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PEACE OR WAR?

Which will it be when Japan's special envoy, Kurosu, and the U. S. end their forthcoming parley at Washington? With U. S. marines about to quit China, the outlook isn't very favorable. Read the NEWS-REVIEW and keep posted.

U. S. MARINES WILL QUIT JAP-HELD CHINA

Reds Continue to Batter Foe On Moscow Front as Stalin Predicts Collapse of Reich

Nazis Admit Halt Because Of Weather

Crimean Defense Becomes Stiffer; British Ready to Hurl Army Into Caucasus

By the Associated Press
Russia's premier Joseph Stalin declared today that "Germany is bleeding to death . . . facing disaster" and confidently predicted that within a few months, perhaps a year, the reich would "burst under the weight of her own crimes."

As Stalin thus reflected optimism in the fight against Adolf Hitler's invasion armies, counter-attacking soviet troops were reported battering the Germans into retreat in the Volokolamsk sector, 65 miles northwest of Moscow. Front-line dispatches said the Russians were continuing the advance after capturing a number of towns against strong German tank and infantry forces.

German military commentators acknowledged that the German offensive against Moscow had been stopped by weather conditions which prevented any large-scale operations—particularly a direct assault on the U. S. S. R. capital.

Soviet dispatches from the northern front said the Germans had attempted in vain to regain the initiative before Leningrad, with heavy losses on both sides. Actual capture of the city, under siege for many weeks, was de-

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

NEW in today's (Wednesday's) news:
Canadian Navy Minister Angus Macdonald says in Toronto that Nazi submarines are operating "off the coast of Newfoundland—within sight of the shore."

IN Washington "informed sources" (we're learning that trick too, you see) assert that Germany intends to make the waters west of Iceland a major theatre in the battle of the Atlantic and fight for a decision there with "wolf pack" U-boat tactics.

Navy Secretary Knox says in Washington that new submarine tactics revolve chiefly around hunting in packs.
He adds that submarines are also hunting on the surface at night, making more necessary the arming of merchant ships.

RECALL here that GERMAN statistics just issued indicate that destruction of allied shipping in October, the first month in which the American navy has been actively co-operating in protection of British-bound cargoes, fell SHARPLY under the record for September.

American navy protection (so far) extends only to Iceland. If what we hear today is true, German submarines are moving into that area.

So look for more developments.

NEW also today:
The Japanese government announces it is sending Saburo Kurosu, former ambassador to Germany, to Washington by trans-Pacific Clipper to attempt to reach an accord with the United States "in view of the very serious situation prevailing."

He is the diplomat who signed

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Russ-Finn Peace Move Revealed By Secy. Hull

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—The state department today made public memorandums of conversations in which the United States transmitted to Finland information that soviet Russia was prepared to talk peace terms to end the Finnish-Russian war.

One conversation, between Undersecretary of State Welles and H. J. Procopé, the Finnish minister, took place on August 18, and a talk between Secretary of State Hull and Procopé on October 3.

Hull said at his press conference today he had not yet received a reply from the Finnish government concerning his declaration to the Finns that unless they stopped their offensive against the red army they would forfeit the friendship of the United States.

Warns Against Hitler

Release of a digest of Hull's conversation with Procopé revealed that Hull had informed the Finnish government that he was glad Finland had regained its lost territories but that Hitler, "practicing loathsome barbaric methods, is undertaking to conquer the earth" and that the United States was prepared to expend \$75,000,000,000 if necessary "to aid in resisting and suppressing Hitler and Hitlerism."

Hull added that "the one question uppermost in the mind of my government with respect to Finland is whether Finland is going to be content to regain her lost territory and stop there, or whether she will undertake to go further, if she has not already done so, so that the logical effect of her course and action would be to project her on the side of Hitler into the general war between Germany and Russia and the other countries involved."

Lost Plane Now Sought in Area Near McMinville

McMINNVILLE, Ore., Nov. 7.—(AP)—A report that a plane apparently in trouble might have landed in the heavily wooded and mountainous Meadow lake district 12 miles west of here, spurred search today for a craft missing since Oct. 25.

Frank McKenna, 36, Detroit and Glendale, Calif., manufacturer, and his pilot, Elmer Jeffries, 29, Bakersfield, Calif., took off from Eugene for Seattle on that date and have been unreported since.

C. V. Bell aviation instructor at Benson polytechnic school, Portland, reported that he heard a plane circling overhead, apparently seeking a landing place, while he was hunting in the Lee creek vicinity on Oct. 25.

He concluded that the plane was down in the country near the headwaters of the Nestucca river.

