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Sinclair Lewis Dies In Rome Clinic At 65

ROME — (AP) — Sinclair Lewis, bitingly realistic novelist of modern American life who brought American literature its first Nobel Prize, died here today. He would have been 66 next Feb. 7.

The noted author of 21 books, most of them best sellers, died at the Villa Electra Clinic, where he had been a patient with bronchial pneumonia since Dec. 31. Hospital attendants said he suffered also from an inflammation of the heart.

Charles George Rabbitt, the typical American businessman of the 1920's, Lewis made literary history along with such searching studies of American life as "Main Street," "Arrowsmith," "Elmer Gantry," "Dodsworth," "I Can't Happen Here" and "King's Ransom."

WON NOBEL PRIZE

He was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1930, chiefly for "Babbalanza," published in 1920. Four years before he had refused a Pulitzer Prize because he disagreed with the terms of the Pulitzer's will setting up the prize.

His last book, "The God-Seeker," was published in 1949.

The famous author had been under treatment for some time. Friends said he realized his death was near and wanted to die in Italy, where he wrote "Babbalanza" and where he met his second wife, Columbian Commentator Dorothy Thompson.

After a visit to Italy in 1949, he See SINCLAIR on page 6-A

Truman To Ask Tax To Balance Budget

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Secretary of the Treasury Snyder said today President Truman will call on Congress to raise taxes to balance the budget.

Snyder refused to give any figures as to how much taxes that would involve — or how much the budget will be in the fiscal year beginning July 1.

There were indications elsewhere that a tax hike of perhaps \$200,000,000 or more is being considered by the House.

— The President is going to say that the taxes to protect revenues will be levied in mid-summer. Snyder added.

DELAY HINTED

Earlier news had been talk on Capitol Hill that taxpayers might get a year's breather before taking on the new tax law. Snyder, the chairman of the House tax committee said he expects new laws to be enacted by mid-summer.

Snyder emphasized he is in full accord with the party's position and will back the President's tax boosting program to the hilt.

The question of the timing of his recent remarks to the Army War College about the possibility of paying for a "full-scale war effort" out of tax revenue without serious damage to the economy. He said that applied to a condition of all-out war — not the defense program of the present situation.

Snyder said "exploratory" talks

Our Weather

Fair and warmer this afternoon, partly cloudy and warmer tonight and Thursday with showers. Predicted low for tonight, 38 degrees.

More Weather Data on Page 6-A

A DOOR IN THE FLOOR

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Marshall, Rosenberg Outline Plan Universal Service Act Also Asked

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Defense Dept. called today for the immediate drafting of 450,000 eighteen-year-olds to build up the armed forces.

Secretary of Defense Marshall and Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg, assistant secretary, outlined the proposal to a Senate armed services subcommittee in urging implementation of a universal military service and training program making every citizen an eighteen-year-old liable for 27 months service.

Mr. Rosenberg said that unless the armed services can call on the eighteen-year-olds they will have to ask Congress to let them draft young married men.

She said in that case, fathers as well as husbands would be called from the 19-25 age brackets. They are now exempt.

The proposal from the defense officials lined up in this manner:

1. Enact long term legislation aimed at requiring training and service of all physically and mentally fit young men beginning at age 18.

2. Until that program can be handled, take the eighteen-year-olds who are now exempt, their parents estimated that 450,000 eighteen-year-olds could be called in the first year under the program.

3. She also estimated 1,050,000 young men would reach the age of eighteen in the twelve months ending next July and said "it might be possible" to grant one year deferments to those who have not attained the age of eighteen years and four or five months at the time the proposal became law.

OK'D BY TRUMAN

Asked if the program had "the complete approval" of President Truman, Mr. Rosenberg said it did.

Marshall told the Senate a system of "universal military service and training represents what I believe is the best way to meet our immediate need for enlarged combat forces and at the same time to build up a reserve army of our military strength."

Army chief of staff and former Secretary of State, was the first witness at what Chairman J. Morgan Kousser said of the subcommittee said would be an overall hearing on manpower problems.

Under the present draft law, boys of 18 are required to register but they cannot be drafted until they reach age 19. Their service after that is limited to 12 months.

The present draft law expires next July 2. The Senate subcommittee has been hearing for several days on questions as to how long the law should be extended and with what changes.

Marshall said he felt 18-year-olds should be called for actual service.

"The program proposes that young men reaching the age of 18 fulfill their obligation for the nation's defense by entering the armed forces for 27 months of service and training," Marshall said. "Immediately thereafter they would enroll in a reserve term in a reserve component."

In his State of the Union message, Mr. Roosevelt said the nation called for extension and retraining.

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Acheson Would Talk With Taft

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Secretary of State Acheson said today he would be glad to talk with Senator Taft, or any other member of what he called the minority party, on foreign policy matters.

Answering questions at a news conference, Acheson also told reporters he thought failure of the United Nations to solve the problem of the Korean crisis would naturally diminish the prestige of the United States.

But he characterized as an overstatement a suggestion that the U. S. failure to take the strong action now would wreck the organization.

