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Accept Charter or Cheat Peace of Only Chance, Vandenberg Asserts

Alternative is World Chaos, Senate Told

Group Asks Limitation Of Stettinius' Power On Security Council

WASHINGTON, June 29—(AP)—Senator Vandenberg told his colleagues today they must accept the United Nations charter as a brave experiment or cheat the world of "its only collective chance" for peace.

In a vigorous endorsement of the San Francisco conference agreement for formation of an international organization, the chairman of the republican senatorial conference called the pledges "a new emancipation proclamation for the world."

Vandenberg said he would support the charter "in the deep conviction that the alternative is physical and moral chaos in many weary places of the earth."

"I shall do it because there must be no default in our pledged purpose to outlaw aggression so far as lies within our human power," he declared. "I shall do it because this plan, regardless of infirmities, holds great

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

PRESIDENT TRUMAN made a great speech in San Francisco Tuesday evening. It was so sensible, so reasonable, so REALISTICALLY PRACTICAL that it gives us new hope that the San Francisco conference may be the beginning of something BETTER in the world.

HERE is the heart of it: "We all have to recognize—no matter how great our strength—that we must deny ourselves the LICENSE to do always as we please. No one nation, no regional group, can or should expect any special privilege which harms any other nation."

"If any nation would keep security for itself, it must be ready and willing to SHARE SECURITY WITH ALL. That is the price which each nation will have to pay for world peace."

PRIMITIVE cavemen had LICENSE to kill his neighbor and take over his cave, but the neighbor had equal license to KILL HIM and TAKE OVER HIS CAVE. The result of all this license was a primitive tribal society ruled day and night by fear and foreboding.

It was to get away from this crushing day-and-night fear and foreboding that law and order, first on a tribal and then on a national scale, were established. Law and order involved the giving up of personal license to kill and rob, but in return for this price they conferred vastly

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No World Peace Unless U. S. Leads Way by Ratification Of Charter, Truman Declares

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 29—(AP)—President Truman put squarely up to the senate today what he termed the decision on future peace.

Unless the United States leads the way by ratification of the United Nations charter and a world court, he declared, "there can be no peace in the world."

His solemn warning, voiced in a homecoming ceremony last night, increased speculation he may submit the charter to the senate Monday in person.

"We are going to have to ratify this constitution of San Francisco," the president declared, "and I want to say to the United States: Do it first."

Meanwhile the president arranged a conference with former Gov. Alf M. Landon of Kansas, 1936 republican presidential nom-

Reedsport-Gardiner Area In Lead on Per Capita Sales of War Bonds in Douglas County

The Reedsport-Gardiner community was reported today to be leading Douglas county in per capita sales of war bonds, having reached 117 per cent of quota. In a previous weekly report on community standings, an error was made by the committee in stating Reedsport's quota and rating. Archie Fries, county chairman for the Seventh War Loan reports. The Reedsport-Gardiner quota is \$80,000 and sales total \$94,067, putting the lower Umpqua district well out in front.

7th War Loan Sets New Record, But E Bonds are Short

WASHINGTON, June 29—(AP)—The "Smash Japan" 7th war loan is the biggest of them all. Bond sales have reached \$21,639,000,000, breaking the previous record of \$21,621,000,000 made in the 6th war loan last winter.

The drive ends tomorrow. It began seven weeks ago, May 14, a few days after the defeat of Germany.

Although the \$15 billion overall quota has been snowed under, not all quotas have been reached. Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau said in a statement "we still need every dollar that can be subscribed by individuals for E bonds."

E bond sales are \$3,071,000,000 or 76.7 per cent of the \$4 billion dollar quota.

Individual sales, which include the E bonds, are \$6,910,000,000, or 98.7 per cent of the \$7 billion individual quota.

Corporation sales are \$14,729,000,000, more than twice the \$7 billion corporate quota.

The treasury always has aimed at financing the war as largely as possible out of individuals' pocketbooks in order to hold down the amount of idle cash during a time of merchandise shortages. The more cash there is, say the economists, the greater the danger of rising prices and inflation.

One-Man Oregon Town Now Has 2 Occupants

BEND, Ore., June 29—(AP)—Millican, tiny central Oregon town with a view of three mountains, is about to have its population doubled overnight.

The one-man hamlet has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. George Petry, Bend, by W. A. (Bachelor Billy) Rahn, owner and sole occupant. When Rahn, at the age of 60, retired as Millican postmaster two years ago and first offered his town for sale, he was swamped with offers of marriage.

