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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

From Washington:

"Representatives of the U.S.A. and four of its allies will meet here Monday to begin mapping strategy for critical disarmament negotiations with Russia . . . . . .

"The Western preparations took on a NEW SENSE OF URGENCY in the wake of Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's announcement Thursday that Russia has NOW ACHIEVED SUCH MISSILE MIGHT that he plans to cut his armed manpower by a third."

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What does he mean by that?

Well—

Presumably—

He is saying that if ANYBODY starts anything Russia will blow him to Kingdom Come with a mass of nuclear-armed missiles and what have you.

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What does that amount to?

It amounts to a threat of MASSIVE RETALIATION.

What's massive retaliation?

It has been our ace in the hole for a dozen years.

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So what?

I'd say it sounds very much like copy-catting us. Copy-catting is imitation. There is an ancient and discerning proverb to the effect that IMITATION IS THE SINCEREST FLATTERY.

If Mr. K is imitating us, it means that he thinks we've got something worth imitating and fears that if he doesn't imitate us he'll come out in the short end of the horn.

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From flattery by imitation, Mr. K goes to veiled threats. He mutters in his beard about a FANTASTIC new Russian weapon that is so horrible that he can't bring himself to mention it.

What is it?

One of our atomic scientists thinks it might be "an orbital H-bomb" that could be stationed in space and fired or recalled by the Russkies on command.

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When you come right down to it, it sounds a trifle like the comeback of the small boy who doesn't want to tackle the tough-looking other small boy and ends up by muttering that MY POP CAN LICK YOUR POP.

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Suppose the Russkies do have in the works an "orbital H-bomb" that can be fired by pushing an electronic jigger.

Instead of shivering in our boots and running for the brush, let's devise an orbital contraption that can chase the Russky contraption down and finish it off like a bat finishes off a mosquito.

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Let's adopt the motto of Sir Lancelot: "Our strength is as the strength of ten because our hearts are pure" and then buttress it with another and ruggeder motto that goes like this: THE BIGGER THEY ARE THE HARDER THEY FALL.

Then—

Let's quit squabbling among ourselves. Let's agree on what ought to be done and then DO IT.

Quakes Rock Peru Again

LIMA, Peru (AP)—Sharp earthquakes rocked Peru again today. Reports from Ica Province in the south said four people were injured when a building collapsed.

The shocks were relatively light here in the capital. They lasted for about two hours before dawn. Some residents spent the night in the streets.

Strong earth shocks were felt at Ancon, a Pacific beach resort 25 miles north of Lima. A near-tidal wave rolled in, and the spray splashed almost as high as the top of some 10-story buildings on the oceanfront.

The quake was also strong in Nazca, badly damaged by a quake in 1942.

There was no immediate word from Arequipa, a center of death and destruction this week. Communications with that southern city were still spotty because of quake damage.

Last reports said 26 bodies had been recovered before another wave of shocks tumbled more homes and buildings and disrupted communications.

British Walker Fights Icy Wind

CLASHMORE, Scotland (AP)—Dr. Barbara Moore, Britain's premier pedestrian, battled through an icy wind and deep snowdrifts today on her 1,000-mile walk from one end of Britain to the other.

After two days of walking across the snowy hills of northern Scotland, she had covered only 80 miles.

The 56-year-old dietician is far behind schedule, for she plans to complete the journey—from John O'Groats, at the northern tip of Scotland, to Land's End, in the southwest extremity of England—in 10 to 12 days.

University Of Oregon Prexy Gets Similar Minnesota Post

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Dr. O. Meredith Wilson, named president of the University of Minnesota Thursday, was en route here by plane today. He comes home to wind up six years as president of the University of Oregon.

Wilson's appointment was announced at a news conference in Minneapolis after he appeared before the university's board of regents. He was named from among 150 candidates.

O. MEREDITH WILSON

"I have been attached to and happy at the University of Oregon, and I leave it with considerable sorrow," Wilson said.

Wilson, 50, said he would not "transplant Oregon to the Minnesota campus," but he felt some of his experience at Oregon "may betray itself" at Minnesota. His appointment is effective July 1.

Mrs. Wilson appeared briefly with her husband. She said she was very pleased with the appointment and that they had a "beautiful drive" to the Minnesota campus from the airport past their future home.

