

Reds Concede Setback on U.S. Campuses

Dissolve AYD, Devised to Snare College Youths

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 19—American Communists have just suffered a jarring defeat on the college campuses of the United States.

Their set-back among American youth is quite as important as the reverses recently suffered by Communists in their efforts to dominate or infiltrate big labor unions, especially within the CIO.

Communist propaganda is beginning to be a hard bill of goods to sell in the United States. The Communists themselves admit defeat on the campuses.

They invaded the colleges as patriots and believers in democracies. One of their great objectives was to obtain moral leadership of the hundreds of thousands of GI Bill of Rights students. That has failed. But the Communists concede defeat for the time being, only. They are backing up now for a new start.

Defeat Conceded

Defeat was conceded by the Daily Worker, New York Communist newspaper, which has announced dissolution of an outfit known as American Youth for Democracy, AYD for short.

AYD was invented by the Communists on Oct. 17, 1943, to snare young Americans in college. On that date the Communist authorities assembled a convention of an organization then in existence known as the Young Communist League.

Mr. Gates told the assembled delegates that the time had come for the YCL to disappear and the delegates voted the organization out of existence. Immediately the delegates organized themselves into American Youth for Democracy.

Out of Business

The name changes were intended to improve the chances of recruiting supporters. American Youth for Democracy was a fine sounding title with no hint of the Communist nature of its direction. It claimed to have organized at least 60 chapters in as many colleges and universities shortly after its creation in 1943.

AYD headquarters admitted existence of chapters in the District of Columbia and in 14 states. But AYD leaders are cautious about identifying campuses but one was known to be at Harvard.

AYD has now gone out of business. But it may reappear with a new name, so far undisclosed, as an undisguised Communist organization as it was in the beginning, or in a new mask.

Red Inquiry to Ask Mrs. Strong to Testify

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 (UPI)—The House Un-American Committee is expected to ask pro-Soviet writer Anna Louise Strong to testify before it if it is convinced her ouster from Moscow was not a Communist trick.

Chairman John S. Wood (D. Ga.) said he plans to propose inviting her when the committee meets on Tuesday.

Rep. Richard M. Nixon (R. Cal.), a committee member, said he also wants to hear Miss Strong. But he said he didn't know yet why Moscow ordered her deported and "we should be careful we do not wind up playing their game."

Miss Strong, an American who has lived in Moscow for years as a fervent pro-Communist, has not yet shown up outside Russia.

Greensboro Acquires New Pumper Truck

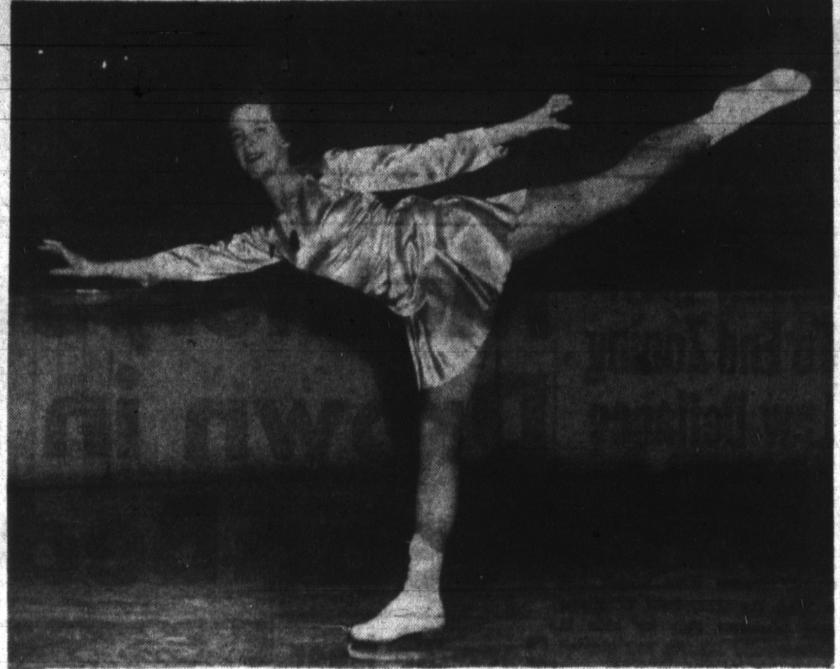
NEW CASTLE, Feb. 19 (UPI)—The town of Greensboro, near here, has added a one and one-half ton pumper truck to its fire fighting apparatus to become one of the best safeguarded communities in the county.

