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In The Day's News

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Problem:
What shall we believe and what shall we DISBELIEVE about the state of our national defense? Are we away out in front? Or are we hopelessly behind?

It all depends, I suppose, on whom we listen to and whom we believe—if anybody.

Anyway—
Here's an opinion on the hopeful side:
"In the aggregate, we are FAR ahead of Russia and there is simply NO NEED for an avalanche of military expenditures. What of our missile program? It is going forward as rapidly as technology will permit. No amount of money appropriated at the present time could produce missiles any faster."

The speaker?
He is Maurice H. Stans, the director of the federal budget. His job is to find the money we need to run our government—including the money we must have to provide an adequate defense. He was speaking to a national association of contractors.
I suppose it should be added that if anybody knows how much money we need to spend for defense it should be the director of the budget. He has access to all the sources.

Sounds positive, doesn't it?
But wait a minute. Note his statement that no amount of money PRESENTLY appropriated could produce missiles any faster. What does he mean by that?

A few days back Dr. Werner von Braun, perhaps our leading missile expert, was being tried out in the pan at a congressional committee hearing. He was asked what is wrong with our missile program. He replied in effect that a dozen or 15 years ago—right after the war—we let the Russians get the jump on us in missile research. They went into it in a big way. The research they did then is paying off now.
If we had started even with them then, we would be even with them now. But we didn't. We devoted our energies to getting back into business. The research we didn't do THEN, we have to do NOW. And research takes time.
Before we start spending countless billions to build missiles, Dr. von Braun testified, we must learn by research how to build missiles that will be BETTER THAN THE RUSSIAN MISSILES.

Otherwise—
He testified—
WE MIGHT FIND OURSELVES AT WAR WITH AN ENEMY WHOSE WEAPONS WERE BETTER THAN OURS.

That, he said, would be fatal.
What of Budget Director Stans' statement that we are so far ahead of Russia that there is no need for an "avalanche" of military expenditures?

Presumably he means that missiles are NOT YET the decisive weapon and for the present we can depend on our bombers based around the world to deter the Russians from attacking us.
Meanwhile, if Dr. von Braun is right, we must find out by research how to build missiles that will be superior to the Russians' missiles.
That, at the moment, is probably more important than who wins the next election.

Budget Bureau Funds Slashed

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Budget Bureau, which is frequently assailed by congressional critics for keeping a tight rein on spending by other government agencies, had its own budget chopped today.

The House Appropriations Committee cut \$200,000 from the Budget Bureau's request for \$5,100,000. The committee made the whack in approving a \$13,463,500 money bill to run the White House and related agencies in the fiscal year starting July 1. This was \$315,000 less than President Eisenhower asked but \$324,000 more than the budget for the current year.

The President himself and the White House got all the money that was requested.

Polio Cases Decline

WASHINGTON (AP) — Only five polio cases were reported by the states for the week ended March 19. Four were paralytic.

Reporting this today, the Public Health Service said the total for all types of cases was the lowest for any week since March, 1958.

Captives Tell Of Ordeal As Hostages Of Felons

Editor's Note: The 19 hostages held for 25 hours by two convicts in the Tennessee state prison all were impressed by the courteous treatment given them. Here are the reactions of four of the hostages.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UPI) — "That little Spanish had a cool nerve on him, but the other one, that taller one, was trigger happy."

That was the way Tennessee state prison Guard J. W. Trusdale described his 25 hours of captivity in which he and 18 others, including three women, were held hostage by two desperate convicts.

The convicts, Robert Rivera and Charles Raymond Farra, surrendered late Thursday after first threatening to kill their hostages unless allowed to escape from the prison.

Mark Views New Tax Plan

PORTLAND (AP) — Gov. Mark Hatfield will propose a bill in the next Legislature to simplify the income tax in Oregon, the chairman of the state Tax Commission said Thursday night.

It will tax net income 1 per cent for the first \$2,000, 2 per cent from \$2,000 to \$4,000; 3 per cent from \$4,000 to \$6,000; 4 per cent from \$6,000 to \$8,000; 5 per cent from \$8,000 to \$15,000 and 6 per cent above \$15,000, said the chairman, Dean Ellis.

He told the Portland Presidents' Council that the bill will be similar to one which failed to pass in the 1959 Legislature.

Ellis said the governor's plan is to broaden the tax base, but not to increase monetary return. The rates could be adjusted upward when additional revenue is needed in the future, he said.

He said gross income for most salaried persons also would be net income. Thus a person with \$5,000 salary would pay an income tax of \$150.

This would do away with deductions and other complicated items. Ellis called the present federal and state income tax system a monstrosity.

