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GLEN TAYLOR

(^(Senator) In Columbus, Ohio, tonight, Glen Taylor, of Idaho
^{that} announced he would "probably" become a running mate with
Henry Wallace on the third party ticket.) ~~The account~~
~~is on the "probably"~~ ^{He's} Taylor ~~is~~ ^{just} waiting to see ^{whom}
President Truman appoints to succeed ^{the} Chairman James
Landis of the Civil Aeronautics Board. "If the
President names another banker, or wall street figure,"
^{The Cowboy Senator} Taylor told the newsmen: "Then Wallace may get himself
a running mate!" ^{TP} He went on to say that he had had
a conference with the President at which Mr Truman had ~~expressed~~
expressed a hope that he would stay with the democratic
party, and not line up with Wallace. After that meeting
~~xxxxxxx~~ ^{Idaho} the singing senator drew up a formal statement,
announcing his intentions to stay with the democrats, and
let Wallace go his own way. But now he has torn that
statement up, ~~and~~ ^{He's} waiting to see ^{whom} ~~the President~~
~~appoints as Chairman to~~ the Civil Aeronautics Board.
When the appointment is made, ^{then} he'll either sit down and

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write ~~out~~ that statement all over again, or join
up with Henry, ~~who's probably waiting in~~ [^]breathless
suspense!

(To Follow Taylor)

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ROOSEVELT___ In San Francisco today, National Democratic Chairman ~~J. Howard~~ McGrath announced to reporter that the name of James Roosevelt, son of the late President had been mentioned "along with several others - as possible candidate for the vice-presidency." But he added; "What the republicans do may have a great influence on our final choice of a vice presidential candidate." All this after Chairman McGrath had denied any split in the ranks ~~of~~ the California democrats, many of whom are known to have endorsed Henry Wallace's ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ candidacy.

MacARTHUR

A cable from Japan to Madison, Wisconsin, today brought ~~great~~ cheer to the folks who want to run General Douglas MacArthur on the Republican ticket, for President of the United States. The occasion was a celebration at the State Capitol in Madison of the Hundredth Anniversary of the State of Wisconsin. As any MacArthur partisan will tell you, the General was born in the Badger State; also the MacArthur-for-President campaign *was born there.*

MacArthur's message was read to the Assembly during the ceremonies by the Chief Justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court. In it the General spoke of his pride in Wisconsin, which also was the birthplace of his father and grandfather. He was ~~also~~ proud that he as well as his father and grandfather, were appointed to West Point from Wisconsin.

It Then follows ^{*ed the*} ~~s~~ sentence ^{*that*} ~~which~~ gave such comfort to his stateside supporters. ~~It consisted of~~ These words:- "In the labyrinth of destiny's pattern, there can be no greater satisfaction than such as comes from the confidence reflected

in the selection of one's neighbors for public service --
no more challenging responsibility than lies in the
fulfillment of their trust."

Among those who heard the message was Phil^{ly} LaFollette,
former Governor of Wisconsin, one of the organizers of the
MacArthur-for-President Committee. ^{Said LaFollette:—} ~~He declared that~~ the
message speaks for itself. At the same time, ^{Phil} LaFollette, as
well as the rest of the Committee, admitted that they had
received no ^{further} ~~definite~~ statement from the General ^{about} ~~that he was~~
willing to run. ^{JP} ~~However,~~ The candidate's consent ~~taxes~~ is not
necessary in Wisconsin, where delegates to the National
Republican Convention will be elected at the primaries on the
Sixth of April.

STASSEN FOLLOW MacARTHUR

And, ~~here is~~ word from another potential ~~northwestern~~
candidate, ~~Harold~~ ^{who} Stassen of Minnesota, ~~He~~ told the Young
Republicans of New York today that the United Nations Charter
should be revised, [^] rewritten with the veto power in the
Security Council abolished. ^{Stassen} ~~He~~ would like that to be a plank
in the Republican platform to be adopted next June. [^]
TP Q [^] convention should be called for Nineteen Fifty, said Stassen,
to strengthen the world organization, which it sorely needs.
And the most essential way to strengthen it would be to
abolish that veto. This means a new method of voting, which
in turn would facilitate the United Nations in its important job
of organizing its own police force.

