

Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In Moscow this morning Britain's prime minister, Mr. Macmillan, informs Khrushchev's prime minister, Mr. Khrushchev in blunt terms, the dispatches report that "unilateral Russian action in Berlin can only lead to a dangerous situation."

Whereupon—
Mr. Macmillan takes off ALONE on a tourist circuit of Kiev and Leningrad. Mr. Khrushchev, who was to have accompanied him, STAYED HOME. A spokesman explains that it wasn't a peeve with Macmillan that kept Mr. K at home.

It was a BAD TOOTH, the spokesman says.

What's wrong with his tooth?
Let's hope he broke it biting off more than he will be able to chew.

Speaking seriously—
The situation in Berlin is tense because the free enterprise Germans in West Berlin are happier and more prosperous than the communist-ruled Germans in East Berlin and all of East Germany. So the East Germans tend to pour into happier West Berlin.
That's a bitter pill for the communists to swallow.

In Washington this morning, the senate gets a bill proposing special federal aid to communities that are hard hit by competition from FOREIGN IMPORTS.
That suggests a question:
Why are these communities hard hit by foreign competition?

The answer is rather simple:
We're beginning to price ourselves out of the market.

To fix that—
We're proposing to LEVY MORE TAXES TO SPUR MORE INFLATION TO MAKE PRICES HIGHER STILL, and thus price ourselves out of MORE markets.

Does that make sense?
It doesn't seem to.
It sounds too much like trying to lift ourselves by our own boot straps.
Nobody has ever yet been able to make that work.

More on this modern world:
Researchers at Detroit University are going to try to solve the mystery of gravity. They have a grant from the Army Transportation Corps that will enable them to finance the study.

Dr. Donald J. Kennedy, who will direct the project, says: "Everybody knows gravity is a force exerted by large masses, but nobody knows much more than that about it. Scientists are divided on the idea that gravity might turn out to be the result of some type of radiation not yet detected."

Let's hope they don't find a way to TURN OFF the force of gravity. In that event, we'd be floating around in the air even more aimlessly than the politicians who are trying to find a way to turn off the law of supply and demand.

Rail Workers Face Firing

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Striking Mexican rail workers had until noon today to return to work or face dismissal. Two-thirds of the nation's rail system was tied up, but a slight increase in the strike put some key trains back in operation Wednesday night.

The wage strike by many of the country's 70,000 railway workers was the first major domestic crisis for President Adolfo Lopez Mateos since he took office last Dec. 1.

The walkout began at noon Wednesday, affecting 9,150 miles of the 14,000-mile government-owned rail system. The government promptly ruled the walkout illegal and threatened the workers with dismissal if they were not back on the job by noon today.

Some came back, during the afternoon and night. But many said they would not go back to work until they heard from Demetrio Vallejo, head of the railway union.

Vallejo showed no sign of backing down. He said he would seek a federal court injunction against the government ruling that the strike is illegal.

Railway general manager Benjamin Mendez said trains left Mexico City Wednesday night for Guadalajara, Veracruz and Cuernavaca, manned by workers who returned to work and by emergency personnel.

Dulles Plans Job Return

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles' personal secretary said today he is looking forward to resuming his duties.

Miss Phyllis Bernau said that at a birthday party Dulles told her he expects to recover sufficiently from cancer to get back on the job.

Miss Bernau and others of Dulles' immediate office staff gave him a 71st birthday party at Walter Reed Medical Center Wednesday. Dulles is undergoing X-ray treatments there for abdominal cancer. President Eisenhower has said it is up to Dulles to decide after the treatment ends, probably in a week or two—whether he is physically able to carry on.

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State Of Emergency Declared By Rhodesia Prime Minister

SALISBURY, Southern Rhodesia (AP)—Prime Minister Sir Edgar Whitehead declared a state of emergency throughout Southern Rhodesia today and banned the African national party as an illegal organization.