Rahn said he'll roll out of Millican in his Model "T" with a bedroll, a few dishes and clothes.

Jap Bullet Ploughs Into Muzzle of GI's Rifle

WITH 24TH DIVISION ON MINDANAO, Philippines, June 29—(delayed)—(AP)—Pvt. Thomas M. Kneeland of Tillamook, Ore., fired his rifle at a Japanese soldier, instant the Japanese fired at him.

Kneeland felt a shock. Sparks and smoke flew from the muzzle of his Browning automatic rifle. The Japanese 25 calibre slug had hit in the Browning's muzzle flash hider and jammed half way down the barrel.

"I'm just as glad I didn't try to fire another shot," Kneeland said.

inee in one of a series of moves to unite both parties and all factions behind non-partisan objectives.

Isolationism End Urged

The president's speech last night was a reiteration of his oft-expressed request for an end to isolationism.

"It is absolutely necessary for the greatest republic that the sun

House Still in Battle Over Food "Czar"

WASHINGTON, June 29—(AP)—Another forensic storm over OPA brewed today.

A house republican bloc organized a drive bent on restoring to price control extension legislation virtual "czarist" food powers for the secretary of agriculture.

Rep. Anderson said his group will seek to reject a senate-approved two-chamber compromise and put back into the bill the supreme food powers the house voted to Clinton P. Anderson, incoming agriculture secretary.

The compromise grew out of separate house and senate measures extending the price control law one year beyond Saturday, with amendments designed to deal with food shortages.

Says Amendment Voided

Anderson contended in a statement that the compromise "emasculated" his amendment. He blamed "high administration leaders" who are afraid the new secretary of agriculture will make a success of the food production and distribution job.

As passed by the house, the Anderson amendment provided that before any government order on food became effective it must have approval of the secretary of agriculture. Moreover, it would have nullified any previous government food order not approved by the secretary in 90 days.

The compromise deleted authority for the secretary to control rationing, now an exclusive OPA function, and eliminated powers for the secretary to void prior government food orders.

Rep. Volcott, senior house bank-

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Senate in Clutch Of Filibuster To Hold Race Barrier

WASHINGTON, June 29—(AP)—A 12-hour, 32-minute session that ended early today brought the senate face-to-face with a decision whether to ration oratory.

Senator Taft and 31 colleagues, representing both major parties, presented a rarely-accepted cloture petition to limit senatorial debate. Senators Mitchell and Cordon and Morse, Oregon Republicans, were among the signers.

Most of the free and unlimited conversation which began at noon yesterday centered on a controversial proposal to vote operating funds to the Fair Employment Practice committee, a division of government which has a minimum of support from southern senators.

Senator Bilbo (D-Miss.) and a potent, talkative bloc of southerners opposed it on their contention that it spelled trouble between the races, friction in industry and governmental meddling in business.

Senator Chavez fought for it just as vigorously, contending the southerners were attempting to thwart the will of a majority of the senate.

The committee, established by executive order of the late President Roosevelt, is designed to prevent discrimination because of race, color, creed and national origin.

