# 5 European Nations Adopt 50-Year Pact U. S. ANTI-RED DRIVE SHAPE Plan To Halt

#### Form Union Intended To Check Communism

#### Signing Slated For Wednesday

BRUSSELS, Belgium—(AP)—Britain, France and the Benelux nations adopted today a 50-year treaty for a political, economic and military union of Western Europe intended to check themarch of Communism.

Conference officials said the accord and allied documents will be preciped in the second and allied documents will be reverging ministers of Belgium, Britain, France, Luxembourg and The Netherlands.

## Tax Cut-Measure WASHINGTON — (AP) — Senate Republican lead-to-day tabbed their \$4,700,000,000 tax cut bill for action

Republicans Push

Early Action Slated

**Caught In Closet** 

Kids' Hiding Place

Almost Death Trap

for one major change Son Tries Eviction

#### WEATHER

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Fish Are Lost As Valve Gate Is Opened

## Vandals Drain Freedom Park Lake Spread Of

By DICK YOUNG
Charlotte News Staff Writer
s Invaded Freedom Park last night, cut a valve chain,
valve gate, releasing the water from the five-acre lake
yed most of the fish.

rk this morning.

At the request of J. B. Marshall, engineer for the Charlotte K Association, which developed the park with \$200,000 raised in bile subscription, police detectives are conducting an intensive estigation and Mr. Marshall said that the culprits, if found, will prosecuted to the limit of the law.

Mr. Marshall said a mower, wheelbarrows, and other conuction equipment, were wheeled to the lakeside and then dumped on the water.

**Police Checking** 

On Cause Of Fire

In releasing the water from the lake, the vandals used a hammer and chied, which was later found nearby, to cut the chainwhich held down and incided the valve. After that was done, the
cased the valve.

It was a supplied to the later valve age, which reLast Fall the lake was stocked with \$5.000 bream fingertlings and
Mr. Marshall expressed the fear that most of these were lost
hibbough the destructive act was discovered before all of the water
and drained out.

Mr. Marshall sald that the destruction must have been the
handlwork of lodder persons because it takes two workmen to open
and close the large valve. Children would not have been able to
complete the plo, Mr. Marshall sald.

This is but another record of vandalism which has occurred her
to the last year or so when bousses have been invaded and destruclon wreaked and when parks and other public places have been
multilated.

No Agreement Reached

### **Democratic Committee Debates Rights Program**

Incendiarism Hinted

ASHEVILLE — (AP) — Police Chief Eric Hall said y an investigation was under way to determine whether spital fire that took nine lives had been set.



#### **Jury Gets Meyers Case**

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON — (AP)—
President Truman today pitted this country's full political power and prestige
against the spread of Communism anywhere — including China.

Communism

Is Emerging

Marshall Cites

'Great Crisis'

#### Judge Comes To Aid Of Harassed Mother

## Kindness Of Hospital

#### Gypsy Rose Lee Will

#### Carrier For 'Hot' Atoms Chemical Discovery May Prove

Valuable In Cancer Treatment