Whitehead acted to prevent the spread to Southern Rhodesia of nationalist unrest in neighboring Nyasaland, which is united with Southern and Northern Rhodesia in the Central African Federation of the British Commonwealth.

Most of the national party officers in Southern Rhodesia were arrested in pre-dawn raids.

There was no immediate word whether similar action would be taken in Nyasaland, where three natives have been killed and more than 50 injured in riots. Nyasaland's capital, Blantyre, is the headquarters of the party chief, Dr. Hastings Banda. A 54-year-old London-educated physician, he returned home a year ago after 40 years of self-imposed exile.

Regulations published in the Southern Rhodesian government gazette empowered the government to prohibit gatherings of more than three people, to control movement of people and supplies to weapons, to impose curfews.

Leader's Idea Wins Approval

WASHINGTON (AP)—A move by National Chairman Meade Alderson to draft a statement of long-range Republican party objectives won support today from GOP members of Congress.

Alderson announced after a conference with President Eisenhower Wednesday the appointment of a 44-member committee to draft a statement of party principles.

The group will be headed by Charles H. Percy, president of the Bell & Howell Co., Chicago.

Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona, chairman of the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee, said "it certainly is worth a try" for party members to attempt to define where they are going.

"We can't get hurt trying this approach and if the members of the committee can come to an agreement on Republican principles it will indicate that the party can do the same," Goldwater said.

Rep. Joseph W. Martin of Massachusetts, former House Republican leader, commented, "It can't do any harm to have a new statement of principles before the 1960 campaign."

"Only time will tell, of course, whether they will have any influence on the campaign," he added.

Alderson said he expects the committee, which meets here March 13-14, to have ready by Sept. 1 a statement covering such topics as civil rights, agriculture, labor, monetary policy and other areas.

"This is an attempt to state what the party ought to be trying to do in the next eight or 10 years," he said.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Cloudy through Friday. Low tonight 24-31. High Friday 30-35.
High yesterday 51
Low last night 22
Precip. last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 3.75
Same period last year 13.15

Northern California—Fair through Friday with little change in temperature. Northerly coastal winds 8-18 miles an hour.

CRATER LAKE

High yesterday 36
Low last night 18
8 a.m. today 19
No new snow
Snow depth 154
Last year 154
Skiing Fair
Highway 62 and road to rim open with icy spots on both, no chains needed. Skies were clear this morning with a few clouds.

Mt. Shasta, Highway 99 and Everett Highway: No chains required with 200 inches of snow at 7,850 feet, 360 inches at 9,200 feet. Skiing good, packed powder. Weather clear.

Mrs. Luce Set For New Post

WASHINGTON (AP)—Clare Boothe Luce, former envoy to Italy, was nominated by President Eisenhower today to be ambassador to Brazil.

In Rio de Janeiro, Mrs. Luce would succeed career diplomat Ellis O. Briggs who will be assigned later to a new post.

Mrs. Luce served as ambassador to Italy from 1953 to 1957. She retired from that post because of ill health.

Mrs. Luce, who will be 56 on April 30, is the wife of Henry Luce, publisher of Time, Life and other magazines.

A Republican, she served in the House of Representatives from Connecticut 1943-47.

A playwright and author, Mrs. Luce's home is at Ridgfield, Conn.

World News In Brief

United Press International
MACMILLAN—Moscow—Macmillan and Khrushchev hold another formal talk today before flying to Kiev and Leningrad on a four-day visit.

BALLET—Moscow—Macmillan and Khrushchev so cool to each other at ballet they stare straight ahead without speaking.

RACKETEER—Washington—Republican members of racketeering committee push for investigation of union political spending.

