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## ★ WASHINGTON COLUMN ★

### Norway Surprises the World By Standing Up to Russia

BY DOUGLAS LARSEN  
NEA Staff Correspondent



WASHINGTON—(NEA)—One of the few encouraging reports from Europe is the surprising reaction of Norway to the current, tense Russian situation.

Norway and the other Scandinavian countries are right back in the precarious position they were in at the start of the World War II, when they were calling it the war of nerves. In fact Norway is in an even more dangerous spot than it was then. Grabbing that country would mean more to Russia, strategically, in the event of a war now than it did to Germany during World War II.

Of the non-satellite countries of Europe, Norway consistently has had the best and most above-board relations with the Soviet government since the war. When the Russians drove across the northern boundary liberating the Norwegians from the Germans, the Red troops were extremely kind to the people they were setting free. In their retreat the Germans burned homes and destroyed everything they could, in their wake. The first act of the Russian soldiers was to provide food and shelter for the burned-out Norwegians. Russian troops even slept in the snow to give starving Norwegians their tents.

During the occupation the Norwegian Communists did heroic work in the underground. Since the war Norway's trade with Russia has flourished with the Norwegians getting a great deal of wheat in exchange for whale oil.

Helped by those factors, communism in Norway managed to find firm political footing. In the parliamentary election of 1945 the Reds won 11 out of 150 seats. Communism was in business and increasing, especially in many Norwegian intellectual circles. Money was coming from Moscow to finance propaganda and to help the cause generally but the Norwegians didn't show unusual concern over that fact.

BUT then came the Red coup in Czechoslovakia. And the death of Jan Masaryk more than anything dramatized to the Norwegians the rules of the game which Moscow played. Quick events put Norway right in the middle of the trouble between the U. S. and Russia. Moscow began charging Norway and Sweden with planning to give air bases to America. And all sorts of rumors and reports spread about Soviet paratroopers being ready to take Norway.

If the Moscow plan was to intimidate the Norwegians and bolster the Communists in that country, however, it misfired completely. The recent activities of the Russians have had the opposite effect. After all the Norwegians have through in recent years and in light of past good relations with Russia the Norwegians could have been criticized by no one for at least sitting mum and just waiting to see what happened.

But instead Norway's Prime Minister Einar Gerhardsen took the lead in Scandinavia in condemning the Russian grab of Czechoslovakia. He made it crystal clear to Stalin that the honeymoon was over and that if there was any threat to Norwegian freedom, the people of his country wouldn't hesitate to fight.

THE next big expression of Norwegian sentiment was the public announcement, by persons all over the country who had been active workers in the party, that they had dropped their Communist affiliation. They were the most respectable element in the Norwegian Communist party, school teachers, local government officials, etc.

That is the way the situation stands today. So far the Russians have made no official suggestion for Norway to enter into any defense agreements, probably because they know what the answer would be. But the danger of Norway's stand is obvious to the world.

In the meantime Norway is keeping up its outspoken criticism of the activities of its giant Red neighbor. In the U. S. Norwegian Ambassador William Munnth de Morgenstjerne is bidding for U. S. support of his country's stand.

## Start Of U. S. Of Europe



British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, seated, signs the economic convention among western European nations in Paris, France. Some believe the pact, signed by 16 nations and western Germany, is the start of a U. S. of Europe. (NEA Telephoto.)

### Parrot Answers As Court Witness

ELIZABETHTOWN, Tenn. — (UP)—A four-year old parrot was chief exhibit and unofficial star witness in a case heard by Judge W. R. Pearson.

The bird was involved in a suit filed by Raymond West against Robert L. Smith. West was trying to regain possession of it.

West bought the parrot in Florida and turned it over to an Eliza-beth town woman to keep for him. She apparently thought West had given her a present.

She turned it over to another woman, who gave it to Smith. During the parrot's court experience, it was questioned briefly in the manner of a witness. Asked its name, it replied: "Polly."

West was given custody of the bird by the court. And now Smith is trying to buy the parrot. It seems he has become "attached" to it.

