

"Cooking on the front burner is a group of boys at Central High School, the only all-Black Home Economics Class in this section. Then newspaper tells about it on page 14."

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MACARTHUR SPEAKS HIS MIND



These two photos of Gen. Douglas MacArthur were taken as he lambasted the nation's diplomatic and military policies during his address before the American Legion convention at Miami Wednesday afternoon. (A.C.M. Telephoto).

M'Arthur Wrong, Truman Says

WASHINGTON —(AP)—President Truman said today Gen. Douglas MacArthur's charge that his opposition "wrecked the secret plan" to let Formosa fall to the Chinese Reds was not based on fact and the General knew it.

Mr. Truman's comment was in reply to questions at his news conference. MacArthur made his assertion in a speech to the American Legion convention in Miami yesterday. The General said, too, that the plan also would have given Red China a seat in the United Nations.

TRUCE TALKS TAKE HOPEFUL TURN

Reds Leave West Defenses

U. S. EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea (U)—Chinese suddenly abandoned a series of key hills in Western Korea at attacking Americans today. But they stiffened against Allies' crumblings toward the Chinese. Chinese deserted stronghold in the center.

HORSE-TRADING FARMER LANDS IN SOVIET JAIL

BERLIN—(AP)—A horse trader landed a Soviet zone farmer in jail for a year today as a "threat" to the people's economy. The Brandenburg newspaper Märkische Union said the farmer brought two small pigs, a cow and his 20-year-old plow on his return. He was arrested by the Communist police. The court ruled the farmer violated the law by taking livestock out of the east zone. But because he appeared to get the best of the deal, he "got off" with only a year's imprisonment, the paper said.

President Asks Speedy Action On New Tax Bill

WASHINGTON —(U)—Administration leaders in Congress cast about for a new compromise on a multi-billion dollar tax increase today with a nod from the White House to seek all possible speed.

While the conferences were going on at the Capitol, President Truman told reporters he was concerned about the situation and about the delay in enacting tax legislation.

Delay may make a considerable difference in the amount of additional revenue collected this year from any bill finally written into law.

Asked if he is confident Congress will pass a tax bill, Mr. Truman said he hoped so but was not confident about anything Congress might do.

The President also said he thinks there should be a \$10,000,000,000 tax increase. This is the amount he has asked all along.

The Senate and House members who have the job of clearing up the present middle on a tax legislation appeared to be hopeful of an early result.

Although surface indications of any agreement were lacking, the peace-makers seemed cautiously optimistic of working out a measure mutually acceptable to the Senate and to the Republican-Northern Democratic combination that trounced the original \$5,752,000,000 compromise tax bill in the House Tuesday.

The conference was called in session after an exploratory meeting yesterday which produced no tangible result.

FRIDAY DATE SOUGHT

Democratic Leader McCormack of Massachusetts told the House after that meeting "it is hoped" that the new compromise will be ready by Friday. If that happens, and if prompt Senate and House approval is secured, the legislation would still be possible on Saturday, as originally planned.

The four Democrats on the House Finance Committee, including staff aides and Treasury experts on possible revisions. There were public consultation moves by the three Republican colleagues, or from the five Senate conferees.

It is not even possible "package" settlements were rumored around the Capitol, the men trying to settle the dispute confronted the new compromise.

An attempt had to be made to satisfy (1) Republicans who want no tax increase or who consider the proposed rise too high, and (2) a bloc of Democrats who insist the original compromise hit the low income groups too hard and let off corporations and wealthy individuals too lightly.

BOREAS CAVE

Did you ever encounter a "cave of Boreas"? Boreas was an early denigrated of the ancient Greeks, who was supposed to be the god of the blustery north wind. According to legend, he used to be, as he is now, a cave. This cave, however, was not a cave, but a fact that there are caves with two openings at slightly different levels which give out, on hot days, a strong and continuous cold blast from the lower opening. Dense cold air entering the upper opening sinks down and pours out the lower mouth of the cave, as the wind through a narrow tunnel is forced to do.

OUR WEATHER

Mostly fair weather tonight and Friday with little change in temperature.

Highest yesterday 77 degrees.

Lowest this morning 55 degrees.

Sunrise, 6:21 A. M.; sunset, 5:45 P. M.

More Weather Data on page 13-A

WASHINGTON —(AP)—President Truman made it clear today that he doesn't intend to say before mid-January, at the earliest, whether or not he will run for re-election.

In a bantering exchange with reporters, Mr. Truman repeated that he has made up his mind but said he would not disclose his decision until it was politically expedient.

In a more serious vein, the President said he would be busy until mid-January preparing three messages to the new session of Congress and would not have time for other things until they were of a report.

A reporter told Mr. Truman that Senator Taft (R-Ohio) when announcing his candidacy for the Republican Presidential nomination, had said he would like to see Mr. Truman as his Democratic opponent.

"Will you accommodate Senator Taft," the reporter asked.

The President said he couldn't answer that question now. He said he had made up his mind what he is going to do but he proposed to pick the time of his announcement.

DODGES VINSON QUESTION

Asked whether he would like to see Chief Justice Vinson, because he does not make the race himself, the President said he would answer that question when he made his announcement.

Another newsman asked what he thought of Taft's pronouncements as to what would be the issues of the Presidential campaign.

With a grin, Mr. Truman replied that he (the President) is against Taft.

When the questions switched to the recent resignation of William M. Boyle Jr., as Democratic national chairman.

Boyle had been under criticism from Republicans, in connection with charges of influence on Government spending, and gave up his health, no matter what he has been said about his action.

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