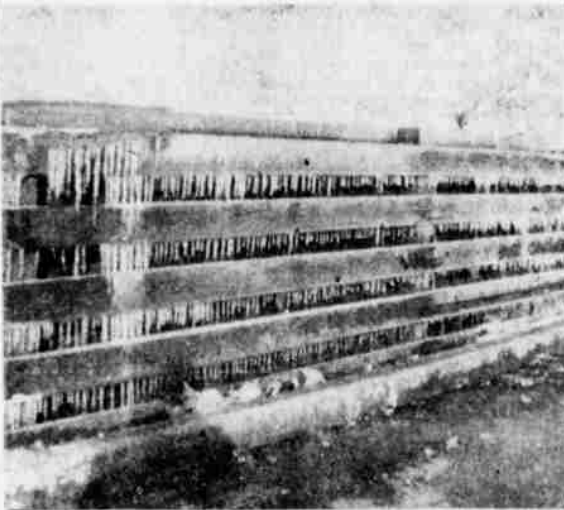
PAINTING—Washington—Post-office Department prepares opinion on whether famous nude paintings fit copy for newspaper ads.

AF Postpones Rocket Launching

VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP)—The Air Force has once again postponed indefinitely launching the Discoverer I satellite it hopes will go into polar orbit.

The two-stage rocket system came within 20 seconds of firing on two different occasions Wednesday. In each case, authorities halted the countdown for undisclosed reasons.

The launch attempt was postponed for technical reasons, the Air Force said.



BOILING WATER has been coming out of a 40-foot well in the front yard of the Frank Hart residence two miles north of Lakeview at the rate of about 100 gallons a minute since late Monday afternoon. Pressure was so great that various attempts to cap the geyser were unsuccessful on Tuesday and Wednesday but much of the flow is being diverted by a big pipe, larger than the casing and the well-driller expected equipment from Portland or San Francisco today to shut off the flow. Pictures show the spout of steam, shooting higher into the air than the famous geyser at nearby Hunters Hot Springs. Low temperatures caused the spray of water to freeze upon contact, producing a heavy coating of ice on wires, trees, shrubs and the fence shown above. The well was drilled to tap, for heating purposes, the hot water strata which flows on to Hunters Lodge and the gusher was the result.

Letter-Writing Campaign Spreads PNW Tax Revolt

RITZVILLE, Wash. (AP)—A "nonpartisan taxpayers' revolt" that started here over a cup of coffee went into its third week today with the letter-writing campaign spreading to the far corners of the state.

An estimated 10,000 or more revolt-inspired form letters have poured in on state legislators in Olympia, and Gov. Albert D. Rosellini's office said he has received 1,358 of them.

In addition, thousands of companion petitions were being circulated, the signers pledging not to ask for additional services from state government and demanding in return that no new tax laws be passed.

"The campaign has exceeded our wildest dreams," said Edward Cross, an attorney who helped start it. "With all the coffee went into its third week today with the letter-writing campaign spreading to the far corners of the state."

It started at a Lions Club meeting in this town of 2,200 on Feb. 11 when Bryson Reinhardt, a Wenatchee, Wash., salesman, made a speech about government and taxes.

"When it was over, some of us got to talking and decided that what we always do—just talk," Cross said. "We agreed to meet for coffee next morning and consider some kind of petition and form letter."

Twenty men showed up, then 40 more joined in, \$300 was collected for printing and a nameless organization was born with an eight-man steering committee headed by Ralph Danekas, a mortician who says he is politically independent.

"It's a completely nonpartisan, grass roots effort," said Cross, a former Republican county prosecutor. The steering committee includes Roy Scott, one-time Democratic county commissioner.

The original goal was to get 1,500 signatures on a "no-new-services, no-new-taxes" petition in the Adams County. Cross said they got 1,150 in three days and the idea "snowballed."

After 500 form letters piled up on his desk, Rosellini, a Democrat, replied with a form letter of his own, asking revolters to be "realistic" and claiming increased taxes are needed to maintain even a minimum of services.

"We weren't convinced," Cross said.

