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TRUMAN SAYS LIFE IS CHEAP TO ENEMY

Tells Groups Aiding Physically Handicapped Foe Uses People to Attain Lawless Ends

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9—President Truman, addressing a meeting of groups working to provide employment for the physically handicapped, asserted today that this country was confronted by forces that had "no regard for the value of the human life."

Obviously referring to the fighting in Korea, the President declared: "We are confronted by those who think of human lives only in terms of power. For them the individual is of no consequence. They think of the people only as an instrument for achieving their own lawless ends."

He spoke at the annual meeting of the President's Committee on National Employment of the Physically Handicapped Week. Before going from the White House to the Labor Department's auditorium where the gathering was held, the President signed a proclamation designating the week beginning Oct. 1 an appeal in behalf of employment for the handicapped.

Mr. Truman told his listeners that their work was not overshadowed by the "important events which are occurring in the struggle for a just and lasting peace."

"At a time like this," he added, "it is essential that our country use all its productive resources. Our national strength is the chief reliance of the free world in its effort to overcome the forces of tyranny and aggression."

Dual Attack Is Urged Calling the problem of the physically handicapped a "tremendous" one, the President said that it must be attacked in two ways: prevention of disabling accidents and diseases and an increase in our efforts to rehabilitate the handicapped.

"I am devoting just as much time to those two things as to anything in the Government because of their importance," he asserted. "Through accident prevention we can do a great deal to reduce the number of persons who become disabled each year."

Rehabilitation "requires us to improve our programs for better medical care, for providing education and training, individual counseling and specialized job placement," he continued. "Through these activities we can conserve the human resources of our country. Through them we can strengthen and improve our most valuable asset—the lives of our citizens."

The programs, he said were not luxuries. He recalled that he had recommended to Congress specific methods to expand them, adding: "I have also recommended expansion of the programs for vocational rehabilitation, for the prevention of industrial accidents, and for increasing medical facilities and medical training."

Called Profitable Investment The programs, he said, represent a profitable investment for the country "but more important, they represent the right approach to the problems of our citizens."

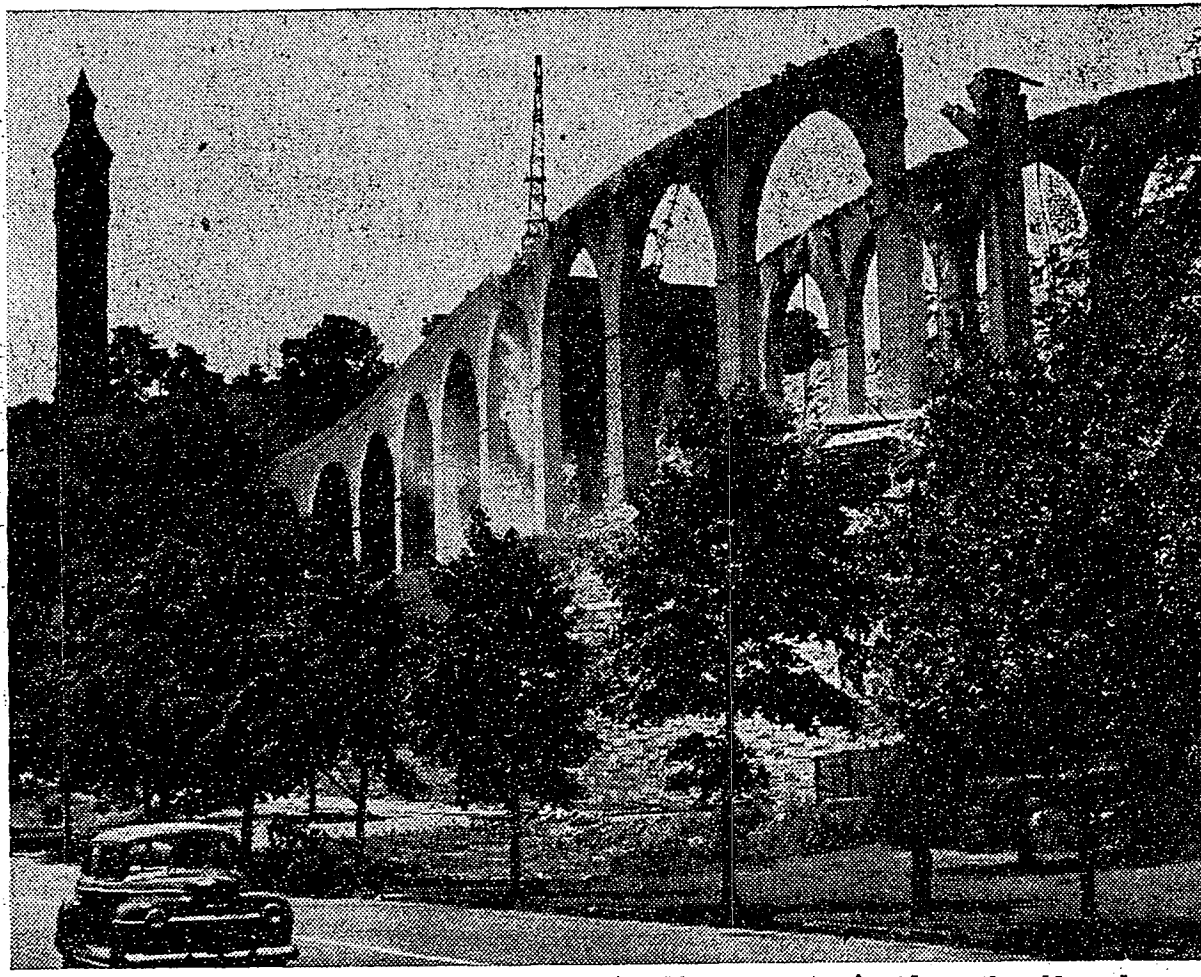
Declaring that the final step of rehabilitation was general acceptance of the person rehabilitated, Mr. Truman said that "nothing is more important than the acceptance, by employers and by the public, of the physically handicapped as normal members of a productive society."

