

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In Washington this morning, President Eisenhower addresses the 10th anniversary session of NATO. "NATO" is an acronym for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The North Atlantic Treaty Organization is the alliance of Western nations whose job is to protect the Western free world of life—which is threatened by the communist objective of world conquest.

OUR JOB, he told the members of this 15-nation alliance, is to follow the road that leads to lasting peace and universal justice. If we are to reach our destination, he said, we must:

1. Have the courage to stand fast in the face of menace and of threats.

2. We must be willing to make the sacrifices needed to maintain and improve our collective strength over a long period of time.

3. We must have the perseverance to explore every avenue which offers reasonable hope for just solutions to the issues between ourselves and the Soviet Union.

How are we doing?

Well.

Ike told the NATO nations—

We aren't doing too badly.

For example:

Since the NATO alliance was forged ten years ago, our President said this morning, the communists have made NEITHER POLITICAL NOR MILITARY GAINS IN EUROPE.

Nor, he added, have the military efforts made by these countries stunted in any way their ECONOMIC growth. On the contrary, he hammered home, there has been a NOTABLE INCREASE IN PRODUCTION, TRADE AND LIVING STANDARDS among the NATO peoples during the ten years of NATO's existence. Economic and military strength, he said, have developed hand in hand.

Is that a bad record?

It is NOT.

It is a WONDERFUL record.

A thought in closing:

A lot of gloom has been peddled. We've been told that the Russians are too much for us. That they have us over a barrel. That they are going forward while we're slipping back.

Ike says it isn't so.

And

He is the world's top soldier.

Let's take him at his word.

Let's BELIEVE IN OURSELVES. Let's get back the old American confidence that the bigger they are the harder they fall.

Air Crewmen Feared Dead

ORTING, Wash. (AP)—Trailing a ribbon of flame, an Air Force transport plane carrying four crewmen crashed and exploded five miles from this western Washington town Wednesday night.

Air Force crews could find no survivors.

Witnesses said the four-engine, military version of the civilian DC-6 was alive when it crashed.

There was no explanation of the crash, although Air Force officers said the pilot indicated a collision with a hill.

He had radioed McChord Air Force Base: "We have hit something, or something has hit us."

Col. Robert E. Booth, commander of the 175th Air Transport Group to which the C-118 was attached, said the pilot said he would attempt to make it back to McChord.

But after a brief period of silence, the pilot told the McChord tower: "This is it."

Governor Bounces Back To Push Wage Measure

SACRAMENTO (UPI)—Gov. Edmund G. Brown bounced back today from his first major snubbing by the Legislature to give another push to his weakened minimum wage bill.

Brown's Democratic leaders on the Assembly floor scheduled a drive to put farm workers back under the minimum wage proposal when it appears on the lower house calendar today.

At least three modes of attack, not necessarily related, were planned.

Democratic leaders had amendments prepared which would include farm workers under a minimum wage of 90 cents an hour.

Brown was said to be "aware" of this, but he has backed a \$1 minimum wage for farm workers.

Assemblyman Augustus P. Hawkins (D-Los Angeles), author of the administration bill, said he would fight an amendment, already approved in committee, to take farm workers out altogether.

"I think the votes are there to do it," he said. If this were accomplished, it would leave farm workers in the bill at \$1 an hour minimum.

Other Democratic leaders planned to either have the measure referred back to committee or to have action on it postponed for a week.

The Hawkins bill, sponsored by Brown, was aimed at setting a \$1.25 an hour minimum wage across the board. The Assembly Ways and Means Committee, with

Pawn Broker Says Connie Bought Gun

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (AP)—A pawnshop owner testified today he took Mrs. Minnie B. (Connie) Nicholas on a practice shooting trip with the pearl handled pistol she used later in the killing of wealthy drug executive Forrest Teel.

William Gano said Mrs. Nicholas bought the .25 caliber French revolver July 14, 17 days before Teel was slain in his parked Cadillac after visiting an attractive secretary 14 years younger than the defendant.

Dep. Prosecutor Judson Haggerty carefully drew from Gano the testimony that it requires a separate pull of the trigger to fire each shot from the pistol Mrs. Nicholas bought.

Gano said he fired a couple of shots into a sandbank on the practice trip and then Mrs. Nicholas loaded and fired the pistol under his direction.

The pawnshop owner's testimony was part of the state's attempt to prove Mrs. Nicholas planned Teel's death well in advance.

Mrs. Nicholas contends her small French purse revolver fired accidentally as Teel tried to wrestle it away from her to keep her from killing herself over the breakup of their 15-year illicit romance.

