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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
This modern world note — from Hamburg, Germany: Worried residents of this big West German city breathed easier today about a lot of mysterious signs that have been chalked on hundreds of houses during the past week or so.

After swamping police and newspapers with phone calls, the residents of Hamburg learned from the authorities that the signs — mostly a cross and an open triangle — were code marks made by a group of salesmen.

The marks mean: "No sense trying to sell here."

Or —

"I've been here before — no use wasting time on this house."

That is to say:

The people of Hamburg have been worrying themselves into a tizzy over something that was really nothing much to worry about.

I wonder if a lot of us over on this side of the water haven't been coming pretty much the same thing.

That brings up something else —

along much the same line. A dispatch on the financial wires this morning says:

"If the ancient Greeks had had a stock market like this one, they'd have had a name for it, possibly something like 'meridomania.' This coined word comes from 'merides,' which is Greek for shares, and 'mani,' a Greek-based word that is defined as insane excitement, madness... characterized by disordered thinking and by impulsive and excessive emotion."

The dispatch goes on:

"And what has induced this state of 'meridomania'? What is the potent that permits emotion to de-throne reason; that places fancy above fact; that substitutes the image for the real?"

Hmmmmmm.

Maybe this is the answer: THE QUICK BUCK MANIA.

History tells us that when every-

body gets to concentrating on getting rich quick reason flies out of the window and foolishness comes in to take its place.

World News

In Brief

CONFERENCE — Washington — Macmillan hopeful of persuading Eisenhower to negotiate with Russia on a European troop pullback.

SOVIET — Moscow — Khrushchev's news conference statements ease pressure of Berlin question; diplomats see three reasons for Khrushchev's change of heart.

ARGU — Washington — High-altitude atomic tests demonstrated possibility of laying radiation trails in space.

Q&A — Washington — Question and answer analysis of results of atomic tests over South Atlantic last September.

KIDNAP — South Charleston, W. Va. — Ex-convict kidnaper tracked down before harm comes to his hostages.

VENUS — Westford, Mass. — Man's first contact with another planet only "fantalizing beginning" of new things in science.

ACCIDENT — Xenia, Ohio — Flag at half-staff on school for eight Girl Scouts and two advisers killed in grade-crossing collision.

SPOTLIGHT — Personality Spotlight — Lewis L. Strauss, nominee for secretary of commerce.

Police Rescue Mother, Three Tots

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP) — A 29-year-old mother and her three children, pawns in an ex-convict's mad scheme against a former cellmate, were rescued by state police after being held captive for 20 hours.

Richard A. Payne, 23, surrendered late Thursday afternoon at a roadblock near Logan, 70 miles south of here, after firing two shots at trailing police. He had planned to use Mrs. John Baldwin and her children as a wedge to force the release of Burton Junior Post from the state penitentiary.

Payne had vowed vengeance — and death — on Post and threatened torture and death to his hostages if his demands were not met. The men were cellmates for 17 months of Payne's seven years in prison.

Payne was released from prison eight days ago. Today, the sallow, heavy-lidded young man faces kidnapping charges. He was held at Kanawha County Jail.

In jail, Payne stuck to his story of why he kidnapped the 29-year-old mother and her children from their home in nearby South Charleston Wednesday night.

He said he wanted them as hostages to force the release of his one-time cellmate, Burton Junior Post, 31, from the penitentiary so that he could kill Post.

Payne said he had planned the kidnapping for about two weeks but didn't select the Baldwins as his victims until he went to their home — three doors away from his house — and gained admittance on the pretext of wanting to use the telephone.

"I regret only that I was caught before I got Post," Payne said.

"I was going to get his head and sort of preserve it. He's an enemy of my existence, and I hate him," he described his feeling toward Post as "hatred at first sight."

Payne gave that motive for the kidnapping in a weird note addressed to Gov. Cecil H. Underwood of West Virginia. The note threatened torture and death to the children if Payne's demand for Post's release was not met.

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AIRMEN (land women) of the Klamath Air Search Rescue Unit at a meeting March 4 elected these officers for 1959. They are, from left, Lee McFarland, ground commander; Orval London, vice president; Les Liston, flight commander; Rex Morehouse, president, and Betty Nickelson, secretary.

