

Radio's Red
Sen. Willis Smith leads a subcommittee to investigate Red influences in radio. A novel on the subject, Irvin Shaw's "The Troubled Air," is reviewed by Book Editor Bob Sals on The News book page today. Turn to Page 7-A.

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LADY COLONEL

Uniformed as Colonel-in-Chief of the Grenadier Guards, Princess Elizabeth took the salute of the Guards Brigade in a formal Trooping of the Colors in London. (Radiophoto from Acme Telephoto).

Presbyterians Plan To Make Use Of TV

By ANDY ANDERSON
ORLANDO, Fla. — A television show will be helping Presbyterian ministers to reach the churchgoers who are not in the pews. The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S., composed of sixteen Southern states, had that word today from Dr. John Alexander, secretary of the division of radio.

Dr. Alexander is a member of the Board of Directors of Protestant Radio Center Inc., Atlanta, the only co-operative religious broadcasting center in the country.

He said plans to enlarge the center to produce and channel religious and devotional TV programs of varied interests and needs of audiences of all ages.

"The aim is to present more graphically the concept of religious programs to the eye and ear to reach and teach as many people as possible," he said.

At an elders' breakfast of the 81st Assembly, Cameron Deans of Richmond, Va., associate director of men's work of the board of education, said the church was playing second fiddle to the state in too many areas where men's leadership is concerned.

"The state cannot pass legislation and create honesty and morality. Those attributes are found in a person's character. And it is the job of the church to develop men of character so that in every

OUR WEATHER

Partly cloudy and continued warm today, tonight and tomorrow with scattered showers and evening thunderstorms.

Sunrise, 5:08 A.M.; sunset, 7:37 P.M.

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MAN THE PUMPS!

Ever get caught in a cloudburst? That's the ultimate in rainfall, ten times as heavy as a "heavy" rain. You sometimes hear the term "cloudburst" applied incorrectly to severe rain storms that fall for short periods of time. The requirements for a true cloudburst are at least 3.0 inches of rain in one hour. Cloudbursts occur chiefly in the Great Plains and the Southwest. They are caused by the collapse of the vertical air currents supporting the great mass of water in a thundercloud, estimated at perhaps 300,000 tons of water, allowing the deluge to descend in one torrent.

Acheson And General Feud At Distance

Probe Of Allies' Lobbying Proposed

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Senator Bridges (R-NH) proposed an investigation of "the pressures and lobbies" of this country's allies today as Sen. Douglas MacArthur and Secretary of State Acheson denied indirectly before Senators.

Bridges said any inquiry into the activities of a "China lobby" should also cover "the pressures and lobbies and influences" of other nations friendly to the United States. He mentioned Great Britain, France, Belgium, Holland, Colombia, Finland, Denmark, Greece, Sweden and Iran.

Acheson told the Senators investigating MacArthur's dismissal as Far East commander that President Truman has ordered all Government agencies to co-operate in any such inquiry.

HINT LAWS BROKEN

Acheson said his department has compiled "hearsay information" which, if correct, indicates some of the China group's activities "are not in accordance with the law."

MacArthur telegraphed Senator Knowland (R-Calif.) from New York that any intimation by Acheson that MacArthur favored a combined Nationalist-Communist Chinese Government in December 1945 was a "preposterous lie."

Acheson, testifying for the eighth day before the Joint Armed Services and Foreign Relations Committee, disputed a contention from the MacArthur camp that Washington wanted to "pull the rug" from Korea last winter and made a scapegoat for some political advantage.

Senator Cain (R-Wash.) told a reporter he would have the Knowland-MacArthur exchange made part of the hearing record, but that was done the "China lobby" came in for lengthy discussion.

MORE MORE MORE MORE

Acheson told the inquiry group earlier this week that the State Department had been assembling data on the subject at the request of Senator Morse (R-Ore.).

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Tornadoes Hit In Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA CITY — Tornadoes wrecked dozens of homes in three western Oklahoma farming communities today, and one killed two persons in other forms.

The deadliest hit were Corn and Clinton, Okla., where a high wind patrol reported at least 35 persons splintered at Corn, a village of 200 persons, 70 miles west of Oklahoma City.

At Colony, just east of Corn, two homes and 15 to 20 homes were destroyed by the twister. A farm house and barn were damaged near Chawasha in southwest Oklahoma.

No injuries were reported in any of the tornadoes.

Officials said many residents of Corn owed their lives to Fire Chief Romie Denton at Cordell, whose telephone alert sent them scrambling to cellars before the storm hit.

JAYCEE PRESIDENT

MIAMI, Fla. — (AP) — The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce advised that its annual convention, scheduled for early next year, will be held in Miami, Fla., as its new president.

The Air Force has assigned a staff of qualified Air Force officers to look into the disaster.

