

House Votes \$40 Billion Defense Money Bill; Ike Vetoes Federal Pay Hike

American Oil Properties In Cuba Seized

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Cuba's seizure of American oil properties has played into the hands of the Soviet trade offensive in Latin America and poses a knotty diplomatic problem for the United States on how to beat it.

U.S. officials feared that Wednesday's takeover of the Texaco refinery in Cuba and the threatened seizure of American Esso and British-Dutch Shell refineries would thrust Cuba toward greater reliance on Iron Curtain barter trade.

The Texaco seizure came after the three big oil firms refused an order to refine Soviet crude oil which Cuba is importing in exchange for sugar.

Cannot Collect Bills
Premier Fidel Castro's currency restrictions have prevented the American firms from collecting some \$50 million in bills they were owed for their Cuban operations. Cuba has expropriated \$300 million to \$450 million in other American properties without compensation.

To put it mildly, these difficulties for private enterprise are unlikely to encourage free world investment in Cuba.

Meanwhile, Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev made it clear in Romania last week that expanding trade with underdeveloped areas was a main item of Soviet policy.

Signs Trade Agreements
Cuba has signed trade agreements with East Germany, Poland and Czechoslovakia recently.

The State Department Wednesday blasted the action against Texaco as "a naked seizure... in contravention of the norms of conduct by responsible government."

For the United States the problem was how to curb the Communist-like "infection" in Cuba without putting Washington in the role of unilaterally cracking down on a small Latin American neighbor.

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Bodies Of Two Boys Found

MAUSTON, Wis. (UPI)—Bodies of two of the six boys missing from the Ukrainian youth camp since Tuesday night were pulled from the Wisconsin River today.

They were identified as those of Ihor Lewytsky, Minneapolis, Minn., and George Trytchan, Chicago.

Lewytsky's body was the first one found when the dragging operations were resumed today. It was about one-quarter mile downstream from where the boys disappeared Tuesday night when they let go of a guide line while wading across the river.

Trytchan's body was located about 50 feet away.

Two other bodies were located and then lost again in the same area when the grappling lines of the searchers broke.

The search was called off Wednesday night because of high water on the river, which is about a mile in width at the point where the bodies were found. It was slowed by continued high water and by underwater objects.

In an effort to lower the water level the Wisconsin Public Service Commission ordered the dams above the scene closed. Skin divers were to be employed today.

New Scout Troop Is Presented Charter

Decatur's newest Boy Scout troop, St. Mary's troop 64, was presented its charter Wednesday evening at a program at the Catholic school.

Carl Braun, institutional representative, accepted the charter on behalf of St. Mary's parish from Dan Freeby, neighborhood commissioner, southern district, culminating months of organizational efforts.

David Teeveer, troop advancement representative, presided at the meeting and introduced the troop leadership committee. Lowell J. Smith, veteran Scout leader, responded with a splendid talk on "Scouting in Decatur," and gave many valuable suggestions and advice to the Scouts, parents and Scout leaders in attendance.

The Rev. Robert Jaeger, assistant pastor of St. Mary's church, spoke briefly on the troop chaplain's responsibility.

The program was climaxed with an impressive candlelight ceremony under the direction of Medford Smith, Scoutmaster of troop 64, and aided by assistant Scoutmasters James Roop and Don Miller, who invested the following Scouts with tenderfoot badges:

Mariano Alonis, Ronald Andrews, Stephen Bentz, David Braun, David Equia, Frank Equia, James Eiting, Tom Fawchild, Al Fullenkamp, Pat Gage, Joe Gase, Ralph Geels, John Gerber, George Gordon, Jose Guerra, David Hackman.

William Hain, Ed Hammond, Jim Heilmann, John Heilmann, Lawrence Heilmann, Dan Hess, John Hobbs, Don Kaehr, Domingo Lopez, Jr., Tom Lose, Gerry Meyer, Harold Meyer, Larry Meyer, James Miller, Peter Miller, Richard Miller, Robert Miller, Thomas Miller, Dan Rickard, Joel Salazar, Ronald Schnepf, Bill Schuler, Leo Schurger, David Teeple, Stephen Teeple, William Tricker, Thomas Vian.

Ridgeville Youth Is Accidentally Killed

MUNCIE, Ind. (UPI)—Leslie J. Lee, 18, Ridgeville, was shot and killed accidentally Wednesday while riding in a car with four teen-aged companions on a crowd hunt east of here.

Sheriff Jack Ripley said it was "a bunch of damned foolishness" to take the boys into the river with only a length of clothesline to hang on to.