At Portland, Henry F. Cabell, president of the Oregon Board of Higher Education, said procedures for choosing a successor to Wilson would be established at its Portland meeting Jan. 25-26.

"I greatly regret his departure. He has done a wonderful job in six years at the university," Cabell said. "But he is too big a man to hold forever, and Minnesota is bigger. I wish him well."

Cabell said the process of choosing a successor cannot be rushed. He said if a man is not named by next fall then an interim administrator will be appointed until a new president is named.

Wilson will be the ninth man to head the University of Minnesota since its founding. He was Oregon's ninth president also. At Minnesota he will succeed Dr. J. L. Morrill, who retires June 1 after 15 years as president.

Wilson was graduated from Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, and received his doctorate at the University of California. He also did advanced study at the University of Heidelberg, Germany, and at the University of London, where he acquired background for his major field — American colonial history.

A Mormon, Wilson neither drinks or smokes. He has six children.

At Minnesota he will get a salary of $27,500 yearly, $3,500 less than retiring President Morrill. At Oregon he received $20,000 annually.

He also will get a $3,000 annual expense account, a residence, a car, a chauffeur and a housekeeper. He will be the first to occupy Eastcliff, a white Georgian mansion overlooking the Mississippi River donated by a benefactor of the university.

Weather

Klamath Falls and vicinity — Clearing tonight and fair Saturday. Colder tonight with a low of zero to 10 below; high Saturday 27-35.

High yesterday	33
Low last night	10
Precip. last 24 hours	0.02
Since Oct. 1	1.66
Same period last year	2.20
Low in area, Chiloquin	-1

Northern California — Fair through Saturday. Colder tonight. Northerly to northwesterly coastal winds 15-28 miles an hour.

CRATER LAKE

High yesterday	22
Low last night night	5
8 a.m. today	6
New snow	trace
Snow depth	55
Last year	33
Skiing	powder

Chains are advised for travel over Highway 62 and required from Annie Springs to the rim. Snow on both the advanced and intermediate trails is deep powder and a little slow today but should be well packed for weekend skiing. Trails are about 1½ miles in length. The warming hut will be open Saturday and Sunday, weather permitting.

TOMAHAWK

Skiing expected to be good this weekend at Tomahawk Ski Bowl, approximately 24 miles northwest of Klamath Falls on Lake of the Woods Road. The lounge will be open and food available.

WARNER CANYON

There is good skiing at Warner Canyon ski area near Lakeview. Warming hut and snack bar will be open Saturday and Sunday.

GOOD MEMORY

SARASOTA, Fla. (UPI)—Detectives hunting for the thief who stole six cases of beer questioned the city dump garbageman who remembered picking up a lot of empty beer cans at the home of Mrs. Jo Ella Behn, 40.

Officers said they found the unconsumed portion of the stolen beer in Mrs. Behn's home and arrested her.

Red Tests Now Ready

HONOLULU (UPI) — The deadline arrived today for the test firing of super long-range Russian rockets into the Pacific and civilian planes and ships gave a wide berth to a 45,000 square mile area 1,000 miles southwest of Hawaii.

The Kremlin announced plans to launch an unspecified number of rockets into the Marshall and Johnston Island area — favorite region of U.S. atomic and hydrogen bomb tests — during the Jan. 15-Feb. 15 period.

Three electronic - equipped Russian missile - tracking vessels, shadowed by the U.S. Navy, already had reached the scene, giving rise to speculation the tests would begin any minute. But there was no indication from Moscow the tests would actually begin today.

Flying Squads Of Police Round Up 8 Fellow Officers

CHICAGO (UPI) — Flying squads of police rounded up eight fellow officers in swift, predawn raids today and booked them on burglary charges in what authorities said may develop into a major police force scandal.

Police officials said the raids, staged in secrecy reminiscent of the quickie roundups of Chicago's gang war years, turned up four patrol wagon loads of stolen goods—enough to fill two rooms at the state's attorney's office.

The roundup was launched on the tip of a burglary suspect who charged that the eight policemen acted as fences for a gang of thieves.

First Assistant State's Attorney Frank Ferlic said a "goodly" number of other policemen were believed involved. Some reports said the number might go as high as 40. But only eight had been seized.

Police Commissioner Timothy J. O'Connor immediately suspended the arrested policemen from the force and they were booked on burglary charges by Deputy Chief of Detectives Howard Pierson.

