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Frenchmen Ordered Out Of Tunisia

PARIS (AP) — Tunisia declared Wednesday France must pull all her troops out of Tunisia before friendly relations can be restored. The Tunisian demand came in the wake of a thumping 339-179 vote of support in the French National Assembly for Premier Felix Gaillard after he defended last Saturday the bombing of the Tunisian border village of Sakiet Sidi Youssef as a "legitimate defense" against Algerian rebels.

In Tunisia, neophyte Tunisian troops blocked 15,000-20,000 French troops in an effort to starve the French out of their former North African colony. The French flew in supplies by helicopter in defiance of the Tunisian blockade. The Tunisian government also threatened a blockade of the big French naval base at Bizerte on the Mediterranean.

Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba told newsmen in Tunis after a meeting with a string of foreign diplomats that his primary goal is the removal of French troops.

"That and that alone can re-establish a climate of friendship cleansed of the remains of colonialism," he said. This apparently will be the Tunisian course before the U.N. Security Council.

Tunisia was expected to ask for a meeting of the council on the bombing, which Tunisia says left 68 dead, 84 wounded and 10 missing.

Boistered by the overwhelming support in the National Assembly the French government rushed to the permanent NATO council in Paris its own report on Saturday's bombing. The step was taken before any other of France's disturbed allies could bring up the incident. Norway had threatened to do so Tuesday.

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MOHAMMAD T. MEHDI, left, director of the Arab Information Center in San Francisco, was guest speaker last night at the annual meeting of the Klamath Falls Chapter of the United Nations Association. The meeting and election of officers was held following a 6:30 dinner at the First Methodist Church. Charles Johnson, right, was reelected president of the local chapter of the UNA. Mrs. Isabelle Brixner will serve as vice president and Mrs. William Barnett as secretary.

Arab Delegate Raps U.S. Inconsistency In KF Talk

Mohammad T. Mehdi, director of the Arab Information Center in San Francisco, speaking before members of the Klamath County Chapter of the United Nations Association, following a dinner meeting last night in the First Methodist Church, said that a better American-Arab understanding is not only to the interest of the two peoples, but is also vital to world peace.

"While Communism is incompatible with the objectives of the Arab National movement, the inconsistency of United States reaction in relation to the stand taken by this country when patriots of Poland were attacked by Russia, and the present French-Tunisian situation, is not conducive to friendly relations between America and the Arab people," Mehdi said.

Continuing the speaker, born in Iraq, who has taught at the University of California, Department of Political Science, said that "Whether the Middle East will go Communist depends not on Moscow, nor the Arab people, but rather on Washington, D.C. He explained that while the Soviet foreign policy is based on a simple rule of common sense, namely first-things-first, American policy is based, oddly enough, on a simplified theory of Marxism.

The Soviets, he continued, recognize that the first demand of the people in the Middle East and other parts of Africa and Asia is to gain political freedom. The United States, however, neglects this most vital aspiration of the people, and insists on the policy that "Economic aid must and will cure all social and political ills. This alone," he said, "without regard for national ambition of the people, will not win the friendship of the Middle East."

Mehdi, American educated, said he and his father are 500 years apart in their thinking, concluded with the statement that "Arab Nationalism is the strongest barrier against Communism. A united, powerful Arab world will be the greatest bulwark against any colonial power and a good friend to America."

The speaker was introduced by

Ike Predicts Halt In Recession Soon

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower expressed confidence Wednesday the economic downturn is about over. He said March should see the start of a rise in employment and "the beginning of the end" of the downturn.

In a statement of concern for those now without jobs, and of confidence in the future, Eisenhower said:

"From the best advice I can get, and on my own study of the facts regularly placed before me, I believe that we have had most of our bad news on the unemployment front.

"I am convinced that we are not facing a prolonged downswing in activity. Every indication is that March will commence to see the start of a pickup in job opportunities. That should mark the beginning of the end of the downturn

in our economy, provided we apply ourselves with confidence to the job ahead."

Eisenhower appended to his statement a summary of steps already taken by the administration with the aim of combating the recession.

He did not set out any new measures, but said that other steps will be taken if it develops that they are needed. In that connection, he noted that from time to time the administration has been engaged "in systematic and comprehensive planning for expansion and modernization of public works and buildings.