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HIDEAWAY IN MOUNTAINS SCENE OF U.S.-BRITISH TALK

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower and British Prime Minister Macmillan began their important talks on Berlin and German problems during a visit today with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles at Walter Reed Army Hospital.

The two leaders and British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd paid a call on the ailing Dulles en route to Camp David in the Maryland mountains where the talks will start in earnest later in the day.

The White House said the visit with Dulles was more than a courtesy call. Presidential Press Secretary James Hagerty said he assumed the half hour or so stop at Walter Reed involved "some preliminary discussions" of the desire for a firm Allied stand in the Berlin crisis.

While the top figures were at Walter Reed, a group of U.S. and British officials left the White House by helicopter for Camp David.

Acting Secretary of State Christian A. Herter led the U.S. delegation in a Marine helicopter, accompanied by John Hay Whitney, U.S. ambassador to Britain; Livingston Merchant, assistant secretary of state for European affairs; and Brig. Gen. Andrew J. Goodpastor, White House staff secretary.

Following in an Army helicopter were the British ambassador, Sir Harold Caccia; Sir Norman Brook, secretary of the British Cabinet; and Sir Frederick Hoyer Millar, permanent undersecretary of the foreign office.

The two helicopters took off from the south grounds of the White House.

A helicopter was waiting at Bethesda, Md., Naval Center for Eisenhower and Macmillan. The

center is in the general area of Walter Reed.

At the rustic retreat in the Catoctin Mountains, about 65 miles from Washington, Eisenhower and Macmillan will plunge into detailed discussions which will keep them occupied through Sunday. Final talks probably will be held at the White House on Monday.

Working with each man were four advisers, including Acting Secretary of State Christian Herter and British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd.

During the conferences, they will seek to reconcile conflicting views and develop a unified viewpoint for negotiating with the U.S.S.R.

Macmillan, arriving from Ottawa, called for the development of "common policies that combine firmness and reasonableness."

Among the chief Allied leaders — Macmillan, Eisenhower, German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and French President Charles de Gaulle — there was no evidence of any disagreement on the need for firmness in facing up to the Soviet challenger over Berlin. The governments of all four have proclaimed their intention to preserve their rights and their access to West Berlin under the threat of Communist blockade and the danger of war.

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Pels Cop Nod; Marshfield Foe Tonight

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Water Chiefs Hail Budget

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SACRAMENTO (UPI) — Southern California water leaders in the Legislature today hailed an 18 million dollar addition to the governor's budget as a major step toward realizing the export of northern water to Southern California.

Sen. John Murdy (R-Santa Ana) inserted the money, with the approval of Gov. Edmund G. Brown, for the acquisition of rights of way for the three aqueducts to transport water from the San Luis reservoir to Southern California.

The money would be for purchase of land for:

—The coastal aqueduct starting at Avenal in Kings County and ending in the Santa Maria River in Santa Barbara County.

—The west aqueduct starting on top of the Tehachapi range near Lebec and terminating in the Castaic River near San Fernando Valley.

—The east aqueduct starting at the Delta pool, running to the proposed San Luis reservoir, through San Joaquin Valley, through Antelope Valley and San Bernardino County and connecting to the San Diego aqueduct in Riverside County near Perris.

Injunction Decision Due

By JAMES C. ANDERSON

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PIKEVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Hold-out coal mine operators and the United Mine Workers of America took a wait-and-see position today with a petition for a strike injunction under court consideration.

Three members of the Pike County Coal Operators Assn. Thursday asked Pike Circuit Court for an injunction against the UMW. Judge James B. Stephenson promised a decision next week.

The operators charged the UMW was "trying to intimidate miners willing to work without a contract."

More than 7,000 men have been idled since March 9, when the UMW fight for a \$2 raise to a \$24.25 a day wage began in Harlan County. The strike spread to Bell, Perry, Pike, Letcher and Knott counties as contracts expired.

Before the injunction was sought, Joseph Lewis, an attorney for a number of mine owners, asked President Eisenhower to send federal troops to eastern Kentucky to maintain order.

The White House acknowledged the telegram but had no comment.

Gov. A. B. Chandler called the request "the height of foolishness." The governor, who had refused operators' request that he send in National Guardsmen, said there have been no reports justifying use of troops.

A-Sub Heads For Pearl

By JAMES C. ANDERSON

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PORTSMOUTH, N.H. (UPI) — The atomic-powered submarine Squalid left her birthplace at Portsmouth Thursday for duty in the Pacific and a new home at Pearl Harbor.