The revolt spread to Spokane, 70 miles away, and Norman Blumhagen, insurance man and chairman there, set a goal of 75,000 signatures. He got city permission to set up booths at four downtown Spokane locations and said his group plans to stay active as a "taxpayers lobby" through 1960.

Letters started coming in to Olympia today from Anacortes and Aberdeen in extreme western Washington. The presidents of both the Young Republican and Young Democratic clubs in Bellingham said they're joining forces to get signatures. Cross said a Seattle campaign will start next week.

Rosellini has proposed increasing the state sales tax from 1.3 to 4 percent and letters or not, some kind of tax increase is expected.

Senate To Mull Housing For Aged

By JAMES C. ANDERSON
SACRAMENTO (UPI)—Legislation calling for a 100 million dollar program to provide low-cost housing for the aged was before the state Senate today.

Sen. Hugh Burns (D-Fresno), president pro tempore of the upper house, introduced bills Wednesday to create a housing program for the aged similar to the successful veterans' farm and home program.

The Cal-Vet program has provided good housing at low cost for veterans ever since World War I and it never has cost the taxpayers a cent.

Burns' program for the aged would split the bond issue three ways. One-third would finance a direct loan program to the aged to purchase privately owned low-cost housing. Another third would be earmarked for non-profit corporations for development of low-cost housing projects and the final share would go to local housing authorities for self-liquidating rental units.

In addition to providing housing, Burns' program calls for development of an integrated recreational plan to go along with the housing. Eligibility would be restricted to persons 60 years of age or more who have resided in California at least five years.

Burns told a news conference that all persons on old age pensions would be eligible to participate in the program if it is adopted by the Legislature.

For those who do not draw pensions, Burns said eligibility requirements would be determined by a state board made up of the governor, treasurer, controller and director of finance.

Under the program, loans for purchase of homes or rents probably would run about \$30.50 a month, based on a 50-year loan at the going rate of state interest plus one-half of one per cent.

Burns explained that if an aged person died before he had completed payments on the loan, the property could only be transferred to another eligible older.

Other developments in the Legislature:
Vehicle code: Highway patrolmen, booking officers and television actors no longer can refer to a drunk as a "502" or a speeder as a "510." Gov. Edmund G. Brown signed a bill into law Wednesday rewriting the entire vehicle code and changing all the section numbers. A drunk driver is covered under section 23.101 instead of 502, a speeder becomes 23.350 instead of 510.
Elections: Republican Sen. John F. McCarthy introduced a bill prohibiting any organization using the name "Republican" or "Democrat" from making pre-primary endorsement of candidates for public office. McCarthy's bill also would change the primary election date from June to the second Tuesday in September.

British-Red Talks End In Stalemate

KIEV, Ukraine (AP)—The Macmillan-Khrushchev talks have ended with neither side "budging an inch," a British spokesman said here today.

The only outstanding business is agreement on a formal communiqué next Monday, the spokesman added.

At the same time he confirmed earlier reports that the British Prime Minister's visit to the Soviet Union came perilously close to ending abruptly two days ago in Moscow as a result of Soviet Premier Khrushchev's Kremlin speech.

These disclosures were made as Macmillan flew here from Moscow, where he had addressed a meeting at the Kremlin.

British sources said he had warned Khrushchev that any attempt to interfere with Western rights in Berlin would be fraught with danger.

Khrushchev had planned to fly to Kiev with Macmillan but the visiting British Prime Minister took off alone. Khrushchev was not even at the Moscow airport to see him off.

A British spokesman said Khrushchev told Macmillan at a meeting in the Kremlin this morning he had a bad tooth and must have it filled.

Diplomats wondered whether this was a diplomatic illness.

The British have made no secret that relations between the two delegations have worsened since Khrushchev's speech on Tuesday in which he virtually rejected Western proposals for a Big Four foreign ministers meeting in Germany.

It became known that Macmillan and Khrushchev have virtually ended their talks on world problems.

