

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Politics: Over the week-end, Senator Karl Mundt (Republican, South Dakota) and Representative George H. Mahon (Democrat, Texas) kept the defense controversy boiling.

Mundt, in a report to his constituents, charged that the Democratic critics of the administration have been playing "not so powerful politics on a critical issue—our national security."

Mahon, appearing on a television program, said the United States faces "a frightening situation because of Soviet missile superiority."

We home folks, of course, understand it all. This is an election year, and in election years we Americans do strange things.

Still— This question can't help arising at times in our minds:

Is it, or isn't it, a good idea to keep telling our enemy all the time how weak and helpless we are?

He just MIGHT believe it. In that event, the consequences could be TRAGIC.

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These planks dealt with development of the natural resources of the Western states, with transportation problems and with small business. The news services report that this purpose "was achieved quietly amid the hullabaloo which centered around the Presidential aspirants."

These aspirants included Senator Lyndon Johnson of Texas, who said he isn't seeking the nomination; Senator Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota, who suggested that he is the man to lead the Democrats back to the White House, and Senator John Kennedy of Massachusetts, who said quite frankly that he came to Albuquerque in search of votes. Among other things, he chided those Presidential candidates who decline to enter the various state primary elections, terming them "people who wish to be nominated, but do not wish to meet the people."

I think maybe he has something there.

The purpose of Presidential primary elections is to give the general run of the people a chance to express their preferences among the candidates for the party nominations. How can the people express their preferences if candidates either stay out of the primaries entirely or enter only those in which they think they have a walkaway?

If the Presidential primary system is to be of any real value, it ought to be universal.

Senator Kennedy, whose home is in Massachusetts, took a crack at the Eisenhower administration, which he accused of "shameful neglect of the West." He added: "Any administration which has forgotten the West is an administration which neglected the nation."

I suppose that is true enough. . . . And, as Westerners, we feel that over the years we haven't had EVERYTHING we might want.

Still— I think it must be conceded that the West isn't doing too badly. In a recent bulletin, the Census Bureau reports that from 1950 to 1958 Nevada had the highest population increase of ANY state—89.7 per cent. In the same period Florida—where more or less everybody east of the Mississippi seems to want to go to retire—had an increase of only 62.9 per cent. Arizona was up 56.7 per cent, California up 34.9 per cent. The bulletin adds: "In the same period, New York's population increased only 10 per cent. If current rate of increase continues, California could pass New York in 1964."

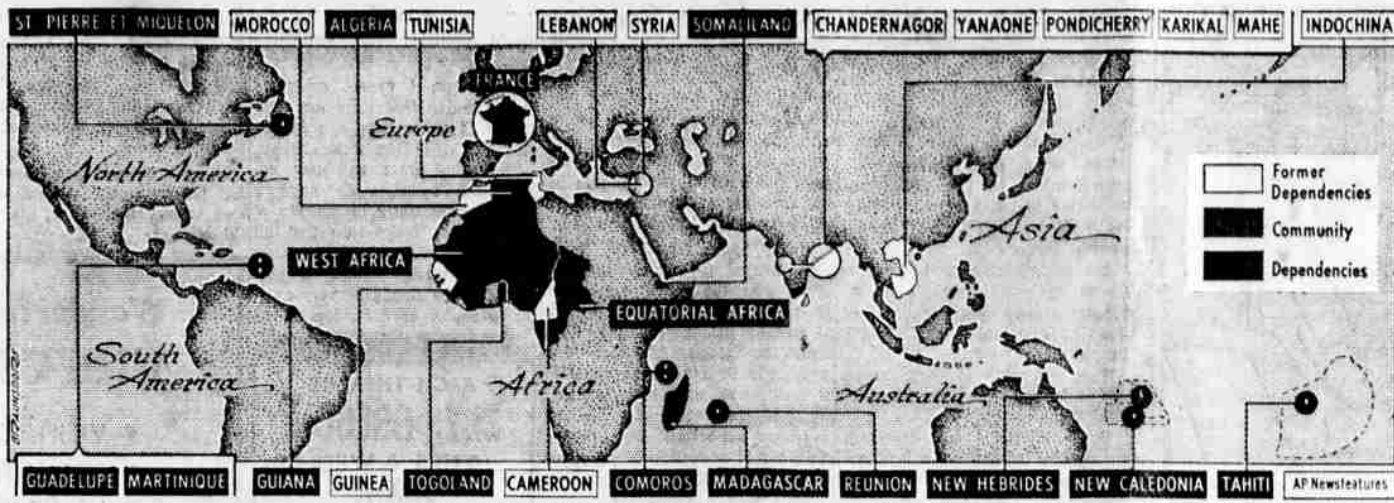
Regionally, the census bulletin adds, "The Far West was the big gainer with 29.1%. The North Central was up only 14.9%, the South was up only 13.5% and the Northeast up only 9.8%."

