

Around the World— Russ Believed Stymied Over Ban on Mark

Soviets Are Now
With Back to Wall,
Says Berlin Mayor

By United Press
Ernst Reuter, mayor of West Berlin, said today in Frankfurt that the Russians no longer could hope to alter the Allied position in Berlin by any means short of war.

Mayor Reuter was on his way from Berlin to the United States to attend a conference of mayors. He was continuing his plane trip this afternoon.

He told newsmen here he believed the outlawing of Soviet marks in West Berlin Sunday would drive the Russian-backed currency out of circulation.

"The Russians can't do a thing now short of starting a war," Mayor Reuter said.

They would find it hard to re-taliate by stopping the Berlin city transport, which they control, he said.

"If they cut out the transport system, they would cut off Potsdam from Karlshorst," he said. The Soviets maintain military government headquarters at Karlshorst and military headquarters at Potsdam.

Other foreign news included:

Trans-Jordan

Britain probably will reject a Trans-Jordan request that British troops take over a 50-mile stretch of Trans-Jordan's frontier with Israel.

A British spokesman said today that assignment of British patrols to the uneasy frontier area would only increase tension in the Middle East. British policy, he said, is to promote stability.

Trans-Jordan had asked British forces to take over the frontier from Aqaba, opposite the southern tip of Palestine, north of the Anglo-Trans-Jordan alliance.

Israeli spokesmen immediately protested. They said such action would free units of Trans-Jordan's Arab legion to reinforce the disputed area farther north.

London

Radio Moscow reported that Chief Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko has left Moscow for New York to head the Soviet delegation to the April session of the United Nations General Assembly.

Frankfurt
A west German political leader said western Germany will ask to participate in the Atlantic treaty as soon as a German government for the three western occupation zones has been established.

Buenos Aires

Members of the Radical Party will meet tomorrow to decide whether their congressmen shall swear to support the new Argentine constitution. Radical leaders opposed the constitution throughout its drafting. But they were expected to decide that the constitution now is an accepted fact and they must support it.

Copenhagen

Communist spectators jeered as Danish Foreign Minister Gustav Rasmussen asked the lower house of Parliament today to authorize the government to sign and ratify the North Atlantic Treaty.

A Communist motion protesting the procedure, which would eliminate any further parliamentary action on the treaty, was defeated by a vote of 116 to 7.

Robert Trusty Rites Tomorrow

Services for Robert Trusty, Spanish-American War veteran who died yesterday in his home, 215 Bakemeyer St., will be held at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow in G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home. Burial will be in Greenwood. He was 73.

Mr. Trusty served in the Philippines and Puerto Rico as a private in the Infantry from April 1899, to May, 1902. A native of Waverly, he had lived in Indianapolis most of his life. He was a plumber with Kirkoff Plumbers until he retired 21 years ago. He was a member of the United Spanish War Veterans, English Camp 84.

Surviving are three sisters: Mrs. Laura Bates, Indianapolis; Mrs. Mary Thompson and Mrs. Maude Wheeler, and a brother, Allen Trusty, all of Waverly.

Brooms Are Better Than Water



Signs of spring . . . Russell Younger (left) and Harry B. Dunham, both of the Indianapolis Fire Department, use brooms to extinguish a grass fire at 66th St. and Rd. 29. "Best way in the world to put out a grass fire," they say.

Veterans Pension Bill Foes Split on How to Cut Cost

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22 (UPI)—The multibillion-dollar Rankin pension bill was debated in the House today with opponents split on how to cut its cost.

The bill as drafted by Rep. John E. Rankin (D. Miss.) would give \$90 a month pensions to veterans of both world wars when they reach 65. The Budget Bureau has estimated it would cost \$125 billion in the next half century.

Two sets of amendments were drafted to take some of the ultimate billions out of the bill by making it apply only to World War I veterans.

Claim VFW Backing

Reps. James E. Van Zandt (R. Pa.) and Bernard W. Kerney (R. N. Y.) offered one set. Both men are former commanders-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

They claimed VFW backing and denied reports the organization was supporting a plan offered by Rep. Walter B. Huber (D. O.)

Mr. Huber's plan calls for monthly payments for non-service-connected disability.

The Van Zandt-Kerney plan does not include disability pensions. Mr. Rankin would give the pensions to all, regardless of need or disability.

Mr. Rankin led off debate on his bill. He said neither the World War I bonus nor the World War II GI Bill of Rights should stand in the way of further payments. He said opponents of his bill want to send "these old veterans on to the poor house."

Differences

Some southern Senators were willing today to forget their past differences with President Truman and co-operate with him "for the good of the country."

But Senate Republican Leader Kenneth S. Wherry of Nebraska openly belittled forecasts that any worthwhile legislation would be enacted at this session of Congress.

"The Democratic leadership is bankrupt," Sen. Wherry said. Congress has been in session almost three months, he said, without passing any major bills.

"The Democrats are supposed to control the legislative branch. Where are they?"

Sens. Burnet R. Maybank (D. S. C.) and Russell B. Long (D. La.) said that they were willing to co-operate with Mr. Truman on most issues.

Labor

Rep. Walter E. Brehm (R. O.) a member of the House Labor Committee who helped draft the original Taft-Hartley act, said he is willing to vote for repeal of the law because "it hampers full production."

Mr. Brehm's announcement virtually assured the administration that the committee will approve legislation to repeal the Taft-Hartley statute and re-enact an "improved" version of the old Wagner Act.

