

In The
Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Let's take a look today at the nation's corn farmers and what they have just done.

In a special referendum held on Tuesday in 26 corn-growing states, they voted nearly three to one for the END OF ACREAGE CONTROLS and in favor of lower price supports.

By a decisive vote, they said they'd rather grow MORE corn and get less per bushel for it.

That is to say:

After a dozen years of trial, they prefer an economy of plenty to an economy of scarcity.

The expected results:

Feed will be cheaper.

So—

MEAT WILL BE CHEAPER.

Why?

Because, feed being cheaper, more corn belt farmers will feed more hogs and more cattle and more lambs.

That will tend to make meat cheaper.

But, you may say—

Won't that be BAD for the corn farmer?

Not necessarily.

If feed is cheaper, the finished product (which is meat) can be cheaper and the processor (a farmer who is a livestock feeder is also a PROCESSOR) can make the same profit as before. It's the old story that the price of the finished product is governed by the price of the raw materials.

Any way one looks at it (it seems to me) it is better to feed surplus corn to meat animals to make meat for the people to eat than to stash it away in storage cribs to rot.

Charles F. Kettering (known among his associates as Boss Ket) dies. He was one of our GREATS, with a keen and inquiring mind and endowed with boundless energy to carry out the projects his active mind conceived.

In his whole long life, Boss Ket never considered how he could work less and play more. His overriding thought was always to GET AS MUCH DONE AS HE COULD.

The days were always too short for him.

His BIG achievement was the invention and perfection of the self starter for automobiles.

The self starter revolutionized the automobile. Among other things, it MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR WOMEN TO DRIVE. No longer was it necessary to CRANK UP before starting. You just stepped in, slammed the door, turned on the switch, stepped on the starter and you were OFF.

That made everybody want a new automobile—not just because it was prettier than the old one.

Not just because it impressed the neighbors. Because it was immeasurably better and more useful.

Boss Ket came out of it all a multi-millionaire.

By making life better and easier and pleasanter for millions of people, he EARNED every dollar of his millions.

We need more Boss Kets.

Coups Saved Us,
Says Ex-Chief

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Sudan's former Prime Minister says the military coup which ousted him saved his country from a foreign-sponsored move to end Sudanese independence.

The former government chief, Abdullah Khalil, made clear he was accusing President Nasser of trying to annex Sudan to the United Arab Republic.

ARGENTINA INVITES BENSON

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Argentina has invited Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson to attend the famous Palermo Cattle Show near Buenos Aires next June.



A CHRISTMAS AIR invaded the downtown area this week with the hanging of Christmas street decorations. The decorations were hung over the weekend. They're up just in time, too, because the first Friday night Christmas opening is scheduled for Friday, November 28, with city-wide merchants participating. The decorations were purchased by the Klamath Merchants Association and the street and fire departments assisted in hanging them. A new street decoration has been added across South Seventh Street at the post office which proclaims "Merry Christmas" in tinsel and in colored lights.

Smashing Demo Victory Seen In Alaska

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — A smashing Democratic victory in Alaska's election emerged today as returns mounted from the vast territory's 207 precincts.

Democrats led in all major races and were assured of overwhelming control of the 60-member Legislature.

Less than half the estimated total vote of about 40,000 in Tuesday's general election had been reported, but big city precincts still out were considered sure to reinforce the steadily growing Democratic lead.

Republicans still had a chance in the major contest between Democrat Ernest Gruening and Republican Mike Stepovich for one of the new state's two U.S. Senate seats.

Gruening, appointed governor of Alaska for more than 13 years during Democratic administration.

ROK Craft
Nabs Vessel

SEOUL (AP) — The South Korean navy today reported one of its patrol boats captured a North Korean vessel after a running battle in which four Communists were killed.

The battle before dawn Tuesday was the third sea clash between North and South Koreans reported this month.

The Communist boat was believed to have been returning from picking up agents in the southern province of Kyongsang Pukto when the South Korean boat hailed it two miles south of the end of the truce line on land.

The Reds pretended to surrender but began hurling hand grenades as the patrol boat closed in on them. Gunfire was exchanged before the two surviving Reds and their boat were captured.

The navy said its boat suffered no damage.

The Communists captured two South Korean fishing boats carrying 12 men off the east coast Nov. 7. On Nov. 19 a police boat fought a 40-minute battle with a Communist ship carrying a South Korean officer kidnapped near Inchon. The Red boat got away.



E. L. (BOB) BARTLETT



ERNEST GRUENING

was the Republicans' strongest candidate for any major office.

E. L. Bartlett, Alaska's Democratic delegate to Congress for the past 14 years, captured one U.S. Senate seat in a landslide.

Ralph Rivers, Democratic nominee for the single U.S. House seat from Alaska, claimed victory on the basis of the mounting returns.

William Egan, the Democratic choice for governor, was increased

ing his margin in the race for the first elected governor of Alaska.

The closest major race was between Gruening and Stepovich, another former governor, who

had been favored on the basis of a 5,700-vote margin he had posted over Gruening in a primary election three months ago.

