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In The Day's News

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Foreign Affairs:

Averell Harriman, who was our wartime ambassador to Russia, returned last night from a visit to Moscow in the course of which he interviewed Khrushchev. He told reporters who met him at the airport in New York that he hopes a summit conference will be held in the United States so that Mr. K can see this country for himself.

He said:

"I think no one makes an accurate report to Khrushchev on the United States. In any case, you can't learn about the U.S. through someone else's eyes. And . . . Khrushchev is calling the signals for Russian foreign policy."

He added:

"Whenever there are loaded weapons there are dangers. The situation is dangerous and therefore I think Khrushchev should be informed FACE TO FACE of our position."

Let's do a little supposing.

Suppose Mr. K has been told the United States is bluffing. That its people are fat and soft and won't fight the kind of war that will have to be fought if we are to win. Suppose he WANTS to believe that. That he WANTS SO MUCH to believe it that he will believe it.

That would be dangerous. Such a belief might lead him to be so tough in his demands that war would be inevitable. We must remember that Mr. K is Russia. There is no public opinion there to hold him in check.

He is said to be a shrewd observer. If he is a shrewd observer . . . and if he comes here in person and gets a good look at America and Americans . . . I don't believe he will go back to Moscow with the idea that Americans are soft and flabby and incapable of fighting the kind of war that in the end would destroy Russia.

Such a visit as Mr. Harriman suggests could be a good idea.

More foreign affairs:

By a vote of 65 to 26, the senate of the U.S. passes a bill authorizing about 3½ billion dollars in foreign aid. The President had asked about four billion. The house of representatives has already passed a bill approving slightly less than the amount named in the senate bill.

It seems improbable, Washington dispatches indicate, that the house-senate conference committee will make any considerable changes in the senate bill.

Is that good?

Or is it bad?

Let's put it this way: The reduction in the President's request amounts roughly to about 10 percent—or a dime out of each foreign aid dollar. It isn't at all improbable that there is that much WASTE in our foreign aid spending.

That is to say:

By cutting out the waste, we could break even.

Brown Signs Bond Issue

SACRAMENTO (UPI)—Gov. Edmund G. Brown today signed a \$1,750,000,000 bond issue to start construction on one of the largest single water projects in the history of man.

He described it as the "crowning achievement" of the 1959 Legislature.

Final approval of the water bond issue, however, rests with the electorate in 1960. Brown urged voters to listen to arguments on both sides and "listen critically."

"My signature today does not itself insure the creation of the great water program which California so urgently requires," he said.

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It will establish a web of canals to take water from Northern California to the thirsty southland. Brown called it comparable in scope to the Tennessee Valley Authority and the Central Valley Project.

Hopes Diminish As Strike Looms

NEW YORK (AP)—Steel negotiations met for only about an hour today, then recessed their contract talks until Friday.

A joint industry-union statement said only that there would be no afternoon session "because of previous commitments by some of the negotiators." This was not immediately amplified.

With only five days remaining before a steel strike deadline at midnight next Tuesday, the negotiations still were idling along without any signs of progress.

The Steelworkers union turned down a plea by President Eisenhower for an indefinite extension of the two-week strike truce already granted by the union.

David J. McDonald, the union's president, said he could not believe Eisenhower intended that "we negotiate forever" and stressed the midnight July 14 walkout deadline will stand.

In Washington, Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) told the Senate that Eisenhower's appeal for an indefinite extension of steel negotiations without deadline or strike date is "the grossest kind of intervention in collective bargaining."

Humphrey said that although Eisenhower disclaimed taking sides in the crucial steel dispute, the President has "placed himself squarely on the side of the steel companies."

"While professing a hands-off attitude," Humphrey said, "the President told the Steelworkers union that it should capitulate completely to the steel industry."

Negotiations have picked up a bit. Technical experts have been called in for discussions on complicated problems such as incentive pay rates. But there is no word that the industry has made any money offer.

The nation's top dozen steel firms, led by U.S. Steel Corp., have taken a position that any higher wage costs would spur a new round of inflation. They have spurned union argument that industry profits can finance a new pay hike and other contract changes.

Steelworkers now average \$3.10 hourly earnings.

Eisenhower renewed at his Washington news conference Wednesday a plea first made June 27 that both sides continue negotiations indefinitely without any strike until a new contract agreement is reached.

The President said he had not called for the two-week truce, in which the union and companies extended contracts from July 1 through July 14, but wanted an indefinite extension.

McDonald said all labor negotiations must have a terminal point, and the one agreed upon by the industry and union is July 14.

Suits Dropped By SP Railroad

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—Southern Pacific dropped its suits demanding property tax refunds from 51 California counties Wednesday, after Gov. Edmund G. Brown signed a new assessment bill into law.

The company said it was dismissing the suits "because of our confidence that the Board of Equalization will proceed fairly with respect to our assessments under the law as now clarified by the Coolidge bill to improve equalization machinery."