SPECULATION

Harold Stassen is to appear on Thursday at an open meeting of the sub-committee of senators investigating speculation in the grain markets. There he will have an opportunity to substantiate and expand his charges that one cause of the high price of food was gambling on the commodity exchanges by top officials of the government ^{- that is officials} with inside information. As you may recall, the ~~only~~ important names on the lists published by the Department of Agriculture were those of the President's physician, Brigadier General Wallace Graham, and Edwin W. Pauley, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Army. ^{Gen.} ~~He~~ Graham is to follow ^{Ex-Governor} ~~Harold~~ Stassen on the witness stand Thursday, and ^{Ed} Pauley ~~will come~~ after him. Senator Ferguson ^{seemed} ~~was quite~~ annoyed today because General Graham's broker had not sent complete records of ~~the~~ trading done in ^{the General's} ~~his~~ behalf. The Committee received some, but not enough, and the Committee wants them all.

TRUMAN

President Truman has conceded a point to the Republican leaders of Congress, on the Marshall Plan. He has agreed to abandon the idea of asking Congress to vote seventeen billion dollars, ~~paid~~, right off. ~~the date~~. Instead of that, the funds will be appropriated from year to year. ~~This~~ ~~was~~ a compromise suggested by Senator Vandenberg, ~~presiding officer of the Senate and chairman of Foreign Relations~~. The dean of the Senate indicated that he had been able to make Mr. Truman and his advisers see the light, ~~and~~ realize that the plan for long term help to Europe would have a much better chance of passing the national legislature if it did not have that seventeen billion dollar ~~price~~ tag on it.

The Republican leaders also announced that they have consented to consider the President's request for restoring price control and rationing. ~~But that will not be done right~~

~~But first~~
~~away. Before that,~~ the House wants to put through another bill to cut income taxes. So the order of procedure after

Congress convenes tomorrow will be -- income tax, inflation curbs, and ~~the~~ the Marshall Plan.

U.N.

Uncle Sam today put his pride in his pocket and uttered a plea to Soviet Russia to come back into the fold, take part in the Little Assembly of ^{The} United Nations. He did it through the voice of Warren Austin, our chief delegate to the World organization, who opened the first session of the Little Assembly with ~~a sincere and fervent~~ ^{an} appeal to the Russians to abandon their boycott.

~~Not only~~ ^{Soviet} Russia ~~itself, as well as~~ White Russia, and the Ukraine, stayed away ^{today. In fact} ~~but~~ the entire Soviet bloc ^{including} Poland, Czechoslovakia, ^{and} Jugoslavia. The Soviets take the position that the Little Assembly is not legal, is a violation of the U.N. Charter.

^{Former Sen.} Accompanying his plea, Austin suggested that the Little Assembly postpone consideration of the proposal to limit the veto power of the Big Five nations until after March Fifteenth. By that time, member nations would have an opportunity to draft their own proposals. Newspaper opinion at Lake Success doubts heavily that the Soviet bloc will respond

to that appeal. Gromyko last month announced to the Security Council that his country will not consider any discussion of the veto, at any time or at any place. The Russians consider the veto question undebateable.

The empty chairs, unoccupied by delegates from the Soviet bloc, substantially dampened the glamour of today's proceedings. The vacancies produced a decidedly gloomy effect. The gray-hair delegate from Syria, one of the most seasoned diplomats of the congregation, observed that everything done in the Little Assembly will be worthless with those empty chairs. *That under the circumstances* The Little Assembly can never become anything but a pressure agency against the Soviet Union.

ENGLAND

Some twenty thousand Londoners today began to learn what it means to live under a government with power to conscript labor. The twenty thousand are street traders, pedlers, shoe shine boys, newsboys, sidewalk photographers. All these were compelled to ~~queue~~ queue up today at government labor exchanges to register. Next week it will be the turn of the bookmakers, quite a numerous group in Britain; also operators of amusement arcades, carnivals and night clubs, -- and their employees.