Frankster Empties Schools ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (UP)—Most classes in city schools here were left vacant when someone posing as the superintendent called three radio stations to announce classes would not be held because of severe cold-weather.

School officials had a time getting it straightened out.

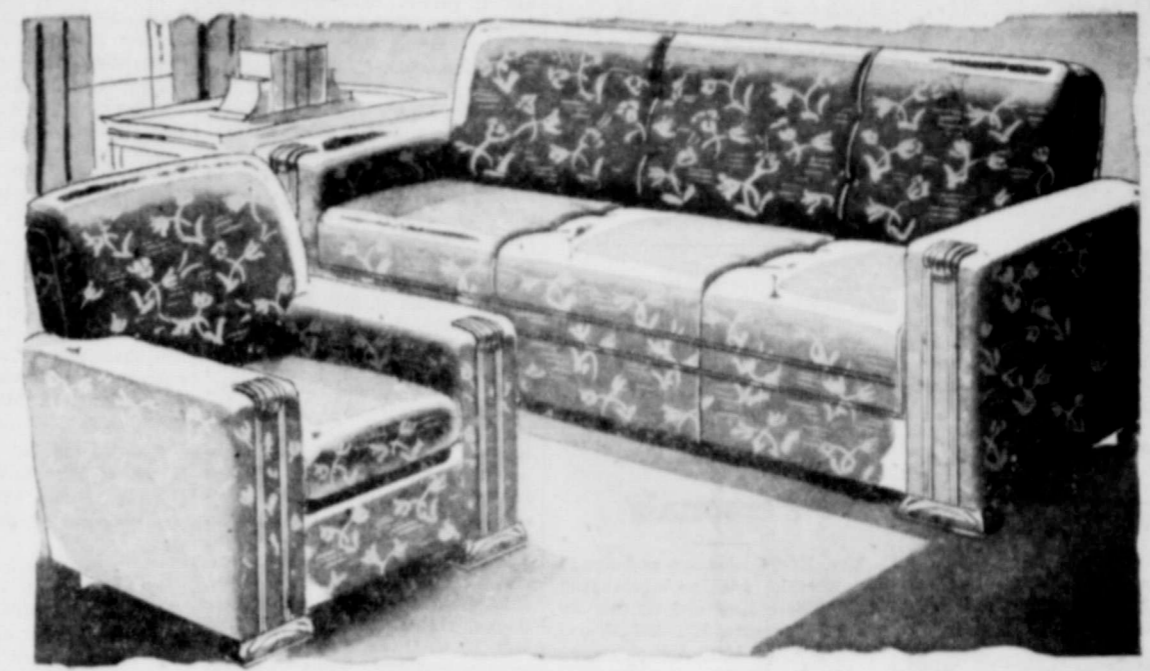
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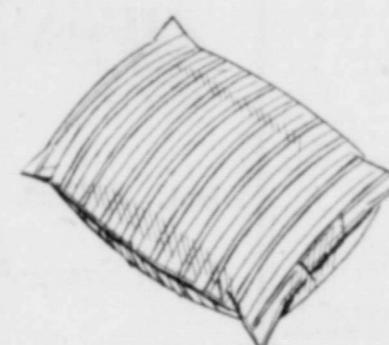
The mouth of the Orinoco river is in Venezuela. It could be a dryad, right out of mythology, garbed in leaves and timid as a fawn. But shucks, it's just Hollywood's June Haver again—this time modeling a new-fangled bathing suit made of hand-painted silk leaves applied on flesh-colored topper and trunks.