We're doing pretty well, thank you, without going all out on the political limb.

Humphrey Sees Loss To Morse

BAKER (AP) — Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.), one of the leading Democratic Party candidates for the presidential nomination, said here Sunday night that Sen. Wayne Morse's entry into a number of primary elections "would cost me very heavily in votes."

Of what it was going to do to his chances in Oregon, Humphrey said "I am not sure. I recognize Morse as a very strong political force in the state."



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Chief Offers Weapons Plan

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Eisenhower's proposal to share nuclear weapons with U.S. allies is designed primarily to cut the time required to retaliate against any Soviet air attack, it was learned today.

American strategic and tactical bombers in Europe are only between 10 and 20 minutes flying time away from the Iron Curtain.

While U.S. air defense systems could react almost instantly to a Soviet air attack, Eisenhower's military advisers warn that West European anti-aircraft systems could not.

This is so primarily because although Britain and other NATO members have received American-made weapons designed to carry atomic warheads, the warheads themselves are stored in separate installations.

Time would be required to unlock the warheads, mount them on their carriers or "delivery systems," and prepare them for firing.

Eisenhower, according to reliable sources, hopes to come up with an arrangement under which the warheads could be mounted at all times.

British planes which would carry American-made atomic weapons in wartime are not now armed. Under the Eisenhower plan, however, such planes would be armed at all times.

Indians Convene Legal Workshop

SEATTLE (AP) — The first legal workshop concerned solely with problems of jurisdiction in civil and criminal suits involving Indians was held here Saturday.

One of the main proposals brought before the Indian tribal judges and council members was state assumption of civil and criminal jurisdiction on some reservations. The change has been requested by nine of Washington's 41 tribes and is being considered by tribes in other states.

Seventy-five delegates from 26 tribes in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Alaska attended the workshop.

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UNUSUAL EGGS are shown here shortly after they were collected by George Brown at the Gooding Poultry Farm. Brown reports the eggs appeared with numerals six and eight clearly imprinted on them. The gourd like egg in the center was another unusual product of Saturday's egg collection rounds.

BULLETIN

TUCSON, Ariz. (P) — Convict-author Caryl Chessman today was denied a stay of execution, scheduled Feb. 19 in the San Quentin prison gas chamber.

Judge Richard Chambers, chief justice of the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, also refused to issue a certificate of probable cause for appeal.

This would have granted Chessman a hearing before the full Court of Appeals in an effort to reverse U.S. District Judge Louis E. Goodman's refusal to grant a writ of habeas corpus.

Chessman now is expected to appeal again to the U.S. Supreme Court, which has considered the case 13 times.

Should this effort fail, an appeal for clemency probably will be made to California Gov. Edmund G. Brown.

Weather

Klamath Falls and vicinity — Partial clearing with a few snow flurries tonight; partly cloudy Tuesday. Highs 42-48; low tonight 30-35.

High Sunday 48
Low last night 34
Precip. last 24 hours .88
Since Oct. 1 2.95
Same period last year 3.10
Low in area, Chiloquin 32
Chemult — six inches new snow and snowing heavily.