Cross at Dusk
Camp leader Rostydau Bojowyz, 21, was leading the boys across the 75-foot-wide river at dusk when he suddenly stepped into a hole and went under.

The 18 boys clinging to the rope—and ordinary clothesline—panicked and let go. Bojowyz quickly recovered his footing, but was unable to save his campers.

Twelve of the boys, and 14 others who jumped in from the shore to help, were rescued after grasping tree stumps or limbs.

Dist. Atty. Roland Vieth said "apparently this was a well-meaning operation, but it showed a distinct lack of judgement. It was an operation that might have been questionable for the U.S. Marines."

Camp Director, Dr. Walter Pomirko suffered a mild heart attack during the search. He said the boys often waded the river when it was low and apparently "didn't check the river" before going in Tuesday.

Pomirko said the Chicago headquarters of the camp notified him to close it for the season. It was founded two years ago.

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INDIANA WEATHER

Considerable cloudiness, scattered showers and thunderstorms mainly central and south this afternoon and tonight. Chance of locally heavy rainfall central and south. A little cooler extreme north. Friday mostly sunny north, mostly cloudy, scattered showers and thunderstorms south. A little cooler most sections. Low tonight near 60° extreme north to upper 60s° extreme south, high Friday 70s° north to lower 80s° extreme south. Sunset 8:17 p.m., e.d.t. sunrise Friday 5:21 a.m. Outlook for Saturday: Considerable cloudiness and mild with chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low Friday night 60 to 68, high Saturday 74 to 82.

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ONE STEP FURTHER—Beating wheat into plowshares is fine, but farmer William A. Weller of Portersville, Pa., has gone one better. He's turned a plow into a mailbox holder.

Truman Resigns As Convention Delegate

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. (UPI)—Former President Truman remained silent today about his unexpected resignation as a Missouri delegate to the Democratic National Convention, while speculation increased on how his action would affect the presidential hopes of Sen. Stuart Symington.

Truman had announced earlier he would support Symington for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Truman, in a terse telegram Wednesday to Missouri Gov. James T. Blair Jr., said he was resigning as a delegate and also would not attend the party's convention, beginning July 11 in Los Angeles. He gave no explanation.

His private secretary, Miss Rose Conway, said the 76-year-old former chief executive would hold a press conference Saturday "presumably to explain his reasons for deciding not to go to Los Angeles."

Only last week, at a rally for Symington in Kansas City, Truman told 600 supporters of the Missouri Senator:

"I'm for Stu, and I'm going to stay with him until the last dog dies."

Nearly \$600 Given To Chilean Relief

Mrs. Wanda Oelberg announced today that \$597.07 has been sent as the final payment for the Chilean relief fund from Adams county. \$50 of that money was given by the Junior Red Cross.

Money was also received from two bank collections, the Berne Community Chest, the Decatur Rotary club, the Geneva Lions club, the Pleasant Mills Lions club, the Monroe Lions, and the Berean class.

Individual donations were received from the following: Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Gerke, Miss Glenys Roop, Mr. and Mrs. G. Sprague, Mrs. Gayle Bittner, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Zimmerman, O. Boerger, Florence Schnitz, Cecil Harvey, Naomi Schug, Bernice Franz, Fernet Kunkin, C. D. Hocker, Gertrude Holthouse, H. T. Fields, Mrs. Pearl Selschott, Edwin Adler, Grover Romney, and many more people as "A Friend."

Wilbur Petrie, chairman of the Adams county Red Cross, expressed his thanks for the cooperation by the people of Adams county.

Summer Schedule At Decatur's Library

Miss Bertha Heller, librarian, announced today that the Decatur public library will be closed all day Monday, July 4, and that summer hours will be in effect at the library, beginning Tuesday.

During the summer months, the library will open at 12 noon and close at 8:30 p.m. Mondays and Saturdays, and on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, the library will open at 12 noon and close at 6 p.m.

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Expect Thousands Here Over Holiday

Decatur, normally a quiet little city on the Fourth of July holiday, will be the scene for thousands of visitors this weekend, attracted by the highly interesting post office exhibit at the Youth and Community Center.

The exhibit, open to the public without charge, will open at 10 o'clock Sunday morning and will be on display throughout the day and also all day Monday, July 4.

The various displays to be shown here as a feature of the annual Indiana rural letter carriers' association convention, are valued at several million dollars.

One of the top features will be a stamp collection, valued alone at more than \$1 million. The Decatur showing will be the first for this collection in any city in the Middle West. When on display in New York City, the stamp collection attracted more than 700,000 persons.