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Dentures Birthday Gift For Girl—Aged Three

DURHAM, N.C. — (AP) — Joan Scott gave a big smile today to show the latest present she received for her third birthday—a full set of false teeth.

Joan, a pretty blonde, began losing her baby teeth a year ago. By last December she was toothless.

Permanent teeth don't start coming in until a child is six or so and Joan needed a long spell of looking like a little old woman.

A sympathetic dentist came to the rescue with the special set of dentures.

Father Of New Quads Gads Half Of Bunch Are Boys

FONTIC, Mich. — (AP) — Quadruplets born to a young couple and two surviving girls—were born today to the 34-year-old wife of a stone mason.

The mother, Mrs. Anne Rosebush, and the four infants who weighed from 10 to 12 pounds each, were reported "doing just fine" at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

The father, Kenneth, 38, was born in 1912 and has four other children. The Rosebushs already have four other girls ranging from seven to fifteen years of age.

The girls were named Kristal and Kristen, the boys Kenneth Jr. and Keith.

"The boy" was the weary father's only comment before he took to a special room in the hospital to sleep. He had paced the corridors all night.

A battery of doctors delivered the



REDS RELEASE PICTURES OF U. S. PRISONERS

These photos, according to the Communist source from which they were received, show the capture of American soldiers by Chinese forces. The red caption with the picture above says "fleeing American soldiers . . . intercepted by the Chinese People's Volunteers, after the Wenshan battle." Below: "Prisoners of war from the American First Cavalry Division register with an officer of the Chinese People's Volunteers." Eastphoto from Acme Telephoto.)

Measure Offered In Senate

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Lewis Opposes Wage Freeze

WASHINGTON — (AP) — John L. Lewis, top leader of the United Mine Workers' union, today opposed any wage freeze. He said the economy could be stabilized through collective bargaining.

The United Mine Workers' leaders to appear before the industry board to appear before the industry board to appear before the industry board.

Economy Advocates To Head House Committees

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Two veteran legislators — both strong advocates of economy in government — today were named chairmen of the important House Finance and Appropriations Committees.

House Speaker W. Frank Taylor of Wayne picked Rep. Larry I. Moore Jr. of Wilson to head the Appropriations Committee and Rep. E. T. Best Jr. of Cabarrus, as chairman of the Finance group.

Suffer From Incurable Disease

NEW YORK — (AP) — Four young brothers mark time in their Manhattan apartment, calmly awaiting death from a disease for which there is no cure.

The Godfrey brothers, George Jr., 24, Roy, 21, Robert, 18, and Michael, 15, are suffering from muscular dystrophy, the dread progressive disease that always ends up attacking the respiratory powers.

Ten years ago red-haired Roy was a healthy and happy child. He began to climb the five flights of stairs to his room and to walk with a limp. The doctors finally diagnosed the disease as muscular dystrophy.

Out in the Pacific, George's father, the family, works at night as a writer.

Communists. Massed For New Attack

TOKYO — (AP) — A small tank-led American and French force fought through a crust of Red Koreans today into the key road-rail center of Wonju. The Allies found the town empty.

Allied intelligence said, however, the Reds have 200 tanks and 500 Chinese planes poised farther north for a big push into the heart of South Korea. It said the Communists have massed a force of possibly 280,000 troops for a new offensive.

The Allies had abandoned Wonju to the Reds only Monday after two weeks of fighting for the gateway town to South Korea's interior.

Fighting swirled in new battles near the beachhead. The Allied Artillery Corps occupied the sharp details but permitted the Red Second Division supported by French forces to attack strong enemy forces in the area.

REDS COUNTER-ATTACK

A brief A. P. dispatch from the Second Division front indicated the Korean Reds had counter-attacked in the area of the beachhead. It said that an attempt to outflank the Allied position had failed. The high point of the enemy attack came at 2 P. M. (1 A. M. EST), the dispatch said. The Allied Artillery barrage was stepped up greatly but bad weather held off air support for the second day.

At nightfall a small American force still occupied the beachhead, 10 miles south of the border in the center of the Korean peninsula.

A tank-supported company of the Second Division swept into the town from the beachhead, 10 miles south of the border in the center of the Korean peninsula.

There were no Reds in the city, A. P. Correspondent.

CONTROLS ROADS

Wonju controls a key of roads leading into the heart of South Korea.

The attack by the Second Division, veterans of the Nakdong and Chongchon River battles was the biggest United Nations offensive effort in Korea.

Gen. MacArthur Denies Withdrawal Proposal

TOKYO — (AP) — Gen. MacArthur's official spokesman today denied there were any plans to a story printed in the United States that the general had recommended withdrawal of all United Nations forces from Korea.

He referred to a copyrighted story in the United States. Daily News correspondent covering MacArthur's headquarters, said the general had recommended withdrawal of all United Nations forces from Korea. Beech said he obtained his information from a "reliable source."

Four Brothers Await Death In N. Y. Flat

The only hope left, said Mrs. Godfrey, lies in Dr. A. T. Milburn, who is giving his full time to the fight against the disease. He is on the staff of the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center.

Mrs. Godfrey said that Dr. Milburn tries all the new treatments on Roy. When the 10-day-a-hospital bill got to be too much, the doctor said it himself.

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