The campaign to purchase fire fighting equipment was launched following a \$20,000 fire on Jan. 6, 1947, in which several buildings were destroyed and seriously damaged.

U. S. SHIPS AT GIBRALTAR

GIBRALTAR, Feb. 19 (UPI)—Nine United States warships, including the submarine Spinx, arrived today from the Far East bound for home. The carrier Midway was expected soon. The ships were the carrier Tarawa, the cruiser Manchester, the destroyers Buckley and Hawkins and four minesweepers.

Ice-O-Rama Skater Will Perform for Polio Fund



Cynthia Hanson, 5727 College Ave. . . . one of The Times Ice-O-Rama Starlettes who will perform Thursday night in the polio benefit extravaganza in the Fairgrounds Coliseum.

Ice-O-Rama Advance Sale Of Tickets Breaks Record

Officials Predict Another Capacity Crowd For Thursday Night Coliseum Extravaganza

By ART WRIGHT

Another capacity crowd for The Times Ice-O-Rama Thursday night in the Fairgrounds Coliseum was predicted today as a result of a record-breaking advance sale of tickets.

Most of the tickets remaining are the 1700 East end mezzanine chairs which will be sold for 60 cents, including tax. There are a few side mezzanine seats left after yesterday's sales but these should be sold out tomorrow. Then all that will remain will be the East end mezzanine. The only tickets available are on sale at the special booth in L. Strauss & Co. store.

The only tickets scheduled for sale at the Coliseum show night are those remaining unsold when the L. Strauss booth closes at 5 p. m. Thursday.

The Coliseum doors will open at 7 p. m. The 100-piece Butler University band will play from that time until the start of the show promptly at 8 p. m.

600 Will Perform

Some 600 skaters will perform in the two-hour extravaganza. There will be solo numbers, pair routines and group numbers.

Lending all the atmosphere of a professional show will be the gay costumes, spotlights, stage setting and musical accompaniment by a 15-piece professional orchestra under the direction of Ed Resen, veteran showman.

The skaters will hold their dress rehearsal Tuesday afternoon at the Coliseum. Only participants will be admitted for the dress rehearsal.

Co-operating with The Times in presenting the Ice-O-Rama is the City Park and Recreation Department.

4756 Register at ND For Spring Semester

Time State Service

NOTRE DAME, Ind., Feb. 19

A total of 4756 students have enrolled at the University of Notre Dame for the spring semester, the Rev. Louis J. Thornton, registrar, said today.

Classes for the spring semester will continue through June 4, and degrees will be conferred at commencement exercises the following day, the registrar announced.

Barkley Seeks Hope For Peace Brightening

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 19 (UPI)—Vice President Alben W. Barkley said tonight that prospects for world peace seem brighter now than anytime since World War II ended in 1945.

He cautioned, however, that if the United States is to carry out its "world mission" it must keep along with its stout military defense "a strong and sound economic structure which will give force and validity to all our proclamations and efforts."

Mr. Barkley spoke at a Jackson-Jefferson Day dinner of Virginia Democrats.

100,000 Laid Off, Rail Unions Figure

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 (UPI)—Railroad unions estimated today that 100,000 rail workers have been laid off in the last 60 days.

The Interstate Commerce Commission put the drop at 50,273 between Dec. 15 and Jan. 15 alone. A spokesman said the number has increased since then.

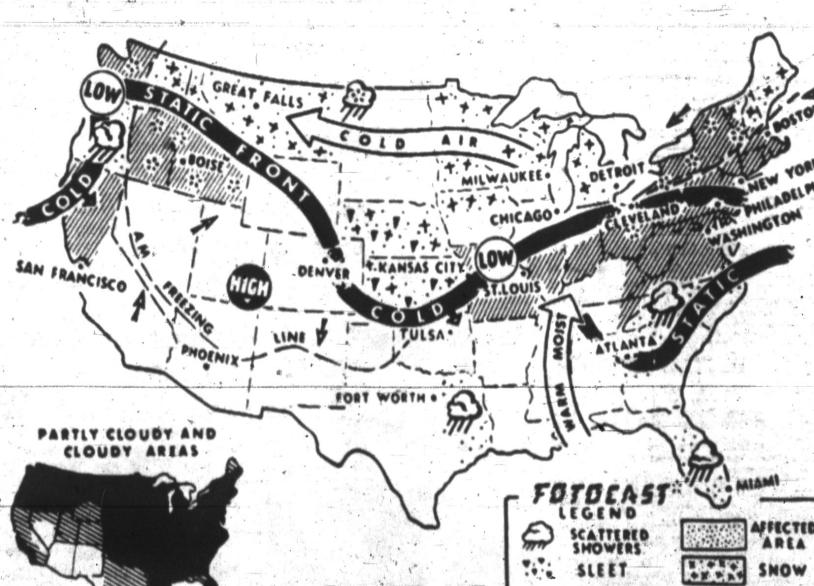
The New Haven Railroad said in Boston today that it would lay off 1150 employees next Wednesday at its Readville, Mass., and Van Ness, N. Y., repair shops.