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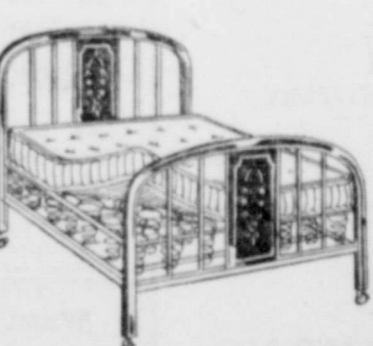
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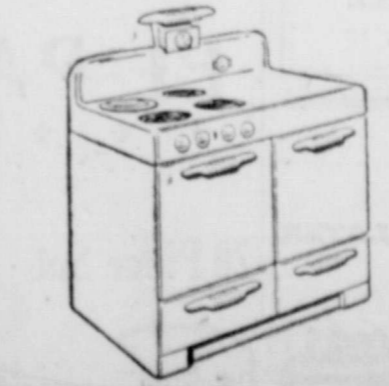
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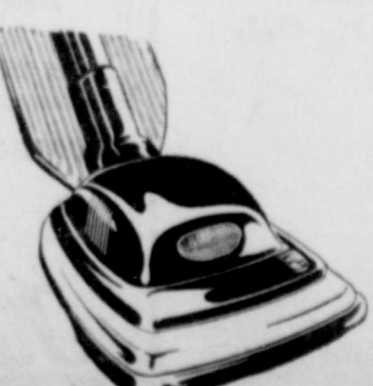
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**Over 300 Attend Youth Rally Mon.**

Over 300 attended the Cisco Baptist Associational Youth Rally in Gorman last night. Thirty-one from the First Baptist church Ranger were in the group.

An outdoor session of fellowship, games, and refreshments opened the rally. Then everyone gathered in the church auditorium for the Youth Service. Rev. Bruce McIver, a student of South Western Baptist Theological Seminary was the speaker. Special music was furnished by the Youth Choir of the First Baptist Church, Ranger, who sang a medley of hymns.

Those who attended from the First Baptist Church were: Lavada Mitchell, Jodie Ann Fair-

cloth, Betty Jo Williams, Betty Jo Penn, Patsy Wheat, Betty Cox, Richard Hodges, Charles Williams, Alton Stiles, Meredith Sides, Georgeanne Rogers, Wanda Clem Loretta Culpepper, Jimmy Cantrell, Sue Ewing, Dean Sutton, Sonny McGowan, Doris Courson, Charles Wheat, E. P. Robinson, Jr., Roy Lindsey, Thelma Bowen, Jane and Coy Sims, Lee Cantrell, Mr. H. A. Shockey, Mrs. C. L. Culpepper, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Harper, Ralph Gay and Dora Gafner.

**Auxiliary To Meet Tonight At 7:30**

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Legion hall and all members are urged to attend.

**Personals**

Mrs. Ray C. Ameen and daughter, Sheryl, are in Washington, D. C. where they are visiting Dr. Ameen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ameen and Mrs. Ameen's cousin, Mrs. A. David.

Mrs. D. C. Ham, Mrs. Bruce Harris, and Mrs. Coy Sims are attending the District Women's Missionary Union convention which is being held at the University Baptist Church in Abilene today and Wednesday.

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**W. A. Hise Celebrates 88th Birthday With Dinner, Open House Sunday**

W. A. Hise of Fort Worth, formerly of Ranger, was honored on his 88th birthday Sunday with a celebration at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Ervin, 704 Young Street.

At noon, the birthday dinner was served to 58 guests. The dining table was covered with a white chicheted cloth and centered with the 35 pound birthday cake which was baked and decorated by Mrs. Ervin's three daughters, Leta Ervin, Mrs. Joe Williams, and Mrs. Maurice B. Owen, all of Ranger.

In the afternoon, open house was held from 3 to 4 o'clock. Iced fruit punch and cake were served to guests who called.

Nine of Mr. Hise's ten children were present. They were: Mrs. Hattie Satterwhite of Columbus, Ohio, Mrs. Mattie McDonald of Vernon, Mrs. Mintie Phillips of Fort Worth, Mrs. Ida Kreibles of Vernon, Mrs. Bonnie Fowler of Amarillo, C. E. Hise of Albuquerque, N. M., O. F. Hise of Amarillo, Elmer Hise of Ardmore, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Ervin of Ranger. One daughter, Mrs. Maggie Duke of Amarillo was unable to attend because of illness.