Pierce had testified that all three bullets which hit Teel entered from his right side, slightly to the front. Then Deputy Prosecutor Francis E. Thomson asked for his opinion on Teel's position.

Mrs. Nicholas' three attorneys jumped to their feet with objections before Pierce could answer.

Faulconer sent the jury out while he listened to the objections, then adjourned the trial overnight.

He told both sides to be ready to argue the question at the start of today's session.

Charles W. Symmes, a defense lawyer, said Pierce was qualified as a medical expert only and was being asked for an opinion on a matter of ballistics.

Symmes' father and associate, Frank A. Symmes, said there is a legal principle that "expert testimony should not be received on facts the jury can determine for itself."

Thomson contended that Pierce's observation of the course of the bullets qualified him to testify on the position of both persons at the time the shots were fired.

Other witnesses described finding the dying 54-year-old drug company executive in his car after it careened into a light post as he tried to drive from the scene.

Edna Smith, a school teacher whose apartment was across the hall from that of the new girl friend Teel had been visiting that night, told of hearing sounds of a loud argument and then three shots spaced several seconds apart coming from Teel's car.

The shooting of Teel, an executive vice president of the big drug firm of Eli Lilly & Co., occurred last July 31. Mrs. Nicholas was waiting in Teel's car when he returned to it after an evening in the apartment of his new girl friend, Laura Mowrer.

Fraternity Lads In Big Squeeze

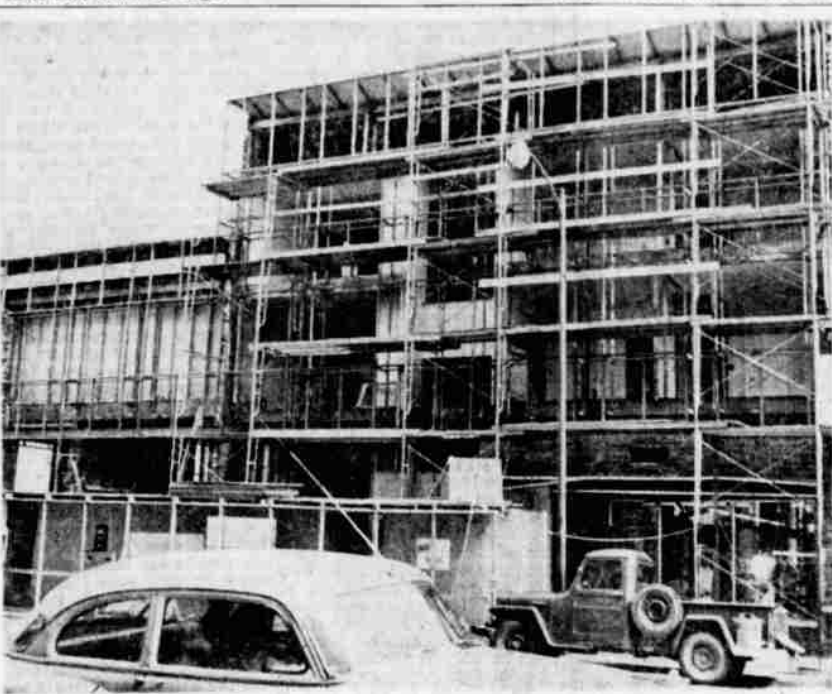
DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—Thirty-four members of Kappa Sigma fraternity at Southern Methodist University squeezed themselves into a small foreign car here for what they said is a world record.

Eleven members got into the trunk and 23 into the body of the small four-door Renault Dauphine sedan after they learned that 18 New York University students had stuffed themselves into a similar vehicle.

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SIXTH AND MAIN STREET corner in downtown Klamath Falls is undergoing complete remodeling and face-lifting which will give First Federal Savings and Loan Association double its present space for service facilities to the community. Architects were Morrison and Howard and the contractor for the \$130,000 job is Brosthorpe Construction Company. In about six weeks this scaffolding will be removed, according to George W. McIntyre, president of First Federal Savings and Loan Association, and the new, modern enameled steel, marble and glass front will be revealed. While the work is going on, Hal's Sport Shop and First Federal are open for business as usual.

GOP Seeking Meeting Site For 1960

WASHINGTON (AP)—Retiring Republican National Chairman Meade Alcorn turned today to the business of helping to pick a 1960 national convention site for his party as speculation over a new party chairman continued.

Alcorn, who notified President Eisenhower Wednesday of his intention to quit, had a date to receive in mid-afternoon a Chicago delegation reportedly ready to raise that city's previous cash offer of \$200,000 for the convention to \$500,000.

Ray C. Bliss, site committee chairman, will join Alcorn for the closed meeting with the Chicago group, now bidding with Philadelphia and New York for the right to play host to the GOP when it nominates a presidential ticket next year.