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TODAY AND TOMORROW—Unsettled weather, designated by weather symbols and shading, will cover a wide section of the country as a storm center moves into the Middle West. Snow is expected in the Central Plains and the Great Lakes. Siting winds will keep the mercury below zero in the Northern Plains. Dark areas in the lower map denote clouded areas, stripes partial cloudiness. Watch out for slick roads in the Central States, for the cold may turn occasional drizzles into ice.

Senate Chugs, Feuds Toward Major Bills

Trivia Absorbs Fussing Chamber As Session Ebbs

By IRVING LEIBOWITZ

Like a ricketty, old, jalopy, Indiana's State Senate slowly chugs along on major legislation to the tune of "Feudin', Fightin' and a Fussin'."

However, the Senate machine has established a near-record for traveling up and down mountains of trivia.

It has left for last a tour of important legislation.

Labor, trying to "hitchhike" a ride on the old Senate jalopy, has been shunted aside for bills on goats, fish, motor boats and automobile television.

On tap for Senate action tomorrow are 71 bills. Only two of them directly affect the entire state.

They are the Democrat version of the direct primary and the repeal of the utilities compulsory arbitration act. Both are eligible for amendments, corrections or improvement.

Forget About Them'

As for the remainder of the bills, Walter Vermillion, Senate minority leader, opined that the state would be better off if the Senate forgot about them.

The spry, elder statesman from Anderson asserted the 1949 session of the General Assembly was "clustered up with unimportant bills."

Practically all of the senators said yesterday they were doing "a poor job of lawmaking."

A typical Senate reaction to important legislation was expressed on the bill to repeal the utilities compulsory arbitration act.

A Republican plan to delay action on the repeal backfired when a bloc of six GOP senators bolted to the Democrat side.

GOP Revolt Fails

The rebel Republican "revolt" failed only because the Democrats couldn't hold three of their own senators in line. Thus, the measure was stalled.

Faced with a backlog of inconsequential measures in addition to four or five major issues, the Senate will have to continue night and Saturday sessions to get through before the March 7 deadline.

Top priority will be given to the Democrat bonus plan, which is slated to come out of committee tomorrow afternoon with a "divided" report.

Shun Bonus Plan

Sen. William Bates (R. New Albany), chairman of the all-important Military and Veterans Affairs committee, said Republicans could not go along on the payment plan, which calls for a tax levy of one quarter of one per cent of the gross income.

Another important bill still in committee is the House's reapportionment proposal. It calls for a redistribution of legislative seats every 10 years.

Meanwhile, several senators have taken time out from shuffling bills through the hopper to ask for an extension of the legislature's 61 day session.

"We need more time to consider bills," they claim.

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Legislative Calendar

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BILLS PASSED
House

HB 231 (Brennan)—Legal Fee Payment: Requires payment of legal fees direct to attorney in diverse proceedings. (37 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 245 (Seaman-Evans)—Sewage Disposal: Authorizes towns and towns and areas cumulative building funds for erection of sewage disposal plants and sewers. (37 ayes, 3 noes.)

HB 252 (Brennan-Webb)—Reciprocity Commission: Establishes reciprocal commission to handle reciprocal reciprocity. (39 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 269 (Kilgore-Brennan)—Highway Maintenance: Authorizes highway maintenance and construction equipment to be used on state roads. (37 ayes, 1 noes.)

HB 270 (Brennan-Davies)—Alimony: Provides for payment of alimony in cases of separation or divorce. (37 ayes, 2 noes.)

HB 286 (Banning)—Oblique Lines: Provides for extension of oblique lines to connect channels in public lakes, provided channels are open to public fishing. (37 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 297 (Grimes-Wadsworth)—Limited Partnership: Authorizes limited partnerships to be formed by National Conference of State Legislatures. (37 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 301 (Ladd)—Prohibition: Provides for a state-wide prohibition of the sale of beer. (37 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 302 (Grimes-Wadsworth)—Public Lakes: Authorizes state and county governments to enter into public lakes, provided channels are open to public fishing. (37 ayes, 0 noes.)

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