

Clark Says Congress To Act on Army Navy Merger

12 Points of Presidential Plan For Unification Are Listed

FORT BRAGG — "I anticipate that before we adjourn Congress will take action on the President's proposal for legislation to unify the nation's Armed Forces," Congressman J. Bayard Clark, representative of the Seventh district, stated just before he returned to Washington from a brief visit to his home at Fayetteville.

In an effort to establish a definite military policy on the vital issue of establishing a unified force for our national defense, President Truman in a recent letter to Congress reported favorably on the efforts of the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy to reach a compromise on their differences of opinion on the Army-Navy merger.

"They have reached an agreement on eight important elements of unification," the President's letter to Congress stated, "and with reference to the four upon which there was not full agreement their differences are not irreconcilable."

A summary of all twelve elements listed in the President's merger follow:

1. "There should be one Department of National Defense. It should be under the control of a civilian who would be a member of the Cabinet. Each of the services would be headed by a civilian with the title of 'Secretary.'"
2. "There should be three coordinate services—the Army, Navy and Air Force. The three services should operate in a common purpose toward overall efficiency of the national defense under the control and supervision of the Secretary of National Defense."
3. "The Air Force shall have the responsibility for the development, procurement, maintenance and operation of the military air resources of the United States with the exception of ship, carrier and water-based aircraft essential to naval operations, and aircraft of

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HUMAN SIDE OF LIFE

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Figuratively speaking, every one stood at attention when Jackson Robbins entered a room. Bobby Soxers touched the pavements with their brows, also figuratively speaking, when he passed them on the street and elderly woman (who certainly should know better) wiped beads of perspiration from their lips when Jackson bowed low in their presence.

That's the sort of a male Jackson Robbins was. Tall, with Scandinavian blondness and stature, he commanded respect because of his size and strength. His tales of his prowess during the recent holocaust were also of tall timber. Other GIs who found it necessary to listen to his exploits, would whis-

per under their breaths with caustic venom: "Wonder what the heck they sent the rest of us million or more guys along for; he could have won the war with both hands tied behind him". Which will give you the general idea that Jackson Robbins took a prominent position in the opinion of Jackson Robbins.

At least one had to acknowledge that his power of word manipulation was 100 per cent perfect; his listeners would sit enthralled as he recounted the hairbreath episodes in which he strode forward, telling his men to follow closely so that they would not have to take any chances, right into the mouth of the enemies' guns. Of course, his ability would always silence those guns but had an entirely opposite effect upon himself. And the funny part of the whole thing was that no one ever questioned any of his tall tales. That is, no one except the GIs and most of them kept as far out of hearing as was possible.

But one, William Montgomery, "Bill" to his friends and "Plug" to his buddies in the outfit who went through fire and brimstone with him on Okinawa, had to listen to far more of Jackson's fairy tales than pleased him. For some unaccountable reason, Mary Bell Wilson, was fascinated beyond control and every night (which had been three times a week until the advent of Jackson Robbins) Bill was regaled with "clippings" from Jackson's book of memoirs. Even long before Bill had gone overseas, it had been generally taken for granted that he and Mary Bell were a little more than good friends, and Bill heartily disliked the idea of Jackson's trespassing. His ire finally rose to the firing line when Jackson appeared one evening and conspicuously occupied the entire evening as well as the coveted seat on the divan next to Mary Bell. Bill left early and joined a bunch of the boys downtown. Too full for secrecy, he spilled his grievances all over the place and you can well depend upon it he found plenty of sympathetic suggestions.

"Why, that . . . that Bill exploded, "probably never even smelled gun powder. I bet a pop gun would send him into hysterics. I bet but he never finished the sentence. Instead, he threw both arms in the air and yelled, "Boys, I've got it". He didn't explain what but went into a right-about-face and disappeared.

Flags flew from every corner of the stadium; bands played patriotic airs and excitement blazed on every side. It was the regular Fourth of July celebration and not a soul ever missed one of these affairs. This was no exception, and Jackson Robbins took his seat in one of the most conspicuous boxes. By his side was the lovely Mary Bell and his course of direction was engineered by Bill. It was done in a masterly manner, you can be well assured and was carefully watched by two dozen gleeful GI eyes. Adoring feminine eyes with the green glint of jealousy watched Jackson's every move, and his cup of joy was not only running over but was slopping up the works.

Every one took their seats after the singing of the National Anthem and adjusted themselves for the speaker of the afternoon, the Honorable John Graff, Governor of the state.

"Fellow citizens," he began . . . but that was as far as he got. An explosion that sounded like a muffled cannon roar and followed by a large blonde-headed body jumping over the speaker's stand and accompanied by words best expressed with asterisks cut short his contemplated speech.

"Funny what a giant fire cracker inside of a tin can sounds like," murmured Bill to an appreciative GI audience.