"In all these matters of government policy," Eisenhower said, "it is well to remember that with an economy as complex as ours, it is necessary not only to avoid the taking of wrong steps but confidently take the right ones."

The President's objective — to inspire confidence and avert any development of hysteria — was underscored by his decision to record his statement on film for television and theater newscasts. He went before the cameras and microphones shortly after his statement was made public at the White House.

Eisenhower's survey of the economic situation came less than 24 hours after:

The government reported that joblessness last month increased 1,120,000—the biggest monthly rise since the depression of the 1930s—to a total of nearly 4½ million.

Eisenhower followed up swiftly with an announcement that he is asking Congress to authorize a two-billion-dollar program of modernization of post offices and postal services over three to five years.

Secretary of Commerce Weeks has predicted that unemployment will climb to about five million this month and then commence a downward seasonal trend.

— Photo by Kettler

Heavy Rains Cause Floods

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Heavy rains sent two Western Oregon rivers swirling over their banks Wednesday, and all streams in the western part of the state began rising.

There was minor flooding along the Tualatin and Yamhill rivers in the northern Willamette Valley, but other rivers remained within their banks.

A storm from the Pacific Ocean dumped as much as 2½ inches of rain on the Southern Oregon coast, but streams there were able to handle the downpour.

Farther north, 2.72 inches of rain fell at Falls City, in the Coast Range. A number of points had more than an inch, including Summit, west of Corvallis; Dilley, near Forest Grove; Willamina, Beaverton, Detroit, Waterloo and Whiteson, south of Dayton.

Elmer Fisher, river forecaster at Portland, said the Yamhill will climb to about 38 feet at Whiteson and cause flooding of lowlands in the Dayton-Whiteson area.

He also said the Tualatin headwaters filled the channel at Dilley Wednesday morning and lowland flooding could be expected downstream.

Fisher said the storm dumped its heaviest rains on northern California, and flooding could be expected along the Eel River there.

Central Oregon also shared in the downpour, with The Dalles receiving more than three-quarters of an inch and Redmond nearly a half-inch.

Weather Bureau forecasters said there would be a period of respite before another Pacific storm arrives on Friday.

Army Testers Fire Redstone

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The Army fired another Redstone last night. The missile's fiery flight may have solved more of the secrets of space.

Belching orange fire, the bullet-shaped missile blasted off from the test center here at 7:52 p.m. Just 25 seconds later, it vanished into a thick, coal-black overcast.

The test may have helped pave the way for the launching of big satellites and the eventual placing of manned stations in outer space.

Basically a 280-mile ballistic missile, the Redstone is so far advanced the Army says that by midsummer it will be in operational use and can be handled by troops in the field.

As the first stage of the Army's Juniper-C rocket, the Redstone helped blast the 30.8-pound satellite Explorer into space Jan. 31. The Army hopes to use it to launch bigger "moons."

Postal Chief Approves Plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Postmaster General Summerfield backed up President Eisenhower's plan for a two billion dollar postal modernization program Wednesday as a means of "giving the economy a timely stimulus."

At the same time Summerfield said it would create the facilities to handle anticipated 1970 mail volume.

The plan was announced from the White House late Tuesday.

Press secretary James C. Hagerty said "I think it would be fair" to describe the program as part of the administration planning to combat the slump existing in unemployment. He said it would "afford greater job opportunities in every section of the country."

Summerfield appeared before the Senate Post Office Committee to explain the proposal.

The postmaster general devoted much of his statement to urging enactment of a 5-cent rate on non-local letters, which Eisenhower asked in his budget last month.

The 5-cent rate would raise 175 million dollars more annually than the 527 million of new revenue in the administration postal rate increase bill passed by the House last year. This bill, which would raise the rate on all letters to 4 cents from the present 3, is before the Senate committee.



INTERESTED BIDDERS kept notes at the opening of bids for 35 parcels of Klamath Indian allotted lands at Klamath Agency Tuesday, February 11, at 2 p.m. Bids ranged from a low of \$257 for a 10 acre lot to a high of \$38,575 for a 340 acre tract. However, all bids but two were rejected as not meeting the appraisal price.