The Squalid, carrying 96 officers and men, is the first nuclear-powered vessel built in New Hampshire.

Cmdr. Shannond D. Cramer of Harrisburg, Pa., and Washington, D.C., is skipper of the submarine.

The route of the Squalid was not announced here but a spokesman at the Navy's submarine base in New London, Conn., said there was no likelihood the submarine would attempt to sail beneath the North Pole.



A FLOWER PLANTING project is being planned for the downtown Dunsmuir fountain known as Belnap Park. Here, Miss Marjorie Young, left, chairman of the chamber of commerce beautification committee explains the project to Herald and News correspondent Peggy Walsh. The Craig View 4-H Club will undertake the project. A possible rock garden at Dunsmuir's main intersection will also be assigned to an organization this month, and flowers or shrubs along the ball park fence is another project under consideration. Letters have been mailed to organizations asking them to accept some beautification project or volunteer a community improvement project of their own.

Utility Tax Bill To Be Pondered

By JAMES C. ANDERSON

United Press International

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — A bill designed to raise 40 million dollars in tax revenue for local governments by taxing currently exempt gas or electric utilities was introduced in the Senate Thursday.

The bill, by Sen. Stephen Teale (D-Westpoint), would allow a city, county, city or district to tax any public agency owning tax exempt gas or electric utilities.

Teale said that at least 40 million dollars in revenue could be raised just by having the publicly owned utilities pay an amount equal to the tax they are now exempt from.

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Senator Seeking More Immigrants

By JAMES C. ANDERSON

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Richard Neuberger (D-Ore.) wants to widen the flow of immigration into the United States.

In a bill introduced Thursday, Neuberger asked that children under 14 adopted by American parents be admitted to this country on a quota free basis.

The bill would provide that, in most cases, one family could bring in no more than two children.

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Antenna Sends, Receives Radar Beam From Eve Star

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WESTFORD, Mass. (AP) — An 84-foot dish antenna here has beamed a radar signal 26 million miles to the planet Venus and caught its echo five minutes later.

The 36-million-mile round trip transmission, in February 1958, consumed 10 cents worth of electricity for a 300-kilowatt signal but analyzing the data that came back today nearly half a billion calculations on an electronic brain at

Massachusetts Institute of Technology. It cost thousands of dollars and months of time.

Scientists at the Lincoln Laboratory project operated by MIT for the Air Force called the feat a notable step in space exploration.

They said it permitted the first measurement with great accuracy of inter-planetary distances — an essential to future navigation in space.

The signal-bouncing off Venus, man's nearest neighbor beyond the moon, was disclosed Thursday night with a telegram from President Eisenhower offering congratulations upon a "notable achievement in our peaceful ventures into outer space."

Radar signals were bounced off the moon 13 years ago. The moon is less than a quarter million miles from the earth.

The Lincoln Laboratory radar on Millstone Hill went into operation in October 1957. The big antenna tracked the first Sputnik and numerous satellites since.

The first radar contact with Venus was made Feb. 16, 1958 and another two days later. The signal was sent out for nearly five minutes. Traveling at 186,000 miles per second, it took approximately 2½ minutes to reach Venus and the same time to bounce back to earth. The scientists estimated the signal that came back had only one ten-millionth of the original power.

Mishap Occurred At 'Early' Age

By JAMES C. ANDERSON

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OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Mrs. John Ann Bonny of Elk City, Okla., was hospitalized for a broken hip. She's back in a hospital here but it's nothing serious this time.

At the age of 103, Mrs. Bonny is voluntarily undergoing a series of tests for heart research at the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.

The broken hip occurred eight years ago — when she was "just a youngster" of 95.



TIGHTER HOUSING SQUEEZE is seen for Dunsmuir's limited rental residences with the granting of highway contracts and the resumption of full scale work on freeway construction. Shown here is one of Dunsmuir's two crowded trailer courts. Awarding of bids on the Castella link of Highway 99 will mean another influx of workers, according to Mark Cassano, resident engineer for the State Highway Department. This is expected to be a rather stable labor force with additional work north and south of Dunsmuir. Francis McEnerney has announced plans to build three new homes, and he and Rex A. Tophigh, contractor, are surveying a new nine-lot subdivision on the Martinez property on Prospect Avenue.