The expectation was they would meet formally Monday to draw up a communiqué.

Diplomatic sources said the communiqué likely would touch only slightly on international affairs, and would express agreement in principle to have more trade and more cultural exchanges.

The talks thus appeared to have made little headway in reconciling British and Western policies with those of the Soviet Union.

A-Laboratory Explodes; Two Killed

ALDERMASTON, England (AP)—A violent explosion rocked Britain's big H-bomb research base here today after somebody dropped an explosive charge. Two men were killed and one injured.

Officials announced there was no radioactivity hazard to the staff or the general public.

The explosion set doors and windows rattling in the village of Aldermaston, two miles away, where 300 people live. Fire engines screamed through the village streets. But there was no panic.

"We get used to living close to this thing," said Woodley Thomas, 19, a clerk at the ivy-covered post office.

The British Atomic Energy Commission said the accident occurred as the explosive was being unloaded from a vehicle. The vehicle was destroyed and a fire broke out, damaging a nearby building extensively. The fire was soon put out.

"The explosive was of a conventional type and no radioactive materials were involved," the commission said. "There is no radioactivity hazard to staff or to the general public."

The Aldermaston base lies up a leafy lane near the village and is screened by trees. It houses Britain's biggest hydrogen bomb plant.

Aldermaston is 45 miles west of London.

Two employees of the Los Alamos, N. M., atomic laboratory were killed Tuesday in an explosion of nonradioactive material.

Demos Push Housing Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—House Democrats shrugged off veto warnings today to push toward House action a \$2,075,000 federal housing bill going far beyond President Eisenhower's proposals.

The wide ranging House measure was approved by the Banking Committee late Wednesday over (UPI) Republican efforts to cut it back in line with the administration's more modest \$1,660,000,000 program.

No immediate House vote was in prospect. The measure still must be considered by the House Rules Committee, which has delayed such action in past years.

The bill's impact on the President's budget immediately raised the prospect of a veto. House Democratic leaders professed to have no concern on that point.

They announced they would press for enactment of their bill as a mandate from the voters based on last November's Democratic election gains.

Banking Committee Republicans, outnumbered in unsuccessful attempts to substitute Eisenhower's program, blasted the Democratic-backed housing measure as a "budget busting bill."

They contended its cost was nearer six billion dollars than the \$2,075,000,000 figure put on it by the Democrats.

Titan Treks Said Success

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—The Air Force says it has chalked up two successful test flights in a row with the mighty Titan intercontinental range ballistic missile.

The 90-foot war rocket, newest entry in the U.S. arsenal, roared off Wednesday on a launching covering close to 300 miles. Project officials announced later that the shot appeared to be good all the way.

The latest Titan triumph came three weeks after No. 1 blazed aloft marking the advent of the so-called "second generation" missiles.

Both firings were limited range tests using dummy second stage vehicles loaded with thousands of gallons of water for ballast.

Titan is a 100-ton rocket which the Martin Co. developers say is more versatile and less complex than Atlas, the present ICBM leader. The new weapon reportedly has the potential of covering ranges as high as 9,000 miles, far outstripping the "Big A."

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Paris high fashion houses have seldom been so united and singled-minded about a new style. When the season got under way with small, belted waistlines and a natural silhouette in the Heim, Patou and Cardin shows, the trend was firmly set. Laroche, Balmain, Lanvin, Castillo, Matia and the others fell into step. Still, some experts wondered if Dior's young designer, Yves Saint Laurent would follow.

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Fraud Trial Postponed

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—The Security and Exchange Commission hearing against Reynolds & Co. on charges of "fraud and forgery" has been postponed until April 14.

The hearing met briefly Wednesday and disposed of a few minor matters before examiner Robert N. Hishop adjourned the meeting.

Hishop said that lengthy stipulations in the case are to be completed and filed in the Washington, D.C., headquarters of the SEC before March 16. He explained that they will then become public record and will be served on all interested parties.