Northern California — Occasional rain tonight and Tuesday with heavy amounts in Sierra tonight; snow level lowering to 5,000 - 7,000 feet Tuesday. Southerly winds, 30 - 45 m.p.h. on coast from Point Arena northward.

CRATER LAKE
High yesterday 34
Low last night 25
8 a.m. today 27
New snow 5.5"
Snow depth 72"
Snow this year 202.5"
Last year 198"

Reported snowing at 8 a.m. today. Skiing conditions crusted. Chains advised on south and west road. Chains required from Annie Springs to headquarters and from headquarters to rim.

Mystery Sub Being Hunted

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Argentine warships and planes searched today for a mystery submarine believed lurking off the coast of southern Argentina.

Newspapers claimed the submarine has been bottled up in the Golfo Nuevo, a strategic 30-by-40-mile inlet 650 miles southwest of Buenos Aires. There was no indication of its nationality.

Navy Secretary Gaston Clement confirmed that a widespread hunt is under way but described some of the press reports as "absolutely untrue." He refused to discuss stories saying the submarine had been hit by depth bombs dropped by planes.

The navy secretary complained that the sensational treatment of the operation "has created a false atmosphere."

The official cold water did not dispel public curiosity. Thousands flocked to the beaches around the gulf to wait for action.

The newspaper Democracia said the trapped submarine had been damaged and two other submarines quickly moved into the area to divert search forces so the crippled craft could slip away. It said the unidentified submarines were nuclear-powered.

The submarine sensation first developed a week ago. The Argentine destroyer Cervantes and two patrol ships reported locating a submarine in the gulf but it got away.

More Argentine warships, including an aircraft carrier, were rushed to the area.

Clement told newsmen that naval electronic devices had detected strange objects, presumably submarines, several times lately. But he likened some of the current newspaper accounts to the stories of Jules Verne, the French science fiction novelist.

Parking Group Sets Meeting

The newly-formed Klamath Falls Park and Shop corporation will meet Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. for a no-host dinner at the Chuck Wagon Cafe.

Stockholders will discuss plans. They hope to get the first segments of their parking facilities operational by April or May.

The corporation has posted earnest money for a building at 734 Klamath Avenue, occupied by Clyde's Towing and Storage service. Final action should be taken at the meeting, the corporation announced.

The organization plans to acquire land in the downtown sector for parking areas. Patrons who shop in the stores of participating merchants will be allowed free parking for minimum purchases of a size not yet determined.

The plan has been successful in many cities across the nation, corporation members say.

It has shown ability to pep up business district commerce grown a little sluggish due to downtown congestion.

Burglars Accept Police Challenge

CLOVIS, N.M. (P) — Burglars in Clovis have averaged one a day since the first of the year. So Saturday night Clovis police and sheriff's officers decided to patrol the streets and stake out obvious targets.

There were six burglaries Saturday night.

One occurred at a cafe, 50 feet from the Clovis police station.

Another happened at a business that had been hit on two previous Saturday nights.

A third break-in netted a .410 shotgun and a pistol locked in the dog catcher's wagon, parked in front of the police station.

French Realm Dissolving Under Nationalism Fever

By TOM HENSHAW
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The day of the great overseas empire is drawing to a close—and the French are taking it hardest of all.

That's one of the reasons behind the recent bitter events in Algeria. The past 20 years have been filled with frustration and bitter defeat for France and particularly for the French army.

First, there was defeat in World War II followed by the forced choice between fighting on with De Gaulle or submission to the puppet Vichy regime, a choice that bewildered many French soldiers.

Then there was withdrawal from the Middle East mandates and the humiliating loss to the ragged Communist forces of Ho Chi Minh that cost the French their hold on Indochina.

Now, it's the long, drawn-out fight to suppress the will-o-the-wisp Nationalism in Algeria, virtually on the doorstep of metropolitan France itself.

The French army felt it's time to make a stand, time to score a victory, and the only battleground remaining is Algeria.