The site committee will recommend a city and date to the full committee at a meeting here April 10. The full committee will decide the issue the next day.

The same full committee meeting will receive Alcorn's formal resignation as chairman of the national committee. Alcorn told Eisenhower and a news conference Wednesday he has served 26 months in the job without salary at a great financial sacrifice and he must return to his Hartford, Conn., law practice.

Alcorn said he hoped the April 10 committee meeting would elect a successor.

C. J. Martin Services Set

Funeral services for Charles Joseph Martin, 79, member of a pioneer Klamath County family, have been set for 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 4, from O'Hair's Memorial Chapel. The Rev. Robert C. Groves, pastor of the Klamath Falls First Presbyterian Church, will officiate. Final rites and interment will be in the family plot in Linkville Cemetery. He died in his sleep about 6 p.m. last night at the family home, 1953 Lawrence Street, following a long period of ill health.

He was born in July 1879, at Phoenix, Oregon, the son of Thomas and Thirza Martin who brought their family to Klamath County 74 years ago.

His father built the first flour mill in this part of Oregon in Linkville on Link River, which was later moved to the present location of the Chevrolet dealership on South Sixth Street and later to the location at Spring and South Sixth, occupied by the Pacific Supply Cooperative.

Thomas Martin also built the first mill in the town of Merrill. The three sons in the family, Charles, John and Ed, continued operation of the Klamath Falls business for many years, as a flour mill. Charles Martin retired in 1944.

He was a member of Klamath Falls Lodge, No. 1247, BPOE, and of the Klamath Falls Rotary Club.

Survivors include the widow, Lynna, Klamath Falls; a son, Charles Franklin Martin, Eagle Point; a daughter, Mrs. James (Betty) Bee, Ashland; a son, John Bonis, Milwaukee; Dorothy Eberle, Harvey, Ill.; G. R. Richmond, Lima, Ohio; and Blanche Espeland, Centerville, S.D.

The name of one injured passenger was not immediately learned.

Graham Arrives In New Zealand

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP)—Evangelist Billy Graham arrived here from Australia tonight and told a welcoming crowd that world prayer could avert a third world war.

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NY Fogged; Tornadoes Whip Florida

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A heavy crippling fog blanketed the New York area for the second day today, while tornadoes struck two communities in Florida. The high winds killed one person, injured at least nine others and caused damage estimated at more than a million dollars.

At least two lives were lost as a result of the fog blanket in New York, many airliner flights were canceled, and the near-zero visibility anchored the liner Queen Mary—the world's largest—near the exit to New York Harbor. Idlewild Airport was shut down overnight and La Guardia's business was limited to the take-off of eight planes.

Heavy overnight rains in the Jamestown, N.Y., area caused northwestern Pennsylvania tributaries of the Allegheny River to overflow near Warren, Pa., today. Some low-lying areas were flooded, but little damage was reported.

The Florida tornadoes hit Dade City, about 50 miles west of Orlando and Azalea Park, a suburb of Orlando. The sheriff's office reported property damage of one million dollars at Dade City. Many houses and business buildings were damaged or destroyed and power lines were torn down.

One death was reported at Azalea Park and at least seven were injured. The Weather Bureau warned of further possible damaging winds in south and east central Florida, but added that further twisters were not likely.

April showers, meanwhile, continued to splash areas in the eastern third of the nation and the far Northwest, but fair weather prevailed in the major part of the country.

The stormy weather which struck the central plains Tuesday and Wednesday ended. Seven persons were killed and 61 others injured in Texas and Oklahoma, hit by tornadoes and severe thunderstorms.

The biggest precipitation belt during the early morning was from Michigan southward across the Ohio Valley into the southern and southeastern sections of the country. Snow fell in parts of Michigan.

Nearly 1 1/2 inches of rain doused Augusta, Ga., and more than one inch fell in West Palm Beach, Fla., and Detroit.

Safe Drivers Given Break

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Starting May 1 California motorists who have driven three years without accident or traffic conviction will be rewarded with a 20 percent reduction in their car insurance costs.

But drivers with two or more accidents or traffic convictions in the preceding three years will pay more. Five or more accidents or traffic convictions will boost the insurance premium to a maximum of twice the standard rate.

California will be a testing ground for the new safe driver plan announced Wednesday by the National Bureau of Casualty Underwriters and the National Automobile Underwriters Assn.

If the plan works as expected in California, it will be extended into other states with records of licensed drivers comparable to the California Motor Vehicle Department's complete file system.

AF Colonel Bumps GIs; Chief Irked

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y. (UPI)—An airman charged today a "storming" lieutenant