

McCarty's Attack  
Anticipating Senator McCarty's attack on Secretary Marshall at the State Department, Stewart Alsop reveals the strategy of the Wisconsin socialist in a column "McCarty's Attack on Today's Country" on today's page, 12-A.

# Truman asks Congress to raise Hope For Stronger Controls

## 40 Reported Trapped In Montreal Blaze

MONTREAL, June 15.—Forty persons were reported trapped and at least two died today in a raging fire at the Roman Catholic Hospice St. Cuneude, a home for the aged and orphans here.

Some 200 children, apparently all the children who had been housed in the building, were taken to safety by nuns, but a number of aged persons, mostly women, were still on the upper floors of the stone and wooden five-story structure more than an hour after the blaze broke out.

Most of the old men lived on the lower floors of the building and it was believed most of or all of them escaped.

Shortly after the fire broke out a fireman said he knew of the

## Fresh Red roops Stiffen Defenses

By OLEN CLEMENTS  
TOKYO, June 15.—Large numbers of fresh Red troops were reported digging in today on the rain-swept ridges of eastern Manchuria.

Reds battled United Nations tanks on the central front, but vanished completely in the west. Allied columns were reported on two roads toward Kungsheng, near Chinese base in the center. One patrol moved through a mine field south of Kungsheng. It met only scattered Red troops and then clanked out of Kumbha, eleven

## West Proposes Big Parley

LONDON, June 15.—The United States, Britain and France suggested to Russia today Big Four foreign ministers should meet to discuss easing world tensions on the basis of agreement already reached by their deputies in Paris.

Identical American, British and French notes handed to Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko in Paris called for a Big Four parley to discuss the efforts by the deputies to complete agreement on the agenda.

The deputies have been trying vainly to hammer out an agenda for the parley since March 8.

## OUR WEATHER

Partly cloudy and continued warm tonight and Saturday. Widely scattered showers 7-9 P. M.

Summit 5.98 A. M.; sunset 7:39 P. M.

More Weather Data on Page 4-A

## TV, 'Other Factors' Blamed Many Seats Empty As MacArthur Talks

HOUSTON, Texas.—A crowd of 20,000, which filled only one-third of the seats in huge Rice Stadium, last night heard General Douglas MacArthur decry the fear of Communism.

The five-star general stated that vast expanses of empty space as he carried his anti-Administration stand to this city of more than half-a-million population.

"I find prejudice throughout the land," he said, "because of fear generated by false propaganda that we are being invaded. We must appease and compromise to encourage others to desert from attacking."

This was the core of his second report from a flag draped platform on the field of Rice Institute's stadium.

The 71-year-old general continued his whirlwind tour of Texas at San Antonio and Dallas today as winds whip up with a speech at Fort

## President Makes Plea To Public Urges Support For Program

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST  
WASHINGTON, June 15.—President Truman's plea for his anti-inflation program has first administration leaders in Congress with hope that a wave of public opinion may help them win more powerful economic controls.

Despite Mr. Truman's public declaration last night that runaway inflation could be a Russian global victory "without firing a shot," the controls legislation was still in trouble on both sides of the Capitol.

Congressional sentiment appeared strong for continuance, with special interests to be protected. Defense Production Act instead of the new and tougher law asked by the president.

In carrying his appeal to the people by television and radio, Mr. Truman said:

"This is a fight for everyone to join—a fight for the very life of this nation. We've got to have a good, strong inflation-control law on the books if we are going to have any chance of winning this emergency successfully."

## Rent Control Extension OK'd

WASHINGTON, June 15.—The Senate Banking Committee agreed today to extend Federal rent controls beyond June 30 and apply them to "critical defense areas."

No definite time was set, however, for the length of the extension.

At the same time, the committee decided:

1. Not to interfere with existing state or local rent regulations such as those now in effect in New York State. The Federal rent control program would take over, however, if the local or state rents were found to exceed the national level over a period of six months.

2. To drop proposals for Federal rent control over commercial properties.

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A CONVERTIBLE SANDWICH  
This convertible was telescoped between two trucks in Akron, Ohio but its two occupants escaped unharmed. The truck at the right came up at a high rate of speed and pushed the car into the truck at the left as they were waiting for a red light to change. (Acme Telephoto).

## Federal School Aid Proposal Revived

By BARNEY LIVINGSTONE  
WASHINGTON, June 15.—A fresh effort has been started to get Congress to vote federal aid to states for schools.

Center of the last Congress, the issue was revived Tuesday by Rep. Barden (D-NC), chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee.

He introduced in the House a bill authorizing federal payment of \$300 million a year to help the states defray the cost of running their public school systems.

Federal money could be used only for (1) teachers' salaries, (2) the pay of supervisory administrative and maintenance personnel, (3) purchase of school laboratory equipment, and (4) building maintenance.

## Rail Unions To Consider Offer

WASHINGTON, June 15.—Heads of three operating rail unions are expected to Washington, June 21 to consider the railroad's latest contract offer in the long deadlocked dispute.

Although the leaders of the engineers, firemen and engine-men and conductors declined to discuss the offer or their reaction to it, it was understood to be virtually identical to that accepted on May 25 by the four operating union, the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

The offer would receive a wage increase of 18 1/2 cents an hour and those in yard service 35 cents.

The 40-hour week would be delayed for the time being in the trainmen's agreement and the offer to the three other unions. The complex rules changes would be arbitrated and in the meantime there would be a moratorium on proposals until 1953.

## John Foster Dulles Returns From London

NEW YORK, June 15.—John Foster Dulles returned today from London where he has been representing the United States in drafting a Japanese peace treaty.

Dulles transferred from a Pan-American plane to a chartered plane for a flight to Washington. He said he would not discuss the treaty terms until he had conferred with President Truman.

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## Step Never Decided By State Dept.

Inchon Landing  
MacArthur Idea  
WASHINGTON, June 15.—Louis Johnson testified today that as Secretary of Defense he feared the United States was moving toward recognition of Red China.

Johnson told the Senate's MacArthur inquiry that he "never knew of any decision by the State Department, despite the British talk and the British recognition, for to recognize." Then he added:

"But because of the things that were said in those days, I feared that we would not oppose their becoming a member of the United Nations and that we would have to recognize them."

"We of the military particularly worried about the Inchon landing, another vote on the (United Nations) Security Council antagonistic to the fundamental interests of the United States and for Communism."

## John Thinks U. S. Could Defeat Russia

WASHINGTON, June 15.—Louis Johnson today agreed with Sen. Morse (R-Ore.) that "we could lick Russia right now if she would pick a fight with us."

Johnson, former Secretary of Defense, declared he believes with Russia it is not inevitable, and added:

"I do not think that Russia is ready for war, although a pistol shot might start it."

## MacArthur's Chance to Call It Off

WASHINGTON, June 15.—President Truman today said that the possibility of an early draft of the State Department's 1949 white paper on the recent highly critical Chinese Embassy's Nationalist government. Johnson said some of the material in the Defense Department's files conflicted with things in the proposed draft. And before publication of the final draft, Johnson said he raised "the question of the political advisability of the document."

He regarded the State Department memorandum of Dec. 23, 1949 which forecast the fall of Nationalist China as "a very serious document" and instructed employees to discuss the strategic value of the island.

## FARMER BREEZE

PUSAN, Korea, June 15.—President Syngman Rhee, 75, bared his arms and legs today and worked in a rice field with this food-short nation observed "Farmer's Day."

This would mean that, once the 150-pupul goal is reached, the state may use the funds to develop rural or Negro schools if it desired.

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