Pierson said the policemen probably would be brought into court Saturday. They were subpenaed to appear Monday before the Cook County Grand Jury.

The suspects were taken to the swank Union League Club, which once served as headquarters for the "Secret Six" anticrime committee that functioned in the prohibition era, and questioned there by Ferlic and his chief investigator, Paul Newey.

The investigation, one of the biggest scandals to hit the Chicago police force in recent years, started with a burglar awaiting trial on charges of theft.

The suspect, whose name was not revealed, threatened with a 10-year to life sentence, told police he would cooperate for a lighter sentence by "breaking the town wide open."

ED SPLOYD
... $42,000 to Boys' Town

Boys' Town Willed Estate Of Klamath Falls Bachelor

By TOM STIMMEL

Ed Sployd was a quiet, withdrawn man who never married. He spent his days at common labor. He spent evenings reading in his room at the Baldwin Hotel, or watching TV in the lobby.

Few people knew him well. Perhaps he was closest to two cocker spaniels belonging to his landlady, because he walked with them regularly in the park beside Lake Ewauna and he carried chocolates for them in his pocket.

IN FACT Ed and the dogs had padded through the snow that morning just before Christmas — an hour or two before Ed suffered a heart attack.

Shortly before noon on December 20 Eugene (Ed) Sployd died, at 66. His death was noticed only by the few friends he had taken unto himself—and perhaps by the dogs, because one of Ed's hotel neighbors said the dogs howled late that afternoon "in a way I've never heard before."

Ed left no relatives, no property, and no possessions but the clothes, books, and personal papers in the hotel room he had occupied for three years.

He had one thing more, but only two or three persons knew of this until his will was probated in circuit court this week: In a branch of the Crocker-Anglo National Bank in Sacramento, Ed Sployd maintained a savings account. He willed it to Boys' Town. The amount was $42,229.

ONE PERSON who knew the secret was Mrs. Vera Jones, whose family has operated the Baldwin Hotel for years. "Ed investigated all the agencies he could find," she said. "He decided on Father Flanagan's Boys' Town in Nebraska. He told me that."

One day in December 1958 Ed asked Mrs. Jones to accompany him to a lawyer's office. They talked with Attorney Joseph O'Neill, and the will was drawn.

"Ed did common labor all his life," Mrs. Jones said. "This money came from common labor."

Mrs. Jones spoke quietly and warmly of the man who had been her friend and had confided in her as much as he had confided in anyone.

HE HAD COME from Maine many years ago, she said. He had worked in California and in Idaho—and other places too, she supposed—and had been with the giant Morrison-Knudsen construction firm when it was starting. Here he had helped build the Johns-Manville plant, and had worked briefly for Copco.

Ed dressed well, Mrs. Jones recalled warmly, and he did not deprive himself of what he needed. His tastes were inexpensive. He liked good literature, and he liked science. "Most of his conversations were 'yes' and 'no'."

"Someone, at some time in his life, must have hurt him badly."

If Ed Sployd had been hurt badly, he had not been hurt bitterly. He left that message in his will.

Arctic Drama Nearing End

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP)—An Arctic drama which began with a small crack in an ice floe eight days ago neared its conclusion today.

A C130 transport plane evacuated eight men late Thursday night from Station Charley, a crumbling mass of ice floating in the Arctic Ocean 440 miles northwest of Barrow, Alaska, and the remaining four men were to be brought out early today.

In all, twelve men were evacuated Thursday.

The Air Force earlier had flown the others in the original complement of some 30 civilian scientists and military personnel off the floe.

The camp was the base for a close study of the depths and currents of the Arctic Ocean. The scientists and military personnel had been on the floe since last May.

Ice Storm Snags Traffic In New York

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

An ice storm tied up traffic and closed schools in some areas in New York State today, while wintry winds, accompanied by snow and cold whistled into the Midwest.

The ice storm swept through the south central section of New York, including the Hudson and Mohawk valleys and northward. Two persons were killed when an automobile skidded on an icy road near Syracuse.

Forecasters predicted 4 to 8 inches of snow, or more, for the eastern half of New York state by nightfall.

Connecticut reported a freezing rain with icy highways. Many traffic accidents due to skidding vehicles were reported. Light snow by late afternoon or early evening was forecast for Maine.

