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FILM STARS BOUND FOR POLIO FUND FETES



PICTURED ON THEIR ARRIVAL in Chicago, en route to Washington, D. C., are some of the movie stars who were to appear at five fetes in the Capital in observance of the 64th anniversary of the birth of Franklin D. Roosevelt. They are (l. to r.): Van Johnson, Margaret O'Brien, Reginald Gardiner, Zachary Scott, Alexis Smith, Paul Henreid, Angela Lansbury, and her mother, Mrs. Moyna McGill. The proceeds of the gala balls, will help to swell the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation fund. (International Soundphoto)

Reds Return Control Of Iran Railways In North To Tehran

Iran To Try To Negotiate Her Dispute

Russia Charged With Conducting A War Of Nerves

London, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Iran announced today that she was preparing to try direct negotiations again in her dispute with Russia if the United Nations security council recommended such action but insisted that the council retain jurisdiction of the case.

At the same time, Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of Britain charged that Russia had conducted what appears to be a "war of nerves" in Britain and Iran and he endorsed an Iranian demand, endorsed by Russia, for the security council to take control of the Soviet-Iranian dispute.

The Iranian position was stated shortly after it was announced in Tehran that Russia was returning key railway lines in the northern part of the country to control of the Iranian State Railways.

Iranian officials said privately the Russian move should bring a prompt and basic improvement in the relations between the two nations and might affect significantly the case that is now pending before the UNO.

Russia told the council Monday that the dispute could be settled by direct negotiations between Moscow and Tehran and, therefore, should be put aside by the council. Iran, however, pressed for intervention.

Discussions among the delegates centered on the possibility of a compromise by which the council would leave the issue to bi-lateral negotiations with the provision that the disputing nations report back to the security body on the progress of their discussions.

It was uncertain whether Russia would want the council to have even that much jurisdiction. However, Council Chairman Norman J. O. Minkin of Australia ruled Monday that Russia, as a party to the dispute, could not vote on such procedural matters.

Meanwhile, the UNO moved ahead with its final organizational problems. One of the major issues was removed yesterday by the nomination of Norwegian Foreign Minister Trygve Lie for the key post of secretary general.

The stocky, 30-year-old Oslo labor lawyer was proposed by the United States delegation as a compromise candidate after Russia declined to endorse American-sponsored Lester Pearson, Canadian ambassador to Washington.

The United Nations secretariat announced that Lie had advised he would accept appointment as secretary general, a post which pays \$20,000 yearly in salary and \$26,000 for expenses. His final election by the general assembly was expected to be merely a formality.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Cloudy skies with light rain and milder temperatures tonight; Thursday showers, colder.

May Be Prelude To Evacuation Of Russian Armies

Tehran, Iran, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Russian military authorities returned to the Iranian State Railways today control of Iran's vital lines through the northern provinces of Azerbaijan, Mazandaran and Kirvan.

Friends of Iran's new premier, Ahmed Qavam Es Saltaneh, immediately described the move as "the first Russian gesture of friendship" toward the new government.

These sources speculated that the Russian act was a prelude to an anticipated Soviet request for use of the lines to evacuate Red army troops whose presence in the northern provinces is the basis for the Iranian protest now pending before the United Nations Security Council in London.

Reds Scheduled To Leave.
The Russians are scheduled to evacuate northern Iran, according to their own interpretation of their own agreements, on March 2.

The state railways which announced the Russian move said the roads affected had been held by the Russians under the war time agreement on occupation of the northern provinces.

The National Railway Lines of southern Iran, formerly held under a similar agreement by the Americans, were returned to the Iranian government several months ago.

Warning To Fleet Heads Was Written But Was Not Sent

Washington, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Navy Captain McCallum said today that two or three days before Pearl Harbor he drafted a proposed warning to fleet commanders that hostilities were imminent, but his superiors decided against sending it.

At the time, McCallum was head of the Far Eastern section of the Navy Department's intelligence division.

He said his draft was based on his analysis of the situation and was not due to any Japanese "winds" code message indicating a break with the United States. To his knowledge, McCallum said no such winds message was ever intercepted.

He related to the Senate-House committee investigating Japan's December 7, 1941 attack that he had not known about the navy's November 27 warning message to fleet commanders at the time he had drafted his proposed dispatch.

New York, Jan. 30.—(AP)—President Harry Truman will speak to the nation by radio tonight as part of the observance of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt's birthday anniversary. His five minute address will be broadcast from the White House over all the major networks sometime between 11:52 and 11:57 p. m. (EST).