British industries are in need of a half-million workers, for what are called -- essential operations. Hence the registration of everybody, with government bureaucrats having the power to determine who is and who is not doing essential work, and then assign them to the jobs picked out for them by the government bureaucrats.

Week after next it will be the turn of the so-called leisure classes of Great Britain. Women as well as men who are not gainfully employed for at least

thirty hours a week, must register. That goes for the baron as well as the bootblack, the duke and the ditch-digger, the debutante and the dancer. So, in England you may have the inspiring spectacle of company directors working on a farm; and some of them we hope will know how to handle a plow.

The top demand for labor over there is on farms, in coal mines, and in textile plants.

A recent bureaucratic regulation, which has the force of law, forbids anybody in England to look for a new job except through government exchanges, and forbids employers to hire new help except through government agencies.

Let's see, how does that British anthem go. Oh yes -- "Britons never, never, never, shall be slaves." Well, the British are a freedom-loving people, and a determined people. They may ~~put~~ put shackles on themselves; but, they'll not keep them there any longer than necessary. Of that I am confident, having lived among them for ten years.

FRANCE

A victory today for Premier Schuman, all along the line. First, the French Parliament gave him votes of confidence on five successive issues. The majorities were not large; from thirty-nine to twenty-eight votes.

But when it came to the tax bill, the one-billion-fifty-million-dollar-bill to curb inflation, he carried the day, three-hundred-and-fifteen to two-hundred and-sixty-eight. And he got what he wanted without having a single franc sliced off his measure.

The Communists and the Monarchists ganged up to oppose him. The Red spokesman announcing that members of his party would vote against what he called "the big business men of New York and their friends in Paris."

Which sounds like typical good party-line stuff.

Those five preliminary votes of confidence I mentioned were taken over amendments that had been offered to Schuman's bill. Most of those were for the purpose of exempting certain classes of ~~the~~ the French ~~from~~ from the drastic provisions of the measure,

classes such as business men, shopkeepers, farmers, people who had been bombed out of their homes or suffered property damage during the war. Premier Schuman had his way on every point.

NIGHT SHOW.

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GREECE

The United States has given Britain blanket authority to transfer any Lend-Lease military equipment held by British forces in Greece to the hard pressed Greek army *battling the* ~~engaged in a life and death struggle with~~ Communist guerillas. ~~That's~~ The State Department ~~has~~ *gave this out* ~~news in Washington~~ tonight; - American lend-lease arms to me made immediately ^aavailable to the Greeks. Blanket authority given to the British by Uncle Sam to transfer *all the much needed* ~~the precious~~ fighting material. The war-time Lend-lease act allows such transfers when they are "compatible with the principles of inter-national security and welfare, as set forth by the charter of the United Nations."

~~This transfer of Lend-lease arms in Greece is~~
~~authorized by the State Department to bolster the~~
~~Greek government in its desperate struggle with the~~
~~Soviet armed guerillas - a practical gesture~~

TP In this case we are *which* served notice on all who are interested that

Uncle Sam stands ~~for firm~~ on the side of democracy, and ~~is~~ ready to back up the small nations fighting for the right to preserve their own form of government.

~~Exact listing of items and quantities of lend lease arms held by the British and ready for immediate transfer to the Greeks is not revealed.~~ ^{TP} In Athens tonight it is

said that one-million, five-hundred thousand rounds of anti-aircraft and small arms ammunition are expected

to be ~~xxxxxxx~~ handed over immediately; ~~these~~ to be followed by ~~considerable~~ supplies of armored equipment and field artillery, all ~~what~~ ^{right there} on the spot, in British

custody. ~~And the Greek forces need the stuff badly to enable them to clean up the guerillas before they can be re-inforced.~~ Now, according to the State

Department, ~~The Greeks are to get~~ ^{it} ~~this war material~~ "Without delay". No red tape. ~~just a prompt transfer~~

~~of war material on the spot.~~ ^{TP} Also, two million, one hundred thousand rounds of U.S lend-lease fifty calibre

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ammunition to be handed over to Turkey, by the
British. ~~Turkey also living in the shadow of the~~
~~Iron Curtain, and looking to America for military~~
~~supplies.~~

PALESTINE

(In Palestine the prospect of big-scale hostilities grows; following the two latest explosions. At Arab Higher Committee Headquarters in Jaffa, the authorities have found eighteen dead bodies, ninety-eight wounded. At the Samiramis Villa Hotel in Jerusalem five are known to be dead, seventeen wounded, fifteen missing; in both places rescue workers expect the toll to mount.