A reward of \$1000 has been offered for the missing airmen.

Neutrality Repeal Vote Nears; Austin in Favor

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—While administration leaders drove for a final senate vote on neutrality law revision by nightfall, Senator Austin (R-Vt.) told his colleagues today that congress should wipe out the law entirely and thus "serve notice on our enemies that the United States is not neutral."

The pending legislation would repeal those sections of the law which now prevent American merchant ships from carrying arms or entering belligerent ports and combat zones.

Administration leaders claimed the certain support of 53 senators—four more than needed to pass the measure.

Lend-Lease Aid of Billion Given Russia

Supplies Will Reach Reds In Good Time, Assurance Voiced by Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—The United States backed the hard-pressed armies of Russia with a billion dollar lend-lease credit today.

President Roosevelt directs deliveries "to commence immediately and to be fulfilled in the largest possible amounts" until the huge stores of munitions represented by the credit are in soviet hands.

This new assistance program posed for the nation a stupendous task both in production and transportation if the supplies are to reach the Russian fronts in effective time, but Mr. Roosevelt indicated definite confidence that the job would be done.

The unheralded decision to extend lend-lease aid to Russia was announced yesterday by the state department. Whether by accident or design, the announcement was psychologically well-timed. It came on the eve of the soviet's great national holiday—the 24th anniversary of the 1917 bolshevik revolution. And it followed by a few hours the radio address of Premier Joseph Stalin, in which the Russian leader spoke of the "great importance" of the aid already being received from Britain and the United States.

Finland's Attitude Stated.
The recent warning of the state department to the government of Finland to cease fighting against Russia if friendship with the United States were to be retained was recalled today by a

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Strike Still Ties 13 Portland Meat Markets

PORTLAND, Nov. 7.—(AP)—The tie-up of 13 Portland meat markets continued today as the AFL meatcutters' union awaited its Monday meeting to consider an arbitration offer by the Oregon meat council.

Meade Hadley, council secretary, said the employers were willing to submit the wage issue to a neutral individual. The union asks \$47.50 for a 48-hour week. Hadley said employers had offered \$44.

Railroads Accept Federal Board's Wage Increase Slate That Will Cost Them 260 Million Annually

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 7.—(AP)—The carriers conference committees representing all class 1 railroads in the United States announced today they had decided to accept the recommendations of President Roosevelt's fact-finding board for temporary wage increases for 1,250,000 railroad workers.

The committees issued the following statement:
"The carriers conference committees representing eastern western and southeastern railroads announced today that while they are disappointed in the recommendations of the president's emergency board in their working rules, wages and vacation disputes, and despite the very heavy burden it imposes upon the railroads of the country, they have concluded to accept the board's recommendations with respect to these issues."

"A full and fair hearing was held before the president's emergency board as provided by law, and the committees feel that in this time of national emergency,

GMC Plant In Jersey Hit By Walkout

Strike at St. Louis Tool Factory Ended; Disputes Retard Two Naval Jobs

By the Associated Press
A CIO strike today gripped a General Motors assembly plant at Linden, N. J., but a walkout at a St. Louis machine tool factory was ended by signing of a new contract.

A spokesman for the CIO United Automobile Workers at the Linden plant reported that 2,000 men on the night shift had walked out in protest against working conditions and that the day shift workers, numbering about 2,200, also would refuse to work until the grievance was adjusted. The union's principal complaint involved allegations that older men had been discharged and replaced by new workers.

Plant officials had no immediate comment.

Under the terms which settled the strike of 300 CIO workers at the Medart company's machine tool plant at St. Louis, employees won a three-year contract providing for a union ship, an immediate wage increase of 5 cents an hour, and similar increases on April 29 and October 25 next year. The union estimated the average wage before the strike at 60 cents an hour.

Welders' Dispute Slated

Meanwhile AFL metal trades union representatives were summoned to confer in Washington November 17 on the grievances of Pacific coast shipyard welders, whose unfulfilled demands for a separate AFL charter caused a walkout which ended only yesterday.

The conference was called by Sidney Hillman, associated director of the office of production management. The welders, organized as the United Welders, Cutters and Helpers of America (independent), complain that in some cases they have to pay dues to several AFL unions in order to carry on their work. Estimates of the number of welders involved in the shipyard strikes varied

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Penalty Reduced for Log Hauling Violators

SALEM, Nov. 7.—(AP)—State highway commission yesterday fixed penalties for violation of log hauling regulations at four days suspension for each offense. The penalties originally were 10 days for the first offense, 20 days for the second, and 30 days for the third.