Snow storms and freezing rains closed some schools in Michigan for the second time in a week. Saginaw ordered all schools closed at noon today, while many rural schools were closed.

The Upper Peninsula of Michigan recorded a 17-degree drop to 18 above. Planes were grounded at Flint, Muskegon and Saginaw.

Cold spots across the nation were numerous, including Devils Lake, North Dakota's 15 below zero and Alamosa, Colorado's 11 below.

Thirty vehicles collided in a series of accidents on the Jersey turnpike between Newark and New York today. Six persons were injured and north-and-south commuter traffic was snarled.

And, in southern Wisconsin a sneak snowstorm blocked many roads. About 5 inches of snow fell in Milwaukee. Motorists were cautioned to remain off the streets. No traffic moved in Janesville, Wis., and roads south of Madison were blocked.

A cold wave moved into Iowa in the wake of a snowstorm which practically paralyzed highway travel in some sections. Northerly winds up to 50 miles an hour whipped snow into drifts and created near-blizzard conditions in some areas, especially in the west central portions of Iowa. The greatest amount of new snow reported was 12 inches at Fort Dodge and 10 inches at Dubuque.

Many schools in scattered areas of Iowa were closed today. Forecasters said Saturday morning's temperature readings were expected to plunge to 15 below zero in northwestern Iowa.

Metal Repairman To Fix 'Big Ben'

LONDON (AP)—For 100 years London's famed Big Ben has chimed out the hours with a resounding "boi-oi-oing."

Now two British metal repairmen have offered to mend a crack in the 13½-ton bell "as a patriotic duty" without removing it from atop its tower.

They claim that would make it sound as it should—just a simple "boing."

A spokesman for the Ministry of Works said "We shall consider the offer, of course, but boi-oi-oing is a sound the world has got used to. The crack does not affect the safety of the bell."

Airline Passenger Said Responsible For Recent Blast

WASHINGTON (AP) — Blaming a suicide bomb for a Jan. 6 airliner crash which killed 34 persons, Sen. A. S. Mike Monroney (D-Okla) said today new laws may be needed to protect against such acts.

He said the evidence is very strong that a passenger bent on suicide caused the disaster.

The FBI reportedly moved into the case Thursday as the story was unfolded before the Senate aviation subcommittee headed by Monroney.

The subcommittee heard testimony that insurance totaling nearly $900,000 had been issued since last April on the life of one of the crash victims.

He was named as Julian Andrew Frank, 32-year-old Westport, Conn., lawyer. He died with 33 others when a National Airlines plane plunged to earth near Bolivia, N.C., while en route from New York to Miami.

Oscar Bakke, chief of the Civil Aeronautics Board's safety division, testified about the insurance. Bakke also described other evidence found by CAB investigators which Monroney said made clear the grim story of what had happened.

"I am convinced the explosion of a bomb of some sort was the cause of this disaster," Monroney announced.

"It seems pretty pat that this bomb was carried into the washroom in the plane and set off deliberately.

"The evidence is very strong that it was a case of suicide by bombing."

Bakke made no such direct statement, saying the CAB is reserving an official verdict until further investigation is completed. But he said some of the evidence points to a possible bomb explosion and said if that was the case, "it will be discovered and the cause precisely established."

Mystery had shrouded exact cause of the disaster since the plane literally fell apart in the air and plunged to earth.

Bodies of most of the victims—the last was found Thursday—were located in the vicinity of Bolivia, N.C.

Frank's body was found last Saturday 16 miles away, on the beach near Ft. Fisher, N.C., with some of the wreckage. Bakke said Frank could have been blown through the side of the plane by an explosion.

Bakke said Frank's body had been deeply pierced by metal and wood fragments, and had been mutilated in a manner far different from the injuries suffered by all of the other victims. Such piercing of the body with flying fragments frequently occurs in explosion.

Seven of the passengers were wearing life belts when their bodies were found, Bakke said, adding the plane could have traveled 18 to 20 miles before disintegrating.

Bakke theorized that a blast may have knocked out the plane's radio, and that it started disintegrating and crashed as the pilot was trying frantically in the darkness for a place to land.

A small blue fabric bag, its bottom violently torn out, was viewed by Bakke and Monroney as key evidence in their joint inquiry. Monroney said the bag may have contained the bomb.