He said the proposed new tax, which he called a net receipts plan, would do everything a sales tax would do. He opposed a sales tax, and said it would "increase expenses of government in every level." He disputed the argument that a sales tax could attract industry.

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Christian A. Herter said today that some parts of Russia's new nuclear weapons test ban proposal are unacceptable.

Herter told a news conference that President Eisenhower and British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, in meetings beginning Monday, will try to see how fully they reconcile the U.S. and British positions on the Soviet plan.

Date Scheduled For Air Hearing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Civil Aeronautics Board has tentatively set a June 1 hearing date on the question of continued West Coast Airlines service to seven northern airports.

Examiner Thomas L. Wrenn said Thursday the hearing would probably be conducted at one or more of the cities involved.

The board instituted the proceeding to determine whether service to the cities, now being served by West Coast on a temporary certificate, should be continued on a temporary or permanent basis.

Rep. Al Ullman (D-Ore.) invited the board to hold the hearing in Baker, Ore. Other cities involved are Chehalis-Centralia, and Ellensburg, Wash.; Burley-Rupert, McCall and Payette, Idaho; and La Grande and Ontario, Ore.

Ike's Condition Has Improved

CHICAGO (UPI) — President Eisenhower is in better physical condition today than he was when he took office seven years ago, Today's Health magazine said today in an article by Ernest L. Barcella, Washington bureau manager of United Press International.



FOREIGN STUDENTS from the University of Oregon came to Klamath Falls, courtesy of the YMCA, Thursday, as they do every year, to look around and meet people. They visited classes at Klamath Union High School and are shown here with Paul Deller, foreground, KUHS instructor, and local tour coordinator, on the school steps. This group represents nearly every section of the world. Members of the group toured Crater Lake National Park on their return to Eugene.

Group Plans Rights Meet

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing Monday on the civil rights bill passed by the House. It will signal a drive by Southern senators to revise one section of the bill and thus delay its enactment indefinitely.

An aide to Sen. Herman Talmadge (D-Ga.) said that Charles J. Bloch, Macon, Ga., attorney, will testify against the measure and that Atty. Gen. William P. Rogers will speak for it.

Bloch was deputized as a special attorney general of Georgia some weeks ago to represent Gov. S. Ernest Vandiver and the state in testifying against all civil rights proposals at House and Senate committee hearings.

The Senate Thursday sent the bill to the Judiciary Committee with instructions to report it back to the Senate by next Tuesday midnight.

The deadline bars any possibility of the bill's being locked up in the committee headed by Sen. James O. Eastland (D-Miss.).

Southern hope of revising the bill was voiced by Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.). On the other hand, senators ardently urging civil rights legislation were vowing to strengthen the House bill.

Oregonian Killed In Crash Of Jet Fighter

ALAMEDA, Calif. (AP) — Two Navy jet pilots from the Carrier Hancock were killed in separate crashes Thursday — one on the San Francisco peninsula and the other after taking off from the vessel.

The Navy announced the body of one flier was recovered near the carrier, which has been on maneuvers off the California coast.

He was identified as Lt. (JG) Bruce H. Purvis, of Vale, Ore. His wife, Alise, and 2-week-old daughter, Laurel, reside in Milpitas, Calif.

Earlier, Cmdr. Einar N. C. Thompson, 39, Los Altos, Calif., commander of Fighter Squadron 213 on the Hancock, was killed when his jet crashed in a rugged area eight miles southwest of San Jose, Calif.

Mail Order Romance Fizzles Out

LOS ANGELES (AP) — John Kalachian, a caterer with an eye for sweetie pies, could have told his tale of woe this way:

"The photo he eyed made him seek a bride."

So he went to Greece to marry Denise.

But when he saw Denise, he felt he'd been fleeced.

"She didn't look at all like her picture," Kalachian, 34, said of 19-year-old Denise Dronigis. "I was never so shocked in all my life. She was terrible."

Kalachian said the photo of Denise, shown to him by her uncle

Come Quick!

LONDON (UPI) — The Evening Standard printed a front page cartoon showing a worried President Eisenhower saying into a telephone:

"Mac, come quick: We're in a terrible predicament — the Russians have agreed to something we've proposed."

Olive Branch Held By Red

PARIS (AP) — Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, campaigning for close French ties with the Soviet Union, said today, "We have a proverb that it is better to have 100 friends than 100 rubles."

He held out the olive branch at a diplomatic press corps luncheon in this third day of his presumptive visit to France.

Khrushchev said the May summit meeting should seek an end to the cold war. He declared disarmament is necessary to peaceful coexistence. He warned against the Soviet Union may sign its own peace treaty with Communist East Germany if an all-German treaty fails to materialize.