NO COLLISION

Air Force officials at Wright-Patterson said it was known there was no air collision.

There was no immediate explanation for the crash, which was known to have occurred on the night of the crash.

The eight planes crashed from formation on 24, based at Bergstrom Air Force Base, Austin, Texas. Other jets in the group on the night of the crash were placed under armed guard.

Col. C. F. Carier, deputy base commander, ordered all personnel to give out absolutely no information regarding the plane crashes.

Two survivors said their flight was straggling above a thunder-

Mass Crash Of 8 Jet Planes Investigated

RICHMOND, Ind. — (AP) — Air Force officers and FBI agents today scoured a 25-mile area in eastern Indiana to determine why eight F-84 Thunderjets crashed in the largest multiple jet disaster in history.

Three of the pilots died in the mysterious crash, and the other five were injured as the fast-flying planes fell from the sky.

A spokesman for the FBI in Washington today said only in such cases the agency makes a preliminary inquiry to determine the facts and then if sabotage or other indications are found "we go into it."

The FBI office in Indianapolis would not comment on its activity in the crash investigation.

An Indiana State police officer, Lt. Earl Smith, who flew over the

Talks On Japan Ready Hit Snag

France Would Postpone Pact

SALZBURG, Austria — (AP) — The United States Army forcibly ejected a three-man Russian repatriation mission from the American zone of Austria this morning.

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LONDON — (AP) — Special Presidential Envoy John Foster Dulles confirmed today that Western power talks on a Japanese peace treaty have bogged down.

Dulles declined to comment on the differences that have arisen but informed diplomatic sources reported yesterday they involved a French suggestion that the Western Allies defer making a final peace treaty with Japan.

The Republican State Dept. adviser flew off to Paris today to consult with French officials on the settlement question at the airport.

Difficulties between the Western powers have arisen in the Japanese peace treaty talks. The talks so far have been satisfactory, but we hope to settle our differences by next week."

Dulles was here during the proposed treaty settlement with British officials. Presumably while in Paris he will attempt to talk to the French out of their new idea. He is then scheduled to return to London to round off his discussions with the British.

The U.S. wants a quick peace treaty with Japan and is prepared to go ahead and sign one without Russian participation, if Russia refuses to act quickly.

Difficulties have developed between the U.S. and Britain over the treaty since London wants to go ahead and sign one without Russian participation, if Russia refuses to act quickly.

U.S. diplomats said France wants diplomatic and economic arrangements with Japan by individual nations somewhat similar to present arrangements with Western Germany.

Proposals Expected For New Tax Hikes

By NORMAN WALKER
WASHINGTON — (AP) — A series of Administration proposals for new tax increases was hinted today by Congressional leaders promised "fair" action on extending inflation control powers.

President Truman was given assurances on continuing controls by legislators yesterday. The present control law expires June 30 — three weeks from today.

At the same White House meeting the legislators received copies of a report from Mr. Truman's Council of Economic Advisors warning of rapidly mounting inflationary pressures and calling for a "vigorous and vigorous program" to combat them.

"It requires even more taxes than we have thus far been proposing to the Congress," the report said, "although we appreciate the economic soundness of making these proposals in a series of steps instead of all at once."

\$7 BILLION OK'D

The President originally recommended \$16,000,000 in new taxes. However, Secretary of the Treasury Snyder later said \$16,000,000 would okay as a starting point. Under long hearings, the House committee tentatively approved a \$7,000,000,000 in new taxes is being considered for suggestion to Congress.

Mr. Truman was described as deeply concerned over the economic situation. He was quoted by Press Secretary Joseph Short as saying:

"If we let inflation run away, the Russian will win. We will be the cold war without firing a shot."

Chairman Maybank (D-SC) of the Senate Finance Committee said today reporters his group will work to get the bill passed.

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ONCE-OVER FROM THE BRASS

Lt. Gen. James A. Van Fleet, Commanding General of the 8th Army, and Gen. Matthew Ridgway look over Chinese prisoners of war in Korea. In a recent action on the Central front prisoners were taken by UN soldiers who cut the enemy's main lines and shouted to the Reds to surrender or be shot. (Acme Telephoto.)

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Luciano Accused Of Smuggling

ROME — (AP) — Italian police accused Charles "Lucky" Luciano, reputed czar of the U.S. underworld, of currency smuggling today.

Officials said the exiled vice lord, who was released from prison in the United States and Italy in 1947, fell into a police dragnet fishing for a narcotics gang.

Police said, however, they had not established any definite connection between Luciano and the gang. They did, however, discover that he had smuggled \$5,000 and an American automobile into Italy, a police announcement said.

Luciano must pay five times the amount of the currency and the value of the automobile as a fine, if he does not pay this fine, police said, he will be arrested.

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