He said that the physical handicapped often were cut off from making their contribution to the general welfare and were reduced to dependence on others. "In many cases this is unnecessary," he added. "They can do as much and earn as much as the physically perfect if they are guided to the right job and accepted on their merits."

Contrasting our society with that of forces having no regard for the value of human life, the President said: "In our society, on the other hand, human life is infinitely precious. Human life is something that comes to us from beyond this world and the purpose of our society is to cherish it and to enable the individual to attain the highest achievement of which he is capable."

Maurice J. Tobin, Secretary of Labor, welcomed the groups following Mr. Truman's address. One Killed in Havana Storm Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES. HAVANA, Aug. 9—A wind-storm with heavy rains struck Havana today, causing one death and flooding some districts. Firemen rescued residents in the districts where the water rose rapidly.

DEMOLITION UNDER WAY FOR NEW HARLEM SPEEDWAY SYSTEM



View of the High Bridge overpass showing wrecking crews tearing down the old roadway and construction work being done at 181st Street and Amsterdam Avenue section of the new roadway, which will lead in and out of the George Washington Bridge.

VIADUCT BEING RAZED FOR BRIDGE APPROACH

Demolition of a 1,500-foot section of the High Bridge Overpass connecting Amsterdam Avenue with the Harlem River Speedway, a project proposed some time ago, is already under way. This will make room for the proposed new High Bridge Traffic Interchange.

When the demolition work is completed, the area will be ready for the construction of the High Bridge Interchange, costing \$3,163,000.

It will connect the Harlem River Speedway, the George Washington approach at 181st Street, the 178th Street tunnel to the George Washington Bridge, the new 179th Street tunnel approach to that bridge, and the western end of the Cross Bronx Expressway.

Murray Seen Oklahoma Victor OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Aug. 9 (AP)—John Murray late today apparently had won the Democratic nomination for Governor of Oklahoma on the basis of complete official recount returns. Oklahoma County was the last of the state's seventy-seven counties to report, returning a net gain of eighty votes for William O. Coe. On the basis of recount returns, Mr. Murray's final margin over Mr. Coe would be 962. Official returns from the July 25 runoff primary gave Mr. Murray a lead of 1,008.

Bandit Shoots College Wrestler SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Aug. 9 (AP)—John P. Cepuran, 155-pound wrestling champion at Springfield College, threw a punch at one of two armed hold-up men today and was shot in the head for his daring. The bullet grazed his scalp. Mr. Cepuran is a 24-year-old senior from Long Island City, N. Y. The police arrested two Springfield youths as the assailants.

Pope Blesses Catholic Scouts CASTEL GANDOLFO, Italy, Aug. 9 (AP)—Pope Pius XII blessed today the Catholic Boy Scouts of America, whose representatives he received in special audience at his summer residence. The Pontiff met the group of twenty-five scouts and their leaders and spoke to each one. The audience ended with Pope giving each of the group a Holy Year medal.

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