Food Prices Climb Higher

NEW YORK (AP) — Wholesale food prices, as measured by the Dun & Bradstreet Food Index, moved higher again this week.

At \$6.52 the index compared with \$6.47 a week ago and was back at the 1957-58 high first established in the week ending Jan. 21. The figure is the highest since April 1955. This week's index is 6.4 per cent above the \$6.13 for the similar week a year ago.

The index represents the total cost at wholesale of one pound each of 31 foods in general use.

More than half were higher this week, including flour, wheat, butter, sugar, eggs, potatoes, steers and hogs.

Only three were lower — barley, coffee and raisins.

Buyer Seeks Indian Timber

WASHINGTON (AP) — C. Robert Mathis, Washington, D.C., attorney, said Tuesday a client of his has a "definite and strong interest" in purchasing the Klamath Indian reservation's big Ponderosa pine stands.

He did not identify the client although he said the client is in "a very substantial way" involved in forest industries. He did not say whether these are in the Pacific Northwest.

Mathis said the client is a single corporate entity but added that if the transaction can be arranged, the plan is to set up a new corporation, bringing in other companies and capital.

The existing law calls for an end in 1960 of federal supervision over the Klamath tribe. Hearings on proposals intended to keep the timber stand under sustained yield harvest through federal or private purchase are being conducted by a Senate subcommittee headed by Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore).

Mathis did not comment on last week's tentative appraisal of 122 million dollars as value of the Klamath assets. Undersecretary of Interior Hatfield Chilson gave this estimate to the subcommittee.

He said his client would want to look over the timber, which represented 118 million dollars of the total, before commenting.

Bomber Crash Fatal To Five

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Four Air Force men and a civilian employee were killed when a huge B-52 bomber skidded out of control during a landing Tuesday and plowed into a radio control blockhouse.

The eight-jet air giant assigned to a bomber squadron at Ellsworth Air Base here, demolished the shack and plunged it into flames, killing the two airmen and a civilian worker inside. Two of the plane's crewmen were killed, and four other crew members plus two military passengers escaped with minor injuries.

The dead crewmen were identified as 1st Lt. Kenneth B. Kaeppler of Milwaukee and Capt. John O. Connell Jr. of Chattanooga, Tenn., who escaped a B-36 crash at Denver two years ago.

The other dead were Ronald R. Mitchell, Canton, Ohio, and James F. Ferrell, Williston, N.D., both airmen, and Glen M. Allen of Rapid City, a civilian employee.

The bomber, coming in for a landing from the southeast, was described by an eyewitness as "flying erratically." A light snow was falling.

First Lt. Kenneth B. Kaeppler, killed in the crash of the B-52 bomber at Rapid City, South Dakota, was the husband of a former Klamath Falls Girl, Phyllis Bridge, onetime employee of the Herald and News, who operated a typewriter after leaving here about eight years ago. She was employed on the Roseburg News-Review before going to South Dakota where she married the airman.

A cousin of Mrs. Kaeppler, Mrs. Lloyd Dippold of this city, said that the couple and their baby daughter had planned to return to Utah this fall where the lieutenant was to enter the University of Utah, giving up his planned air career.



HANDLING THE BIDS at the sale of Klamath Indian allotted lands is C. V. Nelson, realty officer at Klamath Agency. Nelson opened, verified and listed the 40 bids that were received. Bids totaling more than \$375,000 were received for the 35 allotments, but only two bids were accepted as being equal to or in excess of the appraised figure. Leroy Geinger, Chiloquin, was one successful bidder at \$4,767 for an approximate 48 acre tract, and Aggie Butler, Chiloquin, the other, bidding \$1,250 for the remaining quarter interest in an 85 acre tract. Next sale which will be the last, Nelson announced, will be held in April.

Morse To Demand Senate Probe Of Federal Agencies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Morse (D-Ore) said Wednesday he will demand a Senate investigation of federal regulatory agencies, on top of a House inquiry now bogged down in an internal row.

He said he is preparing a resolution to set up a special committee for the job.

Morse also said he would turn back files given him by an ousted House member. He said the House can have them back any time it sends somebody for them. He added he had telephoned that advice Tuesday to House Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex.).