Air Force

The House today passed and sent to the Senate a bill to authorize a 70-group air force. The roll call vote was 395 to 3. Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP. N. Y.) had blocked final passage last Wednesday after the House endorsed the Bill 368 to 1. He tried to block it again today but failed.

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Gary Mayor Vetoed State Cleanup Aid

Plea of Housewives Rejected; Calls

Vice Drive Local

GARY, Mar. 22 (UPI)—A housewives' committee crusading to clean up alleged vice and gambling in Gary today urged Mayor Eugene Swartz to enlist Gov. Henry Schricker in the campaign, but Mayor Swartz rejected the plan as "unnecessary."

About 1000 women sent a telegram to Mayor Swartz in Washington, where he is attending the conference of mayors.

"I believe we can cope with the situation locally," the mayor said. "The enforcement campaign is going to be carried on to the best of our ability."

The women marched into the city hall again last night, but did not stage a demonstration in the council chambers as they did Mar. 7 when they demanded a cleanup in this steel mill center. Observers described the gathering as "very quiet and orderly."

Dispatch Committee

The group met earlier in Seaman Hall, four blocks from city hall, and sent a committee of five, headed by Mrs. Ida Saks, to find out what action city officials had taken in the last two weeks.

When the committee did not return, the rest of the women hoisted umbrellas and marched through heavy rain to the city hall. As they arrived, Mrs. Saks' committee came out of the council chambers. Mrs. Saks told the group that council president Hobart Wiggly said the council would not comply with the women's cleanup petition.

She said Mr. Wiggly told the committee that funds for a police investigation would be appropriated "eventually," but that no definite action was planned.

Official Weather

UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU

	Sunrise	5:46	Sunset	8:59
Precip. 24 hours ending 7:30 a. m.	42			
Total precip. since Jan. 1	10.98			
Excess since Jan. 1	2.73			
The following table shows the temperature at 12 noon daily.				
Atlanta	70	84		
Boston	51	62		
Chicago	69	82		
Cincinnati	68	81		
Cleveland	68	82		
Dallas	70	82		
Evansville	70	55		
Fl. Keys	68	80		
Indianapolis (City)	71	84		
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Memphis	73	67		
Minneapolis-St. Paul	75	63		
New Orleans	75	63		
New York	57	45		
Philadelphia	71	81		
Pittsburgh	56	47		
San Francisco	42	58		
Washington, D. C.	66	48		

Today's Weather Fotocast



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See that cold air front dipping down from Michigan through Georgia? It's the edge of a cold front which was expected to drop the mercury down into the 30's in Indiana. Dotted line and striped areas indicate rainy regions. Arrows in the center indicate wind directions.

3 State GOP Congressmen OK Capital Rent Control

By DAN KIDNEY, Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22—It was springlike here yesterday afternoon—ideal for roller-skating—particularly about the time the bill was called in the House of Representatives on extension of rent control in the District of Columbia.

The four Hoosier Republican Congressmen all had voted against having any rent control in the country at large. But only the dean of the delegation—Rep.

Charles A. Hallie of Rensselaer who got back the House had voted against its extension in Indiana. Both Mr. Harvey and Washington Extension was Mrs. Harden said they would be passed by the House, 247 to 117, have been against Washington.

Many congressmen, who are rent control, just as they were landlords back home, are tenants against its extension elsewhere. here it was pointed out.

The three Republicans from Indiana, who were listed among

Rep. Edward H. Kruse Jr., Ft. Wayne Democrat who voted for the administration opposed home rule provision in the national rent control extension bill, voted for the D. C. extension. So did all of whom supported passage of the national rent control extension bill.

Rep. Andrew Jacobs of Indianapolis and Winfield K. Denton of Evansville are among the Congressmen who rent houses here. One Democrat, Rep. James E. Noland of Bloomington, was

The latter said she took Mrs. back in Indiana. He returned to Clara Coyer, fifth district Rep. for the Rankin bill vote.

Both he and Mrs. Harden are Frankfort, to the airport as she members of the Veterans Committee from which the measure

had been called home suddenly.

Mr. Shaffer is survived by a brother, George W. Shaffer, and a grandson, Richard P. Shaffer, Indianapolis.

Korea Holds Reds In Woman's Death

Missionary's Slaying Laid to Communists

SEOUL, Mar. 22 (UPI)—Korean Police Chief Kim Tai Sun said today that five members of a Communist underground organization had been arrested for the slaying of Mrs. Horace H. Underwood, 60, an American missionary and wife of a prominent American educator.

The police chief said his department soon expected to find the gun used by the killers. Mrs. Underwood was shot during a meeting of wives of faculty members of Chosen Christian University in Mrs. Underwood's home in a lonely section outside Seoul Thursday.

Funeral services were held today for Mrs. Underwood at the Presbyterian Church. Her son, Rev. John Underwood, officiated.

More than 1000 persons were present, including Brig. Gen. William L. Roberts, commander of U. S. Armed Forces in Korea, and Mrs. Syngman Rhee, wife of Korea's president.

Mrs. Underwood's husband, Horace, is president emeritus of the university.

Korean police said earlier that Mrs. Underwood was slain by Communists in a case of mistaken identity.

They said the Communists intended to kill Miss Mo Yung Sook, an outspoken critic of communism who was the principal speaker at the gathering in the Underwood house.

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