The commission decided against keeping McKenzie pass, over the Cascades between Eugene and Bend, open this winter. The road, however, will be kept open between Eugene and the ski area.

War Distracts Ex-Nazi Star



After writing a despondent note that she "could no longer find solace in the fact that Europe is in a mess—that we over here should be grateful to be alive," Anna Lisa Debat, 23, former star of German films, was reported missing from her Hollywood home.

Copco Lines Sale Hearing Held Here

Little public interest was shown here today in the hearing called by the public utilities commission on the application of the North Douglas Electric cooperative for authority to purchase the distribution system of the California Oregon Power company in Douglas county north of Oakland. Arrangements for the sale of the system by Copco to the cooperative have been agreed upon by the two concerns, but formal authority must be granted by the commission before the transfer can be made.

Today's hearing was conducted by T. O. Russell, chief engineer, and Joe Kennedy, chief accountant, who were presented with the contract agreement between the concern and who examined witnesses to determine the advantages claimed for the proposed change in ownership.

Principal discussion centered around the rate structure to be set up under the cooperative ownership.

The California Power company was represented by A. S. Cummings, Medford, president, and J. C. Boyle, Medford, vice-president and general manager. Dexter Rice appeared as attorney for the company.

The cooperative was represented by R. L. Adams, superintendent, and the directors, R. R. Clarke, Oakland; Dee Wilson, Yoncalla; C. D. Harvey, Sutherlin; Lester Wells, Yoncalla; Ervin Rice, Oakland; Boyd Rader, Oakland; H. S. Powell, Oakland; W. Perini, Anlauf, and Art Rychar, Yoncalla. Attorney Maurice Hallmark appeared as counsel for the cooperative.

Browne, Bioff Convicted In Movie Extortion Case

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—(AP)—A possible maximum penalty of 30 years in prison and \$30,000 fines confronts labor leaders George E. Browne and William Bioff, convicted of extorting \$550,000 from movie executives.

A federal court jury yesterday found the pair guilty on all three counts of an indictment.

The verdict, climaxing a four-weeks trial that brought some of Hollywood's top executives to the witness stand, will, Judge John C. Knox told the jurors, "let a lot of fresh air into a lot of homes in this country."

Grand Jury Files Charges Against Three

Five Others Freed on Not True Bills; Seven Civil Cases Set for Hearings

Three indictments and five not true bills were returned by the Douglas county grand jury, which submitted its report today, following a week of investigation into cases presented for consideration.

Milburn Lawrence Wells was indicted on a charge of non-support of minor children; Frances Catherine Mauzey was indicted on a charge of larceny of personal property of less value than \$35, and Hugh McAfee was indicted on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The case of Mrs. Mauzey was referred from the Reedsport justice court, where she was charged with the more serious offense of larceny from the person. The grand jury brought its indictment on a less serious charge.

Five Freed of Charges

Not true bills were returned in favor of Alfred Muesel, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon; William Noble, accused of issuing NSF checks; Lawrence Noel and Douglas Dalley, both accused of assault and battery, and Ray Roberts, charged with non-support of minor children.

No arraignments of the three persons against whom indictments were returned have been made. Bail for McAfee was fixed at \$1,000. Mrs. Mauzey furnished bail at the Reedsport justice court, and this was continued. Wells is at liberty on his own recognizance.

The grand jury reported it had completed its work, and an order was made by Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly discharging the members from further attendance. A new jury will be drawn when court convenes next week.

The circuit court term will open Monday, Nov. 10, at which time naturalization proceedings, postponed from the May term, will be heard. The jury is summoned to appear Tuesday to

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New Tax Proposal Aims at Incomes

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—A "withholding" tax on all personal incomes was proposed by chairman George (D-Ga.) of the senate finance committee today after congressional leaders had decided to delay action temporarily on treasury suggestions for a new revenue bill.

George took the position that sooner or later congress would have to face the necessity of raising more taxes to offset in part expected expenditures of \$3,000,000,000 a month in the next fiscal year. For that reason, he told reporters, he favored not only a payroll levy but a similar tax on all personal receipts.

The treasury was reported to have suggested that upwards of \$4,800,000,000 in new revenues be added to the \$3,500,000,000 piled on the nation's tax bill when congress enacted steeper levies last summer.

One of the treasury suggestions was said to call for a 15 per cent payroll tax, collected at the source. This amount, to be deducted from the worker's weekly or monthly pay check, would be in addition to what ever regular income tax he is now obliged to pay.

SALEM, Nov. 7.—(AP)—The effect of increased federal income taxes will be to decrease state income tax revenue by 11 or 12 per cent, the state tax commission said today.