Other relatives and friends present included an only brother, R. L. Hise and Mrs. Hise of Ranger, an only sister, Mrs. Jane Phillips of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Martin and sons, Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Phillips and son, all of Ft. Worth, Mrs. C. E. Hise and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hise, Jr., Albuquerque, N. M. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Broom, and sons, Donald Kaebles, Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Phillips and daughter, Vernon, Texas, Archie Satterwhite, Columbus, Ohio, George Finley, Mattie Clott, Eastland, Mrs. Elmer Hise, Ardmore, Oklahoma, Mrs. O. F. Hise, Amarillo, Greshel, and Betty Boone, Oklahoma City, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Owen, Lampasas, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Mayo Thurman and family, Mrs. Copeland, Cisco, J. H. Ervin, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Williams, Miss Leta Ervin, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice B. Owen and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Hise and son, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hise, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bankston, and Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hise and Patsy, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ervin, Dianne Plumley, Angela Parsons, Mrs. W. O. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Ervin, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Bobo, Mrs. Leola Martin, Mrs. J. D. Stiffler, Mrs. Myrtle Smith, Fanice Clemmer, Mrs. Della Reese, Mrs. Nora Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dean, Reed Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Freeman, Mary Lou Townsen and Rita Wynn, all of Ranger.

**Two Ranger Women To District Meet**

Mrs. O. G. Lanier and Mrs. Saule Perstein will leave Wednesday morning for Brownwood where they will attend the 37th annual conference of the First District of the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers.

The convention opens formally Thursday but the two Ranger Women will attend a pre-conference meeting of the executive board. Mrs. Perstein is one of the vice-presidents of the district and Mrs. Lanier is chairman of the committee on juvenile protection. Both are chairman of conference committees, Mrs. Lanier of the rules committee and Mrs. Perstein of the program committee.

The theme of the conference is "New Frontiers" and both Ranger women will take part on the program of the two-day session.

Planting goals set by the government for 1948 called for increased acreages over 1947 planting for corn, oats, barley, rye, sorghums, flaxseed and dry edible beans.

**W. S. C. S. Begins Study Of United Nations Monday**

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church met Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock against the background of a worship center showing an open Bible in front of a lighted candle.

The program was opened with a worship service conducted by Mrs. G. C. Boswell based on the book, "Meaning of Prayer," by Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick. The key thought was that prayer is religion in action.

Mrs. Stanley McAnelly introduced the spring study, "We The People of the United Nations," first presenting aims of the course and then citing incidents leading to the organization of the U.N. An overall picture of the organization was shown by a chart emphasizing the six main organs; General Assembly, Security Council, International Court of Justice, Secretariate, Economic and Social Council, and Trusteeship Council.

Mrs. C. E. May gave an enlightening talk on "Lasting Peace In Our Times," by Trygve Lie, secretary of the United Nations.

The study was informative and enlightening on a vital subject.

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Mrs. George Hazard, who has been a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital, has been dismissed.

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**Hospital News**

Mrs. J. W. Ball, who has been a patient in the Ranger General Hospital, has been removed to her home.

J. S. McDowell has been a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital and has been dismissed.

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**The Houston-Galveston "Highway of Tomorrow"**

This rising steel and concrete structure over Calhoun Road in Houston, Texas, will carry the heavy traffic of the new Galveston-Houston express highway through the Texas metropolis' booming East End. A 1,192-foot structure, this overpass comprises one of five in Houston's East End, the steel for which is being furnished by the American Bridge Company, subsidiary of United States Steel. The 50-mile expressway, termed among highway builders as "the highway of tomorrow," will be the ultimate in new highway construction in Texas, a state already famed for its fine highway system.

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DODGE CITY, Kan. (UP)—The grave marker of Toothless Nell has disappeared from Boot Hill in Dodge City.

Also among the missing are the markers of Spider Bane and two other long-time occupants of the famous hilltop.

Visitors, says Roy Hardin, custodian of the Boot Hill Museum are to blame. They can't help picking up souvenirs.

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**REV. HAM SPEAKS AT CISCO MEETING**

Rev. D. C. Ham, pastor of the First Baptist Church, was the speaker for the Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church of Cisco last night.

Also the program was the Ranger Brotherhood Quartet, composed of J. N. Graham, J. L. Clem, K. F. Kirk, and R. J. Rains. The quartet was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. James Calvert. Mr. Calvert also attended the meeting.

**CARD OF THANKS**

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