Bernard Schwartz, fired as chief counsel for the special House subcommittee looking into affairs of the Federal Communications Commission and five other regulatory agencies, called the papers his "personal working files" Tuesday in disclosing they had been delivered to Morse. He said they could help show that some White House officials "have influenced actions of the regulatory agencies."

For himself, Morse said Wednesday that the files show "the administration is honeycombed with political immorality." Morse made his comment first in an appearance on the NBC television show "Today." Later he talked with Capitol Hill reporters.

Relating how the papers came into his possession, Morse said two newsmen telephoned him after midnight night before last and said they had the records. He said he told them he would

Mouse Meeting

The Klamath County Agent's Office has announced another information meeting regarding the mouse eradication program will be held in the Keno School at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. Specific references will be made regarding local population of mice, baiting procedures and safety precautions. All farmers in the Keno, Worden and Midland districts are urged to attend.

Employers Face Tax Jolt As State's Jobless Mount

SALEM (AP) — Oregon employers, already caught in the throes of a business recession, will get another jolt in April in the form of greatly increased payroll taxes. This became certain Wednesday when the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund fell to 35 million dollars.

Next month it will fall to the "floor" of 31.5 millions, thus putting a flat payroll tax of 2.7 per cent into effect against all employers.

The rates last year ranged from 3 of 1 per cent to 2.7 per cent. The average rate was 1.4 per cent. With the 2.7 per cent rate going into effect, the average payroll tax will be doubled, although some employers will have their tax bill increased nine times.

The commission cited a retail establishment which has been paying \$8,000 a year. Its new bill will be \$72,000.

The commission said there is a possibility that the new rates might remain in effect for the last three-quarters of this year, especially if the heavy drain on the fund continues.

The fund is being drained because of record unemployment benefit payments.

The effect of the flat 2.7 per cent rate will be, at least for three months or as long as it remains in effect, to abolish the experience rating system whereby employers with stable employment get lower rates.

Firms now getting the lowest rates include banks, trust companies, newspapers and department stores. Consequently, they will get the biggest jolt.

The trust fund now is 29 million dollars less than it was a year ago, and less than half what it was a few years ago.

The commission paid out \$6,884,704 last month, an all-time monthly high.

But the commission, feeling that the winter peak has been reached, reported that employment is continuing to rise slightly. More than 12 per cent of insured workers are jobless.

Cold Grips Large Area

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Storms subsided but the season's coldest weather continued today in most areas from the Rockies to the Atlantic Coast.

No immediate general relief from the nearly weeklong cold wave was indicated. However, there was a slight moderation in temperatures in some Southern and Eastern sections yesterday.

Another morning of subzero cold chilled the Great Lakes region of the Northern Plains. A warning trend in the upper Mississippi Valley kept the mercury above zero in most places. But it was cold, with readings close to zero.

One of the lowest early morning marks was 23 degrees below zero at Pellston, Mich.

More freezing weather plagued the Gulf Coast states, excluding Florida, which reported light rain over wide areas.

New York state reported 23 deaths attributed to the stormy cold weather while the toll in other areas in the Eastern half of the country was 33, for a total of 56. Overexertion in snow or auto accidents on icy highways accounted for most of the deaths.

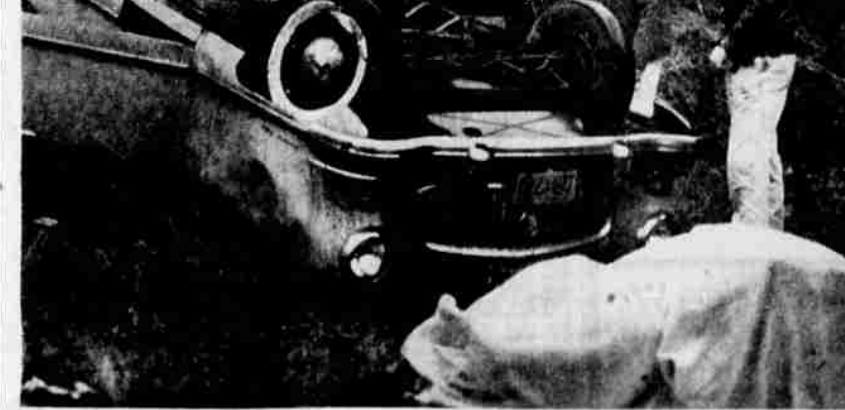
EXHIBIT A

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (UP) — Police here it won't be too difficult to trace a \$5 bill stolen from Charlton L. Pierce.