The commission said that federal tax payments may be deducted in computing state taxes, thus reducing each person's taxable income under the state income tax law.

Ace Envoy Seeks U. S.-Japan Peace



En route to the United States for a "last effort" to adjust American-Japanese relations, which have reached a critical stage, is Saburo Kurosu, above. Regarded as Japan's ace diplomat, Kurosu, while ambassador to Berlin, signed the axis pact for Japan.

Veto Looms For Price Control Bill

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—High administration officials said today President Roosevelt would veto the pending price-control bill, which critics say would permit sharp increases in the cost of agricultural commodities, if it reached his desk in the form recommended by the house banking committee.

At his press conference earlier in the day, the chief executive did not answer questions concerning rollings for farm prices but it was learned authoritatively that the bill's restrictions against establishing ceilings for those commodities below the 1918-1929 average were objectionable to the president.

"They have been criticized by members of the committee as an 'invitation to inflation' on the ground that they would permit prices for some farm products, including cotton, lamb, sugar and corn, to rise 20 per cent or more."

Despite the president's reported opposition, there was no immediate indication that the committee would attempt to revise the bill before it reaches the house floor. It has not yet been formally reported to the house, although the banking committee approved it last Saturday, but chairman Steagall (D-Ala.) said last night he hoped to present it today and to call it up for house debate next Wednesday or Thursday.

Roseburg's Armistice Day Program Lists Judge D. M. King as Speaker, Football Game, Dugout for Veterans

Circuit Judge Dal M. King of Myrtle Point will be the principal speaker at the Armistice day program in Roseburg, Tuesday, Nov. 11, it was announced today by James A. Young, chairman of the committee in charge of the celebration arrangements. Judge King is a World War veteran and an active member in the American Legion.

The program, which will begin at 10:45 a. m., will be preceded by a band concert at the theater.

Proceeding the annual football game between the Roseburg and Grants Pass high school teams, to be played at Finlay field, Umpqua post of the American Legion will dedicate a flagpole which the post is erecting and donating to the school. Mr. Young also announced that the Legion post this year, instead of collecting one-half of the proceeds from the football game as in previous years, is donating its

(By the Associated Press)
The smoldering crisis in the Far East was sharply emphasized today as President Roosevelt announced that the government was considering the withdrawal of U. S. Marines from Japanese-occupied Shanghai, Pieping and Tientsin.

Mr. Roosevelt declined to elaborate on his statement, but observers interpreted it as a prelude to "clearing the decks for action" in the event of hostilities develop between the United States and Japan.

Mr. Roosevelt said there had been no discussion between Washington and Tokyo at any time regarding the presence of American Marines in China, thereby implying that if the Marines were withdrawn, it would not be at Japan's request but entirely on United States initiative.

Another Jap Steamer Sunk

The president's dictum, which came with little surprise considering a chain of ominous developments in the Far East recently, followed a reported new aggravation in relations between Japan and Russia.

The Berlin radio quoted a Tokyo dispatch saying that another Japanese steamer, the 3,275-ton Taku Maru, had gone down in the sea of Japan, with 22 of the 46-man crew missing. The cause was not known, but previous sinkings in those waters have been attributed to Russian mines.

Meantime, known deaths in the mine-sinking of the Japanese steamer Kehl Maru rose to 20 and a Japanese spokesman declared "America must support Japan" in her protest to soviet Russia.

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Rod-Gun Club to Elect, View Wild Life Movies

Local sportsmen will have an opportunity tonight to see several reels of motion pictures dealing with Oregon scenery and wild life. The pictures will be shown by Ben Titus of the state highway department, who will present pictures recently made to be used to advertise the state's recreational resources.

The pictures will be shown at the meeting of the Roseburg Rod and Gun Club at the Knights of Pythias lodge hall at 7:30 p. m.

The club will hold its annual election of officers and discuss proposed activities of the winter season.

All members are urged to attend and sportsmen, not so far affiliated with the club, are invited.

Dugout Beckons Veterans

This year there will be no parade, feed for veterans nor dance under Legion sponsorship as in past celebrations. As a means of bringing veterans together for special entertainment, in place of the feed, arrangements have been made for a Legion dugout at Carl's Tavern, where all ex-service men are asked to assemble. All veterans are welcome, regardless of whether they are Legion members, and those affiliated with other ex-service organizations are requested, Mr. Young states, to wear the caps of their respective posts or chapters.

The day is to be observed as a general holiday in Roseburg, according to Harry Pinniger, secretary of the chamber of commerce, who reports that he has contacted the merchants of the city and that all of the principal stores will be closed throughout the entire day. Banks and offices also will observe the holiday.