Back in 1939, the French empire rivaled that of Great Britain. Paris controlled more than four million square miles of overseas colonies, protectorates and mandates.

Now, France rules less than a million square miles and exercises limited control over another three million and its hand is slipping a bit more with each passing year.

Here's what has happened to the great overseas empire that was French in 1939:

Lost: Syria and Lebanon — The two Middle East lands, mandated to France by the League of Nations after World War I, gained independence during the second great war. Syria has since joined Egypt in the United Arab Republic.

French Indo-China — Laos became independent in 1949 with Cambodia and Vietnam following suit after the Indo-China War in 1955. Vietnam is split into the Communist north and the free south.

Morocco and Tunisia — The two North African nations were quietly granted their freedom in 1956. Since then they have been chief sources of succor to the Nationalist rebels in neighboring Algeria.

French India — Pondicherry, Karikal, Chandernagor, Mahe and Yanam, the tiny enclaves that remained of the once great French power in India, were ceded to India without fanfare a few years ago.

French Guinea — The West African land voted overwhelmingly to become a republic in the constitutional elections in 1958 even though the rest of French Africa chose to keep its ties with France.

Cameroon — The former German colony, under French trusteeship and mandate since World War I, was granted independence last January 1. Lately, it has asked French help in suppressing rebellion.

Losing: Togo — Another former German colony mandated to France in 1919, Togo is scheduled to receive its independence next April 27.

Mail — The federation of what was once French Sudan and Senegal is now a member of the French Community but has given indications it will ask for complete independence possibly this year.

Slipping: French West Africa — The one-time administrative union of Dahomey, Niger, Ivory Coast, Mauritania and others now controls most of its own internal affairs as members of the French Community.

French Equatorial Africa — Gabon, Middle Congo, Ubangi-Shari and Chad also are members of the French Community, which De Gaulle has promised independence for the asking.

Madagascar — The huge island off the east coast of Africa also is a member of the French Community under the name of Malagasy Republic.

Other French Africa — The Comoro Islands and French Somaliland voted to remain Overseas Territories. The island of Reunion, near Madagascar, is an Overseas Department with representation in Paris.

French America — The West Indies Islands of Guadeloupe and Martinique and French Guiana in South America are Overseas Departments. St. Pierre and Miquelon, islands near Newfoundland, are Overseas Territories.

French Oceania — Tahiti and New Caledonia remain Overseas Territories while New Hebrides are ruled jointly by a French and British condominium.

Priests Given Jail Sentences

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — A Communist court today sentenced six Roman Catholic priests and two theology students to prison terms ranging from 2½ to 7 years for activities hostile to the state.

Archeologists Uncover New Scroll Find

TEL AVIV, Israel (UPI) — Archeologists hoped today they may have uncovered another cache of Dead Sea Scrolls in an obscure cave once used as a hide-out by rebels against the Romans.

They reported finding fragments of parchment scrolls, believed to have been written about the same time as the Dead Sea Scrolls.

The new scrolls are the first found on the Israeli side of the Dead Sea. Experts said they give promise of mere such finds in the area.

Dr. Yohanan Aharoni said he believes there are at least three more hidden nearby.

The fragments found last week were dug out of caves overlooking the Dead Sea three miles north of Massada.

To reach the caves, Aharoni's team used ropes to scale 660 feet of sheer limestone rock cliff, part of the side of Nahal Tse-Elim Canyon.

Aharoni said two fragments are from the book of Exodus and their text and size show they were part of Phylacteries. One comprised verses one to ten of Chapter 13 and the other verses 11 to 16 of the same chapter.

Another fragment of papyrus on which Hebrew script were visible has not yet been unrolled. It was believed to be part of a letter.

Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, is about 43 miles from the caves Aharoni's party explored.

Many Report Meteor Light

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah (AP) — Most experts believe a light that flashed across western skies early Sunday was a meteor. Hundreds saw it, most of them in Utah, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming.