The President took note of the observance in other ways too. He arranged to buy the first Roosevelt memorial stamp from Postmaster General Robert Hannegan and invited to lunch the movie stars who came to the capital for the March of Dimes campaign.

Steel Price Boost Last Word Given

Government Makes Decision; Industry Studies Increase

Washington, Jan. 30.—(AP)—The government was reported today to have given its "last word" to the steel industry on what price increases it will approve in the interest of settling the reconversion-crippled steel strike.

What this "last word" contained was not disclosed, but a person close to the industry said President Benjamin Fairless of the United States Steel Corp., carried it back to New York to discuss with other steel leaders.

There was no indication here that any major change had occurred in the Government's position regarding price relief for steel. An advance of approximately \$1.00 per ton is reported to be the maximum the Government will approve.

However, U. S. Steel Corp. asserted only yesterday that an increase of much more than \$1 will be necessary even to approximate its workers' demands for wage increases.

Olds Raises Question.
This estimate was made by Chairman of the Board Irving S. Olds who told reporters in New York it raised the question whether such an increase would be "wise and in the public interest."

Olds' contention was that a \$1 price boost would cover neither the 18.5 cent hourly increase acceptable to the union or the counter-offer of 15 cents made by the firm.

The Olds' statement had the initial effect of attaching considerable uncertainty as to the ultimate results of the behind the scenes conferences Fairless has had here the past few days.

Red Letter Days Slated Within N. C.

Raleigh—North Carolinians, who are notoriously gregarious, are receiving word of their old excuses to get together for fun, and as a consequence will offer many events of interest to tourists.

Wallace will have its strawberry festival in May, probably around the 10th. The festival comes at the close of the harvest and is climaxed by a dance held in the town's largest tobacco warehouse.

Washington may revive the beautiful tulip festival in April, coinciding with the blooming of the flowers on the farms of Hollanders at nearby Terra Ceta.

The Asheville Folk Dance and Music Festival is set for August 3, 4, 5, and the Coastal Festival, featuring maritime events, is planned at Morehead City for August 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, and the 46th Annual North and South Amateur following week. The 29th annual Pinehurst Horse Show is scheduled April 5th.

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The calendar for Pinehurst, Sandhills winter resort, includes the 44th annual North and South Women's Golf Championship April 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19; and the 46th Annual North and South Amateur the following week. The 29th annual Pinehurst Horse Show is scheduled April 5th.

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Confidence Vote Is Given To New French President

Paris, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Felix Gounin, newly elected interim president of France, was given an overwhelming vote of confidence by the French assembly today after an address in which he had outlined his government's policy in domestic and foreign affairs.

The vote was 514 to 51, with rightist members casting all the negative ballots.

RESIDENCE DAMAGED BY OIL STOVE FIRE

An oil stove at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Wright, on Maple street, exploded at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, resulting in a small fire in the kitchen.

Slight damage was done to the ceiling and wall near the stove. The flames were covered by insurance. Firemen quickly extinguished the flames and no damage was reported to the rest of the house.

New Strike Legislation Gains Support In House

CHILD POINTS ACCUSING FINGER



UNABLE TO SPEAK because her throat was slashed, little Rosalie Gigenti, 7, raises an arm from her hospital bed in Detroit to point at Frank Lobedoff (left, back to camera) as the man who assaulted and knifed her. Sent to the grocery store owned by Lobedoff and his brother, Rosalie did not return and was found by searchers. (International Soundphoto)

Congressmen Want Bomb Test Results To Be Kept Secret

Demands For Law Which Would Forbid Releasing Report Gathering Steam

Washington, Jan. 30.—(AP)—The House Naval Committee today approved a legal ban against disclosure to foreign governments of technical data obtained in the planned Pacific oceanic bomb test.

The proviso written by the Navy Department and approved today by the committee, however, includes a clause exempting the secretaries of war and navy some leeway in disclosing data to foreign governments.

The secrecy requirement was included in a bill authorizing the navy to use approximately 100 American and captured enemy warships in the Pacific tests beginning next May, but requiring "consent" of the congressional naval committees to be obtained for the selected ships.

Washington, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Demands for a law that would forbid cutting other nations in on results of the coming atomic bomb tests gathered steam today on Capitol Hill.

Members of the House Naval Committee said they intended to write the top secret idea into a pending bill by Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) and send the measure to the House floor for a quick vote.