S. P. said Santa Fe, Western Pacific and Union Pacific railroads were also dropping similar suits. The four had filed suits in 51 counties for refund of a portion of their 1958-59 property taxes.

Up the coast at Georgetown, the Spaulding River, paralleling the main street, overflowed and flooded some business places.

Cindy was the first Atlantic storm of the season. Two storms have formed in the Gulf of Mexico. Arlene built up on May 28 and Beulah on June 16.

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AN ART GALLERY will arise soon from a foundation workmen are building in this shady corner of Maple Park. The trim, modern building, designed gratis by Nina Pence, architect, to be built from materials and funds donated by local merchants, citizens and the state Centennial Commission, should be ready for an exhibit early in August. (Story on Page 6-A)

Ex-Solon Disclaims Charge He Accepted Bribe In '54

WASHINGTON (AP)—Former Sen. George H. Bender today denounced as "a damnable lie" implications he got a bribe or favors as chairman of a House committee that dropped charges against Ohio Teamsters Union officials in 1954.

He made his vehement denial after Chairman John L. McClellan (D-Ark.) of the Senate committee probing rackets said a witness implied Wednesday that the charges were dropped after payment of money "to pull strings."

"It's a damnable lie and I resent it," Bender shouted.

"The witness said it, not I," McClellan countered.

"Well," Bender replied, "It was drawn out by your counsel (Robert F.) Kennedy. No charges were dropped. A report was made to Congress on the hearings. No strings were pulled with me."

Bender said Kennedy "is trying to ride herd on me" because Bender took a job from Teamsters President James R. Hoffa to investigate corruption in the union.

"For him (Kennedy) to infer in questions that Sen. Bender received a bribe of \$40,000—I resent it deeply," Bender said, referring to himself in the third person as he often does.

Bender contended that Kennedy had raised the implication in questioning an Ohio Teamsters Union official, James Lukens of Cincinnati.

He had told the committee earlier that he never received any money for political support from the Teamsters in 1954, when he was heading the House investigating group, and also running for the Senate.

Kennedy produced affidavits from two Teamsters officials. They said they heard William Presser, head of the Ohio Conference of Teamsters, announce that the union was shifting its support from Thomas Burke, the Democratic senatorial nominee, to Bender. Bender defeated Burke for the Senate seat of the late Robert A. Taft.

Bender told the committee today that he could produce thousands of affidavits that he received no such "official" support.

"If cats and dogs could vote, I'd shake hands with them," he said at another point, as an indirect reply to reports that he had posed with Presser for photographs after the House subcommittee had denounced Presser.

He denied bottling up the subcommittee's report denouncing Presser, head of the Ohio Conference, to the House government operations committee. He said he assumed the report was pigeonholed by the committee in 1955 when Democrats won control of the House.

Friedman had more than a dozen character witnesses in Oroville for the defense.

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State Championship Rodeo To Be Held July 17, 18

MONTAGUE—The Shasta Valley Stampede, Northern California Championship Rodeo, second biggest event of the year in the Montague area, will be held at Montague Rodeo Grounds on Friday and Saturday evenings, July 17 and 18. The event will be the last big rodeo of the year in Shasta County.

The stampede, sponsored annually by the Shasta Valley Community club, features top stock from the Dick Hemsted Shows, Redding, as well as top cowpokes from all parts of California and Oregon. Cowboys from Texas and Arizona, who have participated in previous years, are expected to make a return appearance.

Stan Conley, rodeo chairman, has received word from several interested cowboys, who have stated they would be on hand again this year. These include Phil Weston, Redding, 1958 champion bronc rider; Bob Jones, Cottonwood and Don Flannagan, Concord, who tied for all-around championship cowboys in 1958.

Cecil Nichols, champion team roping for 1958 will also be present. Others expected include Stan Gomez, Napa; Herb Snell, Redding; Andy Anderson, Santa Rosa and Don Stout, Redding.

Santos Brothers, Walnut Creek; Buster Wolfe, Napa, a professional cowboy who has worked at Madison Square Garden many times; Gaylord Tisdel, Sacramento, 1957 bareback champion; Bob Woolery, Cottonwood; Jim Snipes and Duke Williams, Redding; Basil Brown and Mervin Wilde of Klamath Falls are also expected to be present.

One of the top features, will be the cutting horse contest, and Mary Harbison, president of the Pacific Coast Cutting Horse Contest, has already announced her intention to be present.

An added feature this year will be the girl's barrel races, with a \$50 purse, entry fees to be added. Montague and Yreka merchants are again sponsoring the \$100 gold and silver trophy belt buckles, which are to be presented to all first place winners of each event.

Saturday morning, July 18, a buckaroo breakfast will be served in front of the Montague Hotel by the Montague Lancers, from 7:30 to 11. The Lancers will also perform their intricate drills on both nights of the show.

The weekend events will be climaxed by a rodeo dance Saturday night at the Montague Auditorium.

Disaster Vessel Was Overloaded

HADERSLEV, Denmark (AP)—The Danish Shipping Inspection Board said today the pleasure boat Damende was "loaded far beyond her capacity" when she exploded and burned, killing at least 53 persons.