A spokesman admitted today that agents of Haganna, the Jewish defense army, blew up the Jerusalem Hotel; Haganna until now called the moderate Zionist organization. They even have helped the British restrain and punish the terrorist acts of the Irgun Zvai Leumi and The Stern Gang. But the Haganna spokesman says they had to blow up the Samiramis Hotel because it had become an important meeting place for Arab conspirators -- also an arsenal from which arms were distributed to the villagers around Jerusalem. He added that it was unfortunate Haganna could not destroy the main Arab Headquarters in Palestine because it is hidden in a mosque.

The Samiramis explosion was so tremendous it shook nearly all ^{of} Jerusalem -- shattering hundreds of windows.

One of the victims of the ~~exp~~ explosion was a Spanish grandee, the Spanish Consul to the Holy Land, a kinsman of the great Duke of Alba.

An American newsreel cameraman, Dick Kirby, had a bad quarter of an hour at Jerusalem. He was trying to make newsreel pictures of the wrecked Samiramis Villa. While his camera was turning a group of Arabs poked guns into his ribs and dragged him behind the hotel. Some British police were there, said Kirby, but they did nothing because from their point of view he had no business being there. He had a hard time persuading the Arabs he was not Jewish, and they finally let him go, with a warning that if he ~~ex~~ were ever found in the Arab quarter again he'd surely be killed.

As to the other blast, it was not ^{the} Hganna but the Stern Gang that blew up the Arab Higher

Committee Headquarters at Jaffa. Twenty of the Arabs wounded there are in critical condition.

The Arab Higher Committee held another meeting in Cairo today, with the former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem in the chair. They met to plan activities for an organized Arab campaign against the Jews.

MICHAEL

Ex-King Michael of Romania is in Switzerland, a free man. His escape from the Bolsheviks was considerably less dramatic than the day when his father, King Carol, got away from the Nazis under a hail of bullets from Storm Trooper rifles -- with the King getting down on the floor of his special car. Young Michael left with the permission of his Red overlords -- in a special train.

His Princess tried to telephone him at the Austrian border, but His ex-Majesty was taking no chances, remembering the Russian military strength in Austrian territory. Michael, who really is a young man of much experience, declined to leave his train until he reached Lausanne. It was there he received word that the Princess of Bourbon-Parma had called him from Copenhagen.

On his way into exile, and freedom, he traveled with his mother, Queen Helen. The Princess of Aosta and Prince Nicholas of Romania, were at the station in Lausanne to meet him.

Newspapermen reported that Michael looked tired, nervous and pale, as well he might.

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The number of monarchs remaining in Europe is now reduced to five -- Greece, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Great Britain.

PRINCESS

In Nineteen Fifteen, Miss Elizabeth Reid Rogers of Tennessee married His Serene Highness, ~~the~~ Prince Christian of Brabant of the German family of Hesse. That made her a German ^{subject,} ~~citizen,~~ ^{The same} ~~You will remember that the~~ Hesse family ^{that was} ~~was quite~~ ~~prominent~~ in the headlines last year, when an American Colonel and his Wac wife stole a million dollars' worth of crown jewels from a ~~secret~~ hiding place in the cellar of a palace on the Rhine.

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Today, the Princess Elizabeth of Hesse appeared before a federal court in the District of Columbia and asked ^{to} ~~to~~ become an American citizen once more. She wants to be known no longer as Princess Elizabeth of Hesse but as Elizabeth, Princess ~~Hesse~~. There's a bit of a snag in the way of that, since our Constitution forbids any American citizens to have a foreign title. Evidently the lady would like to be an American, but does not want to quit being called "Princess."

Do you know any Princesses, Nelson?