It bears the autographs of Gov. and Mrs. Leroy Collins, Congressman Bob Sikes, former Govs. Fuller Warren and Millard F. Caldwell, and former Acting Gov. Charley E. Johns.

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TWO FORTUNATE MOTORISTS view their battered automobile after escaping without injuries when it overturned about 15 miles north of Klamath Falls on Highway 97. The car is registered to Don Bresco, 24, left, 21 Crestwood Drive, Daly City, California, but was driven by Bernard McDonough, 27, right, of 2318 25th Avenue, San Francisco, when it hit a slick spot on the pavement and overturned about 3:30 p.m. Tuesday.

— Photo by Kettler

Labor Doubts Fast Recovery

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Organized labor expressed doubt today that the nation's lagging economy will begin recuperating at midyear as President Eisenhower anticipates and called for quick government remedial action.

That was the reaction of President George Meany and other AFL-CIO leaders to the government's announcement in Washington that unemployment jumped beyond 4½ million in January.

Meany forecast that the jobs figure will rise at least another million before the employment situation improves. He called for a stepped-up public works program and other stop-gap measures immediately.

"I think the situation is far worse than the administration seems to feel it is," Meany said. "Frankly, it's getting to the point now where unemployment is creating more unemployment. We need quick action to bolster purchasing power to stop this thing from rolling in a vicious circle."

The AFL-CIO leader pledged to work throughout the country with community groups to develop an effective program to see that no jobless worker or his family will go without food, clothing, shelter or medical care.

At concluding sessions of the 10-day AFL-CIO winter meetings, the union leaders ordered all affiliated unions to insist henceforth on labor contract clauses barring racial discrimination in the nation's factories and other working places.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partly cloudy through Thursday. Low Wednesday night 25-33; high Thursday 43-48.

High yesterday 35
Low last night 29
Precip. last 24 hours 0.18
Since Oct. 1 11.01
Same period last year 7.29
Normal for period 7.51

OUT IN THE COLD

PENSACOLA, Fla. (UP) — Palmer Jarrell has no home, he reported to the sheriff — somebody stole it.

The sheriff's office said Jarrell reported his \$3,500 house trailer was missing and asked officers to look for it.

Airman Said Doing Fine After 72 Hours In Chamber

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — Apparently in excellent health and spirits, Airman Donald G. Farrell neared the halfway mark Wednesday of his week's stay in a tiny sealed cabin on his mythical trip to the moon.

The 25-year-old native of The Bronx, N.Y., passed his 72nd hour in the Air Force's experimental space cabin at Randolph Air Force Base. He is due to reach the halfway mark of his seven-day experiment at 9:35 p.m. (CST) Wednesday night.

Operating on a 14-hour day, Farrell appeared bright and alert when he finished a four-hour work period at 5 a.m. He told observers outside the sealed cabin he was "feeling fine." Then he went "to bed," stretching his six foot frame over an air mattress.

If Farrell stays in the 3-by-5-foot tanklike cubicle until 9:35 a.m. Sunday scientists at the School of Space Medicine here believe he will have proved that a human can live in the crowded cabin of a space rocket for seven days.

Lt. Col. George R. Steinkamp, chief of space medicine, reported that Farrell was doing "exceptionally well." He revealed that the blond six-footer was following a 14-hour sleeping and wakefulness cycle, contrast to the normal 24-hour day and night cycle. Farrell sleeps 4½ hours then has two four-hour work periods with half-hour periods of relaxation sandwiched in between.

During his work periods or relaxation he can request, by flipping a switch, that hi-fi music be piped into the steel cell.

"That's perfectly all right," Steinkamp said. "Kind of like a kid studying better with the radio turned on."

Steinkamp estimated that during Farrell's first full day in the space cabin, on Monday, the recorded music was played for several hours.

"We're watching the effect the music has on this man's work performance during the seven-day period and it might tell us whether background music would prove a means of relaxation in a regular space ship."