"I've talked it over with some of the others on the committee and I'm convinced almost all of them favor the secrecy requirement," Rep. Grant (R-Ind.) told a reporter. "I am quite certain they want it."

Vinson has asked Vice Adm. W. H. P. Blandy to have a suggested draft of the ban ready for committee action this afternoon. Vinson's bill will make the tests fully legal by providing specific congressional permission to destroy ships chosen for the experiment.

Blandy in Charge.
The joint chiefs of staff have put Blandy in charge of the tests scheduled to start next May off Bikini Atoll in the Marshall Islands.

Grant got the committee interested in his idea after Secretary of State James Byrnes told reporters that this Government already tentatively had decided to allow the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission to watch the atomic blasts.

But even the "anti-side" seems probably will be up to ten miles away for safety's sake. Hence, test results will be discernable to the eye-witnesses.

TWIN CALVES BORN IN HENDERSON AREA

Two calves, one male and one female, were born yesterday to a Jersey cow not quite two years old, it was reported today by the owner of the cow, Henry Boyd, a colored man residing at 627 Hillside avenue.

The cow and calves are reported to be in excellent condition. It was thought that this is the first time in quite a while that the birth of twin calves had been reported in Vance county.

Tables Now Turned

Chapel Hill, Jan. 30.—Many people in the South have been saying ever since the Civil War that most of the money soon finds its way to the North.

Now the tables have been turned—at least to the extent of a few dollars.

This week the State Campaign headquarters for the polio campaign here received a contribution of \$100 from an old-time resident of New York City. The check was drawn on a New York bank and was credited to the Orange County campaign, conducted by E. Carrington Smith.

Plan Is Held Substitute For Fact-Finding

Washington, Jan. 30.—(AP)—A new and far reaching strike control bill gathered powerful support today in the House.

The measure was offered as a substitute for fact finding legislation on which the Rules committee scheduled a meeting to clear the way for House debate beginning tomorrow.

Containing several restrictive provisions and calling for a national labor-management mediation board, the bill was introduced by Rep. Case, (R-S. D.) with backing from powerful members of both parties.

Republican spokesmen told reporters nearly all their members will support the plan and southern Democratic leaders said that members from their section will back it nearly 100 per cent.

Labor Friends Oppose.
Rep. Marcantonio (ALP-N.Y.) termed the measure "a Republican filibuster against labor," acknowledging, however, it had widespread backing.

Among restrictive sections of the Case bill are ones which would:

1. Provide civil liability for unions or employers violating contracts.
2. Deny collective bargaining or re-employment rights to individuals or unions using violence in picketing or organized boycotts to force management to come to terms.
3. Give no status to unions of supervisory employes, such as foremen; and
4. Repeal many of the present anti-injunction laws, by permitting issuance of injunctions in certain cases of labor unrest.

The proposed mediation board would be composed of six or more members named by the President. They would include an equal number of employer and employee representatives and at least three public members.

Management and unions would be required to give the board five days notice of any lockouts or strikes and would be banned from such action for 30 days if the board assumed jurisdiction.

G.M., Union, Mediator To Start Talks

Referee Has Meets With Firm, Union; Wilson Steps In

Detroit, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Uncle Sam's latest effort to settle the General Motors strike was scheduled to get off to a fast start either this afternoon or tomorrow when C. E. Wilson, G. M. president, and R. J. Thomas, chief of the CIO-United Auto Workers, begin negotiations with special federal mediator, James F. Dewey.

Dewey, who went right into action after getting Labor Secretary Lewis Schwelb's orders to take over in the 71-day dispute involving 175,000 G. M. employes, held a series of informal conferences last night with both management and labor and then announced the joint meeting.

It is the first negotiating session for Wilson since discussions began last September, and Thomas too is taking a more active part than he has played during most of the strike.

Union arguments both before and after the November 21 walkout have been led by Vice President Walter P. Reuther, also taking part in Dewey's sessions.

Battery Shortage In Nation Acute, Auto Club Warns

Washington, Jan. 30.—Critical depletion of battery supplies throughout the nation threatens widespread immobilization of automobiles and trucks in the months immediately ahead, the American Automobile Association warned today.

Following a spot check of battery supply conditions in thirty-two metropolitan areas throughout the nation, H. J. Brunner, president of the national motoring body, sent a telegram today to C. P. A. and O. P. A. officials declaring that the battery shortage is even more critical now than during the war and had resulted in a serious agency discord and lack of a clear-out policy.