Many other displays from the post office department will be shown here. They include all the various modes of transportation used down through the years by the U.S. post office department for delivery of mail.

Banquet Monday
The highlight of the convention itself will be the annual banquet at the Center Monday evening. The convention will close with a business session and election of officers Tuesday morning. Following the Tuesday noon luncheon, the carriers will be guided on a tour of the Central Soya plant here.

Approximately 500 persons are expected to attend the state convention, but the exhibits will attract many thousands more.

Suspend Business
Most business, as usual, will be suspended all day Monday, including the post office. Only mail delivered will be special delivery, with the post office lobby open on the usual holiday schedule, and outgoing mail dispatches as usual.

All federal, state, county and city offices will be closed Monday, as will the First State Bank and the public library. The Daily Democrat will not publish an edition Monday.

Exceptions to the Monday closing will be the theater, taverns, some restaurants, confectioneries and service stations.

Lovers of fireworks displays will have two opportunities to watch the pyrotechnics over the holiday. The residents of the Highway Trailer Park, South 13th street, invite the public to watch the fireworks there Saturday night at approximately 9 o'clock.

The Drive-in theater, southeast of Decatur on U.S. highway 33, will present its annual fireworks show Monday night, some time after darkness sets in.

Burdick Takes 521-Vote Lead

BISMARCK, N.D. (UPI)—Democratic Rep. Quentin Burdick strengthened his narrow lead in the stretch of North Dakota in down-to-the-wire special senatorial election today.

Republican Gov. John Davis, carrying his party's hopes in this wheat belt weather-vane contest in a presidential election year, refused to concede pending a check by county canvassing boards but said he would retire from politics if he's beaten.

Jack Swensen, state GOP executive director, called Burdick the apparent victor. But he said some counting errors had been discovered and "apparently there is reason to believe that other errors may have been made."

With only 19 precincts still unreported out of the state's 2,312, Burdick held a 521-vote lead. He had 103,871 votes to 103,350 for Davis.

Recount Is Likely
The count was unofficial and it was obvious that an official canvass would be needed to determine the victor. A recount was likely, Burdick told United Press International. "I'd have to be supplied with information that something was amiss before I could ask for a recount."

The edge Burdick held was so razor-thin that debate was sure to rage for weeks over the election's significance in predicting which way the farm belt will go in the November general election.

Davis discounted the outcome as a test of wheat country sentiment. "If it does turn out that I'm defeated, it's the city vote that beat me," he said. "The Democrats just worked harder in the cities and they got more people out to the polls."

Some Returns in Mail
The two-term governor and war hero conceded that precincts still missing at 12:30 p.m. "generally come in Democratic." But he added:

"I'll wait until the county canvassing boards meet to check over the vote. If it's against me, I'll retire from politics."

Votes from remote western plains communities were struggling in with the issue still in doubt at mid-morning. All counting was believed to have been completed at local level but some election workers had mailed the returns to county seats on slow-moving mail trains without telephoning their results to state election headquarters.

Discovery of a clerical error by one auditor, in Dunn County, early today took about 130 votes away from Davis and added to Burdick's total.

The Democrat, riding a wave of apparent farm belt protest votes, had recovered from an 11,000 vote deficit and turned the race into a neck-and-neck contest.

Neither Burdick nor Davis would claim victory or admit defeat early today.

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Dick Harman Dies Wednesday Evening

Amos (Dick) Harman, 65, of 710 Elm street, owner and operator of the Harman Market, Seventh and Adams streets, died at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening at Parkview memorial hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been admitted earlier in the day. He had been ill four days with a heart condition.

Mr. Harman, formerly employed at the Mutscher Packing Co. and the General Electric Co., had operated the market since 1948.

He was born at Willshire, O., Oct. 16, 1894, a son of William and Abigail Erickson-Harman, and was married to Virgie Stetler Dec. 23, 1919.

Mr. Harman was a member of the Bethany Evangelical United Brethren church and the Loyal Order of Moose.

Surviving in addition to his wife are a son, Donald C. Harman of Decatur; one daughter, Mrs. Harry (Betty) Mauller of Decatur; seven grandchildren; two brothers, Cornelius Harman of Wren, O., and Oscar Harman of Decatur route 5, and one sister, Nora Harman of near Peterson. One son, Robert, is deceased.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Zwick funeral home, the Rev. Lawrence T. Norris officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today until time of the services. The Moose lodge will hold memorial services at the funeral home at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Decorate City For Carriers Convention

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