He touched with light scorn the Berlin problem. He told his listeners the Soviet Union is not alarmed at the 11,000-odd Western troops garrisoned there, adding that perhaps half a million would be easier to wipe out.

He implied the real concern was that the Soviet Union considered the situation in the divided city a dangerous vestige of World War II, which should be removed.

Khrushchev paid brief homage to Nikolai Lenin this morning in a workers' section of Paris, drawing enthusiastic cheers from thousands jamming nearby streets.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Telephone calls between New York and London were delayed about an hour today by a break in one of the two transatlantic telephone cables.

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The result: Anastasia and Kalachian were married.

On May 12, three days after the wedding, Kalachian boarded a plane for his home in Los Angeles. He assured the Dronigis he'd send for Anastasia.

But Thursday he went to court—and got untied from his bride.

A judge granted him an annulment on the grounds that "force and duress" were used in getting him to marry her.

Anastasia still hasn't heard the news. The uncle who first showed Kalachian the misleading photo was given the task of writing her.

Benefit Seen From Smokes

NEW YORK (AP) — Smoking may give you a lift by triggering release of a perk-up chemical deep in the brain, a British scientist suggested today.

This chemical may, in part, be responsible for the "pleasure of smoking," said Dr. J. H. Burn of Oxford University.

Nicotine from tobacco smoke enters the blood stream and it could unlock stores of the chemical, called norepinephrine, Burn said in a talk prepared for a symposium partly sponsored by the Tobacco Industry Research Committee.

Norepinephrine is a chemical cousin to the hormone adrenalin which makes your heart race when you're in danger.

Burn explained: "It seems to me extremely likely that the pleasure of smoking is in part derived from the release of norepinephrine from its store in the brain by nicotine, the release giving an increased feeling of cheerfulness and a sense of relief from fatigue."

Nicotine from smoking speeds up the heart, he said, probably by releasing this same chemical from special storage units in the heart.

This same chemical, liberated by nicotine, may be responsible for the sharp fall in skin temperatures caused by smoking cigarettes, he said.

Funds Added To Budget

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The House Appropriations Committee today added \$197,400,350 to President Eisenhower's budget for health, education and welfare, including an extra \$1,000,000 for a broad federal attack on juvenile delinquency.

The committee charged that the President's request was inadequate to deal with a host of problems ranging from juvenile delinquency to difficulties of the aging.

The lawmakers allotted 21 per cent more than Eisenhower asked for educational programs and 14 per cent more for health programs.

The committee took the actions in sending to the House floor for action next week a \$4,184,922,731 money bill. The funds are to finance the Health, Education and Welfare Department and the Labor Department and related labor agencies in the fiscal year starting July 1.

Terrorists Arrested

BUENOS AIRES (AP) — The Army has arrested about 300 persons, smashing what it called a terrorist plot to disrupt congressional elections Sunday.

The army commander, Gen. Carlos Toranzo Montero, said a majority of those arrested were supporters of ex-dictator Juan Peron. He said the terrorists hoped eventually to overthrow the government.

Convicts End Siege; Hostages Unharmed

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Two mean, armed convicts who had threatened a mass murder of 19 hostages walked quietly from a captured office at the Tennessee Penitentiary Thursday, ending a dramatic 25-hour siege.

In a sudden and almost anticlimactic ending, Robert Rivera and Raymond Farra handed over their two pistols and four knives and surrendered after state officials agreed to their scaled-down demands.

The hostages, three women and 16 men, were released unharmed. Warden Lynn Bonnar said the pistols might have come from a guard, not identified, who was fired last month for smuggling guns into the prison. He said the former guard was not prosecuted, but charges may be filed against him now.

Farra, 25, a native of Borderland, W. Va., is listed on prison records as insane and capable of murder. He is serving a life sentence for kidnapping. He was committed to the prison after escaping from a mental institution.

Rivera, 24, from Temple, Tex., was called by officials "one of the most dangerous prisoners ever to enter this penitentiary." He is serving 40 years for armed robbery.

The pair grabbed 21 hostages at the deputy warden's office shortly after 3 p.m. Wednesday as prisoners were being paid scrap for work done.

"They poked a gun in my face and I knew they meant it," said J. W. Trusdale, 37, one of the five prison guards they seized. "I don't think I ever spent a worse day."

One hostage, inmate Sam Broyles, was released during the night because he was ill. Another, Jack Warrick, a telephone operator-guard, was turned loose several hours later for the same reason.

Rivera and Farra first demanded a car and three state employees as shields to accompany them on a run for freedom. This was flatly refused.