With 134 precincts reporting, Bartlett had 13,158 votes in his Senate race against 2,394 for Republican R. E. Robertson and 183 for independent Keith Capper. Gruening had 8,323 against 7,734 for Stepovich. For Alaska's single congressional seat, Democrat

Ralph Rivers had 8,878 votes to 7,241 for Republican Henry Benson.

For governor, Democrat William Egan, 44, a Valdez merchant, had 9,753 votes to 5,994 for Republican John Butrovich Jr., 48, a veteran territorial legislator.

Pre-election forecasts favored Democrats in all but the Stepovich-Gruening race, and Republican campaign efforts were concentrated on hopes of salvaging that one Senate seat.

A sweep in the senatorial contests would give Democrats 64 seats to 34 for Republicans when the 86th Congress convenes in January.

Victory for the Democrats in the congressional race would give the party 283 seats in the House of Representatives to 153 for the GOP.

Washington (AP) — House investigators pushed today their effort to learn whether bribery rumors were deliberately planted to affect the award of a Pittsburgh television channel.

Summoned as witnesses before the House Legislative Oversight Subcommittee were two former officers of Television City, Inc., Earl F. Reed, president, and Lee P. Eckels, secretary.

Television City was one of five applicants for Pittsburgh's TV Channel 4. The channel eventually was awarded to a firm formed by its merger with WCAE, Inc., a Hearst-owned applicant.

Both Reed and Eckels have been named in testimony as sources of the bribery rumors, which have been denied by all concerned.

One rumor was that former Chairman George C. McConaughy of the Federal Communications Commission sought \$50,000 in legal retainers as the price of his vote for Television City in the Channel 4 case. Another was that the rival Hearst interests were offering \$200,000 in retainers.

McConaughy swore they were malicious inventions and that he did not even hear of them until months after he left the FCC. A U.S. grand jury has investigated them without taking action.

Chairman Owen Harris (D-Ark) and other subcommittee members have said the main purpose of the group now is to determine whether the rumors were deliberately invented as a means of pressure on the FCC. The commission long was split 3-3, with McConaughy voting for the Hearst applicant.

The award to the merged firm was made after McConaughy had left the commission.

Under present plans, today's hearings will be the last this year — and perhaps forever — by the special subcommittee.

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Missile Shot
Said Success

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — No. 20 was a big success.

The 63-foot, 55-ton Thor IRBM blasted off its pad at 4:09 a.m. today, five hours behind schedule and 3½ months after its last successful firing.

The last Thor blew up Nov. 25 just 25 seconds after liftoff when the range safety officer at the Cape's control center pressed a remote control button.

The shot this morning was the 20th Thor fired from the Florida missile center.

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West Allies Agree
On Berlin Program

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Dulles said today the Western Allies have reached basic agreement on how to deal with Soviet pressures over Berlin.

Dulles said that he would not rule out the use of force in defense of Western rights of access to the city but that he thought the question was academic because the Communists have not threatened to cut the land, water or air routes.

Dulles said there are at least two possible explanations of why the Soviet Union has not yet made its proposals to end occupation

rights in Berlin although Premier Khrushchev forecast action 16 days ago.

One is that Khrushchev found himself out on a legal limb through failure to consult his lawyers and therefore has had to review his policy.

Another possible reason is that Soviet repudiation of the whole Potsdam agreement of 1945 might destroy the basis of Poland's rights in former German-held territory.

Dulles said the Polish government may have become alarmed over this.

Dulles refused to spell out precisely what steps the Western powers might take in dealing with any challenge by the Communists over Berlin.

At times his carefully phrased answers skirted around areas in which — in line with persistent reports — there may be disagreement among the Allied powers which include West Germany.

The United States has repeatedly declared during the past two weeks that it intends to stand firm on its position as an occupying power in West Berlin, a position shared with Britain and France.

But there have been widespread evidences of disagreement among the Western governments, including the government of West Germany, over the tactics to be followed in carrying out this basic policy.

The United States has been described by qualified officials as ready if necessary to deal with East German representatives at traffic control points. This might be done on the theory that the East Germans would be serving as agents of the Soviets.

The West German government, fearing any action which might be interpreted as a step toward recognition of the Red regime, has objected to the Western powers' dealing with East German officials.

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Challenge Set
If Red Reich
Curbs Traffic

BONN, Germany (AP) — The Western Allies are likely to challenge any East German effort to control their traffic to Berlin by taking to the air, not by trying to force through a ground convoy.

That is the opinion of informed Western sources here. They say any idea of attempting to push an armed convoy through East Germany has been abandoned.

It would be easy for the Communists to thwart a convoy attempt without resorting to arms, the Allies reason. The East Germans would only have to throw some switches, tear up some rails or blow up a few bridges to stop Allied trains or trucks.

All to stop an airlift, the Communists would have to shoot down the planes. And Western officials do not think the Russians want to run that risk of starting World War III.

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