A amateur astronomer Floyd Rickores, Hollywood, Calif., said he tracked a red ball in the sky for nearly five minutes, after a "bright flash lighted the room."

He said the ball was brighter than anything else in the sky and he guessed it was several thousand miles up.

"It seemed to stay stationary between two stars for three or four minutes," he said, "then took off with fantastic speed and disappeared."

Richard Below, piloting a Western Airlines plane 11,000 feet over southwest Montana, said the light was "fantastically bright. It lit up everything in the cockpit and the cabin and the entire sky outside."

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Cuban Crowds Applaud Russ Super Salesman

HAVANA (AP) — Soviet super-salesman Anastas I. Mikoyan made appearances at both ends of Cuba's social scale Sunday. He was thunderously applauded on both occasions.

The Soviet deputy premier made the second public address of his Cuban visit to a meeting of the National Federation of Textile Workers, Sunday night he attended a concert of the Havana Symphony conducted by Soviet Composer Aram Khachaturian.

Mikoyan's speech to the textile workers included the usual Soviet boast of missile strength coupled with assurance of the Soviet Union's desire for peace.

"Those who talk of war," the Soviet leader said, "know that if we can send a rocket to the moon with such precision, we can send a rocket with the same precision to any point on earth."

But "war is against our wishes," he added. "We want peace, peace forever."

Mikoyan got another big hand as he outlined the rise of the Soviet Union under communism and declared, "the Cuban revolution can accomplish miracles, too."

Mikoyan was followed by Ernesto Guevara, leftist president of the National Bank of Cuba, who told the crowd the Cuban revolution will go forward.

"If we can't put Sputniks on the moon, we can plant our revolutionary ideas on the moon," Guevara declared.

Mikoyan's appearance at the rally was not announced in advance. It apparently was designed to lend prestige to the union's head, Jesus Soto, who is looked on as a Red sympathizer. Soto is leading a purge of anti-Communists in organized labor.

At the concert Mikoyan beamed from a mezzanine box, acknowledging the applause of the large crowd. The audience included a number of revolutionaries, among them Guevara and Prime Minister Fidel Castro's younger brother, Raul, minister of the Cuban armed forces, and their wives. Fidel was not present.

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Premier U Nu Faction Gets Burmese Support

RANGOON, Burma (AP) — Former Premier U Nu's supporters held a wide lead today in early returns from parliamentary elections to end military rule in Burma.

U Nu's so-called Clean faction of the anti-Fascist Peoples Freedom League (AFPFL) had captured 59 seats so far in the 250-member Parliament as opposed to 11 for the AFPFL's Stable wing. The Communist-led United Front (NUF) and the independents had taken only one seat each. It appeared certain that U Nu would again head the government.

The AFPFL, which had ruled Burma since it won independence from Britain in 1947, split two years ago. As a result of the factional feuding that followed, U Nu handed over the premiership 16 months ago to a housecleaning military regime headed by Lt. Gen. Ne Win, the army commander.

Since both factions insisted on retaining the AFPFL title, the designations Clean and Stable were used in the election campaign. The Cleans claimed support of the masses, while the Stables were backed largely by businessmen and industrialists.

In the campaign the Cleans promised to preserve and continue the military regime's cleanup of corruption that plagued the previous parliamentary regime. The Stables claimed a victory for them would insure stability of the future government.

Foreign policy was not an issue. Both AFPFL factions espouse a neutralist line.

It will take a week to complete tabulation of the vote since communications from outlying districts are slow.

U Nu easily won election to the Chamber of Deputies. His 26,369 votes were more than four times the combined total of his opponents. The Cleans took all nine seats in Rangoon, and Stable faction leaders U Ba Swe and U Kyaw Nyein were defeated.

Top leaders of the pro-Communist NUF also suffered defeat early in the balloting.

U Nu declared Sunday that the "whole country owes a debt of gratitude" to Ne Win for the way the elections were conducted.

"Ne Win is a man without any political ambitions," he said.

The new Parliament is scheduled to convene April 1 to elect a premier and cabinet.