Bakke said merely that the bag had been found, and that it looked like one Frank had carried aboard the aircraft. Bakke said it was reported as luggage carried by Frank that weighed 20 pounds.

Frank was married to the former Janet Wagner, a top photographer's model who formerly lived in Galesbury, Ill. They had two children, Andrew, 2 and Ellen, 4. They moved to Connecticut about five years ago from New

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New Outbreak Of Asia Flu Hits Nation

By United Press International

Fresh outbreaks of Asian flu swelled across the nation today, causing high absenteeism from schools, jobs and in the entertainment industry.

The Asian bug, which as a wide-eyed foreigner to U.S. shores two years ago caused scores of deaths and laid millions on their backs for a few days, was not nearly as widespread as in 1957.

But it had caused a "low grade epidemic" in Southern California and threatened serious outbreaks in the Detroit area, where anti-flu vaccines were running low.

Some states reported a higher than normal incidence of influenza-type cases, and across the country the damp, cold season was taking a heavy toll of school children, teachers and civic officials.

An estimated half-million Los Angeles area residents were stricken with Asian flu and other viruses. Dr. Malcolm Merrill, state health officer, identified the disease as Asian influenza, but county health officer Roy O. Gilbert said half a dozen viruses probably were involved.

Actors, actresses, crew members and even producer-director Alfred Hitchcock were laid low with bloodshot eyes and fevers. Work on more than five TV shows and Hitchcock's movie, "Psycho," was delayed or postponed by flu attacks.

In the Detroit area, Albert Pisa, president of the Detroit Board of Health, said doctors were ordering about five times as much vaccine as a short time ago and supplies were running low.

Detroit's city-county health director, Dr. Joseph Milner, said teachers have been absent from school at double the normal rate. A spot check indicated that factory absenteeism was 2 per cent above normal. Milner said 40,000 persons in the Detroit area were stricken with some type of flu.

The first two cases of Asian flu were reported in Iowa Thursday. State officials said large numbers of people were suffering from an unidentified virus in the Davenport area and believed the flu was spreading in Iowa.

Thousands were ill in a Texas flu outbreak, but state health department official Dr. Howard E. Smith said the illness was at "status quo."

It Could

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (UPI) — The state tried to get Lorenzo McCall, 36, to testify against Boyd Mahan, 25, in a narcotics case.

Both McCall and Mahan are accused of selling marijuana to an undercover agent. Mahan is being tried first.

McCall had heard of the Fifth Amendment, and 20 times on the witness stand Thursday he invoked it with these words:

"I refuse to testify on the grounds that it might trend to intimidate me."

BRUTAL TEMPERATURES, splashing water, and what we suppose is centrifugal force combined to create this frozen sunburst on the hubcap of a bus parked on Main Street. Art Rickbeil spotted the phenomenon one chilly morning, and Don Kettler got the picture.

FCC Cites Four Big Firms For Misleading Advertising

WASHINGTON (AP) — Those drops of moisture you might have seen described as "flavor gems" in television margarine commercials are nothing more than a sprinkled-on liquid, says the Federal Trade Commission.

"Sandpaper" being shaved in a shaving cream commercial is a piece of glass or plastic to which sand has been applied, the commission says.

The tired-looking ham wrapped in a competing foil looked that way before it was ever wrapped, the FTC says.

And the toothpaste commercial using a cigaret-smoking machine doesn't prove what it claims, says the commission.

The FTC listed these four examples Thursday in accusing four big companies of deceiving the public with their television commercials. It said trickery was used in some cases to make contrived TV scenes look real.

In all four cases, the FTC said, the TV demonstration failed to prove claims made for the products.

Complaints were filed against the following firms for allegedly deceptive advertising of the products named:

Standard Brands, Inc., New York City, Blue Bonnet Margarine; Colgate-Palmolive Co., New York City, Palmolive Rapid Shave Shaving Cream; Aluminum Co. of America, Pittsburgh, and its subsidiary, Wear-Ever Aluminum Inc. Philadelphia, New Super Strength Alcoa wrap aluminum foil; and Lever Brothers Co., New York City, Pepsodent Toothpaste.

The FTC charged that the challenged commercials tend to deceive the public and cause TV viewers to buy one brand instead of another on the basis of the alleged misrepresentations. The firms were accused of using unfair methods of competition made illegal under the Federal Trade Commission Act.