Hazelwood Drops Ecusta 3 to 1 Here

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Hazelwood's score low. Saturday the league-leading local team will meet Martel Mills here, beginning at 3:30 p. m. Ecusta plays at Canton, Enka at Beacon Mills, and Sayles at Green River in other Industrial League games. With one out, Jack Alexander, Ecusta's shortstop, took the first hit of the game with a drive that landed him on first. Ray Byrd then brought him home with a long one over the centerfielder's head good for three bases. Blalock then struck out Orr and an infield play retired the side.

Hazelwood returned in kind their half of the first. Lane, first up, hit one good for two bases. Elmer Dudley singled and brought Lane home. Jack Smith—playing his first game due to a pre-season injury—flew out to left field. Blalock earned his clean-up spot by coming through with a single to score Dudley before the inning ended.

The second inning was three-up and three-down for both sides, Suttles striking out three in a row for Ecusta.

From the third through the ninth the visiting team got at least one man on base, with runners on third in the sixth and seventh. Timely strike-outs, close play in the field, and a quick catcher-to-pitcher-to-third throw to nip Morris at third in the seventh inning, kept Hazelwood's slim lead.

The remaining score of the game was tallied by Sam Lane in the fifth, who took first and then second on the catcher, Riddle's errors. He went to, third on a wild pitch and coasted to home plate when Blalock knocked up dust on the foul line in right field with a three-base hit.

Alexander snarred a hot one hit by Robinson to second base in the ninth, and an up-in-the-air catch by Dudley at shortstop were among the outstanding fielding plays of the game.

The box score:

Ecusta	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Sams, lf	4	0	2	4	0	0
Alexander, 2b	4	1	2	2	4	0
Byrd, 3b	4	0	1	3	2	0
Orr, rf	4	0	2	0	0	0
Suttles, p	4	0	0	0	8	0
Riddle, c	4	0	0	8	0	2
McCurry, ss	3	0	0	1	1	0
Morris, 1b	4	0	1	6	0	0
Misenheimer, cf	2	0	0	0	0	1
Case, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Clayton, ss	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gregor, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	1	8	24	15	3

Hazelwood	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Lane, 2b-rf	4	2	2	1	4	0
Dudley, ss	4	1	1	2	4	1
Smith, 1b	4	0	0	14	0	0
Blalock, p	4	0	2	0	9	0
Robinson, cf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Yount, lf	4	0	0	1	0	0
G. Wyatt, c	4	0	2	6	1	0
Harris, rf	1	0	0	0	0	1
E. Wyatt, 3b	3	0	1	1	2	1
Glen Wyatt, ss	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	3	8	27	22	3

Score by innings: R. Ecusta 100 000 0-1 Hazelwood 200 010 00x-3
Umpires: Kuykendall and Teague

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Dayton And Lions Open Softball Games Tonight

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Phillips, cf	3	0	1
Campbell, 1b	3	0	0
Weatherby, ss	3	0	1
Boone, c	2	0	1
Hyatt, 3b	2	0	0
Davenport, 2b	2	0	0
Plott, rf	2	0	0
Smith, p	2	0	0
Totals	22	0	3

Boosters (9)	Ab.	R.	H.
Collins, rf	1	2	0
Hoyle, 3b	4	0	0
Blalock, ss	4	3	3
Jaynes, 1b	4	0	1
Yount, cf	2	0	0
Putnam, p	3	1	2
Whitener, lf	3	1	0
Wyatt, c	3	1	0
Summerrow, 2b	2	1	2
Totals	26	9	8

Score by innings: R. Lions 000 000 0-0 Boosters 201 006 x-9
Umpires: Woodard-Harris.

Second Game

High School (3)	Ab.	R.	H.
Burgin, 2b	4	0	0
Richeson, rf	4	0	0
Owens, cf	3	0	0
Harris, lf	3	1	0
Robinson, ss	3	2	1
Messer, 3b	3	0	2
Powers, 1b	3	0	0
Ammons, p	2	0	0
Noland, c	3	0	0
Totals	28	3	3

Dayton (18)	Ab.	R.	H.
R. Phillips, c	5	1	3
Messer, 2b	5	1	1
Wyatt, ss	4	2	1
Jaynes, 1b	4	3	2
Arrington, 3b	4	3	3
Whitener, lf	4	2	2
Hooper, rf	4	3	2
Sheehan, cf	4	1	1
J. Phillips, p	4	2	2
Haney, p	0	0	0
Totals	38	18	17

Score by innings: R. High School 010 002 0-3 Dayton 601 326 x-18
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Laburn Alexander Fie, Waynesville, R. F. D. No. 2; Joe Francis Christopher, Hazelwood; James Monroe Galyon, Cove Creek; Hugh Willis Compton, Hazelwood; Robert Delos McCall, Waynesville; James Luke Clark, Waynesville; Robert Collidge Sutton, Cove Creek.

Oll Parton Waynesville; Ted Hampton, Waynesville, R. F. D. No. 1; Ned Jones, Waynesville, R. F. D. No. 2; William Francis Weston, Clyde, R. F. D. No. 1; Isreal McDaniel Fisher, Clyde, R. F. D. No. 1; and J. L. Rogers, Hazelwood.

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