As frogmen searched for more bodies in the waters of a park lake where the disaster struck Wednesday the government agency in its first findings said the 45-foot excursion boat carried only 37 lifebelts.

The agency said the Damende's capacity limit recently was reduced to 35 from its original limit of 75. Officials believe at least 94 passengers were aboard.

A gasoline line used to connect the Damende's engine with a reserve tank was found in the wreckage. The agency said this was a makeshift hookup and that some gasoline may have seeped and started the fire.

There was no comment from the skipper-owner of the boat. He was in a hospital, critically burned.

Panic was blamed for increasing the death toll among the gay picnickers returning from an outing at this southern Denmark resort.

Some victims died in water so shallow that adults could have walked ashore.

Police said many of the victims were children and elderly women, who had come to the resort for a day in the sun.

Fourteen of the survivors were hospitalized with burns. Some, including Capt. Hans Riistofte, were in critical condition.

Survivors said Capt. Riistofte tried vainly to calm the passengers and reach the lifebelts. While flames shot out of the engine room the panicky crowd beat him back, and he returned to the wheel.

Some foreign tourists were among the passengers. But there was no indication that any Americans were among the passengers.

Police said there may have been more than 90 persons aboard. They appealed to all survivors who had not reported in to do so.

Riistofte and a ticket collector were believed the only crew of the small boat, which carried picnic parties along the wooded shores of Haderslev Park Lake in this quiet South Jutland resort 30 miles north of the German border.

It was Denmark's second maritime disaster within six months and the second disastrous fire in Scandinavia in three weeks.

In January the Danish passenger-cargo liner Hans Hedtoft hit an iceberg south of Greenland and vanished without a trace. Ninety-five persons perished.

On June 23 fire swept a tourist hotel in Stalheim, Norway, killing 25 persons.

PUTNAM, Conn. (AP)—Fifteen Connecticut motorists who feared all was lost when it was discovered they had innocently purchased stolen automobiles are singing the blues no longer.

They have bought their cars for one dollar each from General Motors Corp.

The 15 had purchased the vehicles thinking they were factory delivered but it was subsequently learned the autos had been stolen from Massachusetts dealers.

Police said a Pomfret Landing auto dealer—Charles Griffin—admitted stealing the autos. Griffin is awaiting sentencing by U.S. District Court at Hartford on 16 counts of interstate transportation of stolen vehicles.

A General Motors spokesman said that insurance companies paid off GM claims for the stolen cars, thus the dollar sales was originated to return the cars to their purchasers. The cars had been impounded by police.

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Weather

Northern California — Fair through Friday but increasing fog on the coast. Possible thundershowers in the southern Sierras Friday. Slightly warmer inland tonight. Northerly to northwesterly coastal winds 10-22 miles an hour.

Klamath Falls and vicinity — Fair and warm through Friday. Low tonight 50-55; high Friday 85-90.

High yesterday 83
Low last night 50
Precip. last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 5.82
Same period last year 19.93

Prosecution To Rest Case

OROVILLE, Calif. (AP)—The prosecution expected to rest its case today in the second trial of William A. Cameron, charged with the mutilation slaying of Mrs. Vivian Malone.

The first trial ended in a hung jury.

Dist. Atty. C. Keith Lyde Wednesday played three tape recordings he said were confessions made by the 22-year-old Chico State College student from Yreka.

One recording was made by Chico police the night of the Dec. 22 slaying. The second was made at the Criminal Identification Office in Sacramento and the third at DeWitt State Hospital.

Defense Attorney Leo Friedman challenged the recordings. He contended that Cameron was drunk when the first one was taken and that the second contained police suggestions. All three, he said, showed Cameron was confused and was induced to incriminate himself.

Friedman had more than a dozen character witnesses in Oroville for the defense.

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NO COMICS
The comic page has been omitted today because of a delay in last delivery. However, tomorrow's edition will carry two comic pages.

Many Witness Huge Parade

MOUNT SHASTA—Reports from here say that inhabitants of this Northern California community witnessed the longest Fourth of July parade in the history of the town—a vivid one and one-half miles of multicolored floats and other entries.

The holiday celebration was given added impetus by the presence of Mount Shasta's own Miss California, 19-year-old Terry Lynn Huntington, a fifth generation Mount Shasta resident.

She refused an invitation to appear in Los Angeles before over 100,000 spectators who crowded the giant coliseum to view the lavish Fourth of July pageant.

"The pull of home was too much for me," she said.

Mount Shasta citizens expressed their jubilation by honoring her with a full schedule of events.

Immediately after the parade, she was guest of honor at luncheon in the Black Butte Inn, attended by officials and dignitaries from the entire county. A press reception followed the luncheon.



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BRONC AND BULL RIDER, Dewey "Peewee" Spencer, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Spencer, Montague, will be a contestant at the Shasta Valley Stampede in Montague, Friday and Saturday nights, July 17 and 18.