After a tense night and day of negotiating with state and prison officials, they finally came out under this signed and notarized agreement.

They would be taken to the Davidson County Jail here "unharmed, unmolested and unharassed" to stay until the courts act on their petitions for writs of habeas corpus. They would not lose their good behavior time as a result of the rebellion.

The agreement, signed by Corrections Commissioner Keith Hampton, three lawyers and the convicts, was contingent upon it being published in Thursday afternoon's Nashville Banner. It also stipulated Farra and Rivera would not be placed in solitary confinement or in the prison's maximum security unit.

The Banner published an extra edition to carry the agreement.

Mrs. Jerry Tarpy, an accounting clerk at the prison and one of the women hostages, said on her

release, "We never were really terrified. They didn't threaten us. But they had those guns. We didn't sleep."

The first break in the protracted negotiations came shortly after noon when Rivera emerged from the deputy warden's office, accompanied by Clifton Cotton, an inmate who often acts as a legal adviser for fellow prisoners.

Rivera was given a notarized statement by Charles Moss, the Banner's executive editor, promising to publish the agreement as soon as the hostages were released.

The hard-faced Texan took this back, saying he thought he could talk Farra into giving up.

But nearly three hours passed before Farra came out alone to talk with Hampton. The commissioner said Farra wanted assurances he would not be harmed if he gave up.

An hour later, six inmate-hostages walked slowly from the office, their hands raised. They were followed in a few minutes by the remaining hostages.

Then came Rivera and Farra, preceded by Albert Baleyre, a state psychologist, who waved the convicts' two pistols—a .32 and a .45—high over his head.

Showing Set By Circus

The Ken Jensen Circus will make its first appearance of the new season at the Klamath Auditorium Saturday at 2 p.m. and again at 8 p.m.

The sponsoring Klamath Falls Exchange Club will use proceeds to further its youth program.

Jensen says he has an outstanding array of performers this year, including several new ones. Many are just back from Hawaii where they have been vacationing.

Among the 23 acts are the Hoffman Family, rattle-dazzle jugglers who originated the "plate spinning" routine. Miss Clarita and Los Latinos will perform on the tight wire.

The Great Huberto climbs a taut wire to the top of the arena, then slides down in his stockinged feet. "This is a tough test," says Jensen, "and Huberto is one of only two men in the world who try it."

The Escalantes from Latin America give a lively performance on the aerial bar, which is a parallel bar type of apparatus, not a trapeze.

The aerialists are Melita and Wicoms from Sweden. Jensen says their act is one of the best feature acts he has ever offered.

Wicoms balances a "perch pole" on his shoulder. Melita climbs it, walks on her hands on a cross bar and performs a gymnastic routine high in the air.

Clowns include Mambo, Perky, Rosy, Banjo and Banjo Jr.

Three-ton Sonita, and Tonya, who is a smaller elephant, will perform with two trained ponies and two dogs.

Jensen is extremely proud of his animals. "The Adams Chimps." The apes ride motorcycles and bicycles and are generally precocious. He had several requests to bring them back this year.

A new animal act features Uncle Heavy and his pigs. The five hogs, all weighing from 200 to 300 pounds, are trained to do a variety of tricks.

Tickets will be available at the door. The show runs two hours.

Canada Asks 6-mile Limit

GENEVA (AP) — Canada called on the 84-nation Law of the Sea Conference Friday to make a 6-mile limit for territorial waters a principle of international law and to grant coastal countries exclusive fishing rights 12 miles out from their shores.

The Canadian proposal, introduced by delegate George A. Drew, conflicts strongly with U.S. views.

The U. S. proposal, introduced Thursday, also provides for a 6-mile territorial limit. But it insists that foreign fishermen must retain the right to operate in traditional fishing grounds 6 miles beyond the territorial sea.

Drew told the conference an international rule perpetuating traditional fishing rights in foreign coastal waters would be of benefit only to about 15 countries and would "in some measure conflict with the larger principle affirmed in the charter of the United Nations."

"I do not think it would be consistent with the doctrine of equality under the law if (such an international fishing rule) were applicable to most of the countries represented here, and at the same time created a special exception (for) a comparatively small number of states."

Adenauer In Tokyo

TOKYO (AP) — West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer arrived today for a seven-day state visit to Nazi Germany's wartime ally. A small group of Japanese extreme rightists welcomed him with swastika banners and rising sun emblems.

Adenauer is expected to meet with Japanese Prime Minister Ichiro Kono and other officials.

Adenauer's visit is part of a series of diplomatic moves to improve relations between West Germany and Japan.