Cigaret Firm's Head Jailed, Fined \$10,000

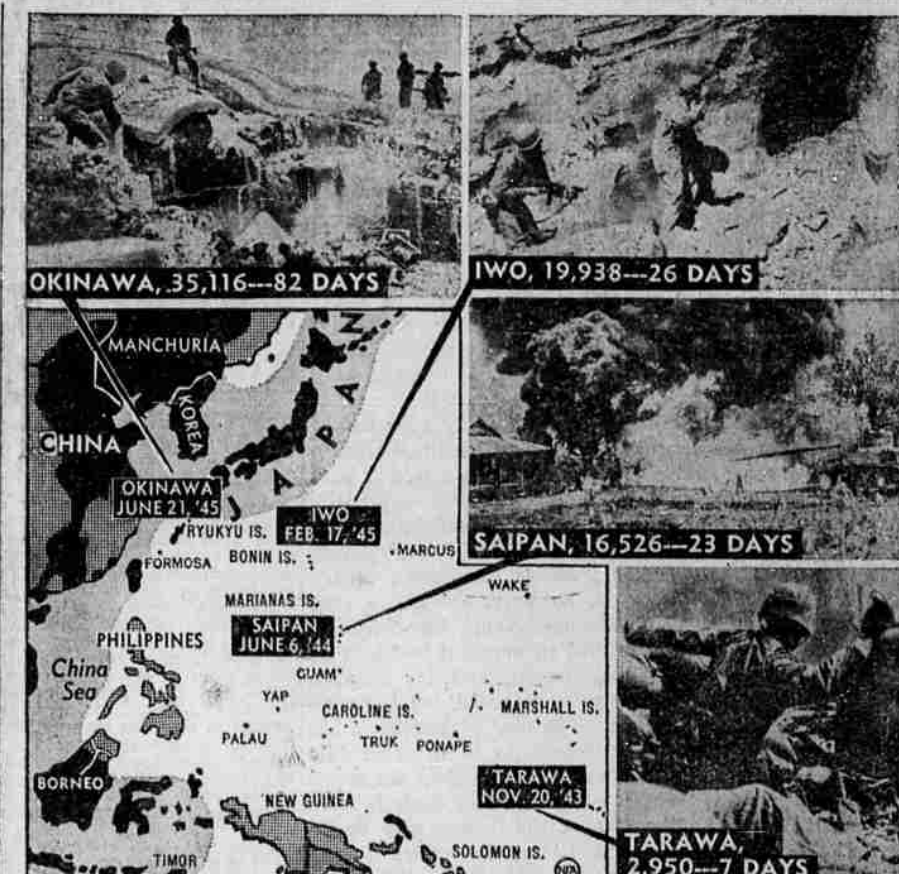
NEW YORK, June 29—(AP)—A wholesale cigarette distributing company was fined \$15,000 and its president sentenced to nine months in jail and fined \$10,000 Thursday for violating OPA regulations.

The company was W. Simon, Inc., and the president, Harry Simon, 43.

It was convicted of favoring black market operators in cigarette distribution.

Indignant Citizens Pay Fine of Baby's Helper

PORTLAND, June 29—(AP)—A driver fined \$10 for speeding on his way to a hospital with a baby, who was bleeding to death, today had been reimbursed by nine indignant citizens.



Tax Exemption Hike for Industry Given Approval

WASHINGTON, June 29—(AP)—Tax revision legislation intended to improve the cash position of business and industry by \$5,000,000,000 in the reconversion period was approved today by the house ways and means committee.

The measure raises the exemption under the excess profits tax from \$10,000 to \$25,000, but makes no other material change in ultimate tax obligations of corporations.

Efforts to broaden the legislation to cut individual tax burdens were defeated.

The legislation is designed principally to make more cash available to business and industry to hasten reconversion, by speeding up payment on 10 per cent refunds due under the '45 excess profits levy and other payments.

Five Provisions Listed

The five specific provisions of the bill are:

1. Increase the excess-profits tax specific exemption from \$10,000 to \$25,000. Effective beginning with the tax year 1946.
2. Provide that the postwar credit of 10 per cent of the excess profits tax be taken currently with respect to tax liabilities of 1944 and subsequent years.
3. Advance to January 1, 1946, the maturity date of outstanding excess-profits-tax postwar refund bonds.
4. Speed-up of refunds resulting from carry-backs of net operating losses and of unused excess-profits credits.
5. Hasten refunds resulting from the recommendation of deductions for amortization of emergency facilities.

The committee wrote in two amendments by Rep. Carlson, one providing that reorganized railroads should be treated like old railroads in the carry-back provisions of the tax law, and the other providing that corporations working on a fiscal year basis should get credit for the increased excess profits exemption for the part of their fiscal year falling within the calendar year 1945.

School Need Recognized In Cigaret Tax Vote

PORTLAND, June 29—(AP)—Defeat of the cigarette tax in last week's special election made financing of Oregon schools a grave problem, Frank W. Parr, executive secretary of the State Teachers association, said here.

He declared funds from income tax surplus may be only temporary. The situation will be pondered by the state tax study commission activated by the last legislature, Parr said.

"The substantial vote for the cigarette tax," he said, "is convincing evidence that the people of Oregon are looking to the state to provide more substantial support for public schools."

Three German Civilians Hanged for Murdering Downed American Airman

RHEINBACH, Germany, June 29—(AP)—Three German civilians were hanged today by American army executioners for killing an American airman after he parachuted to earth from a flaming bomber last August 15.

The hangings was the outcome of the first civilian war crime case brought to trial on German soil since the end of the war.

The three men hanged were convicted of shooting, clubbing and hammering an unknown flier to death. A fourth defendant, also was sentenced to death by the same military commission, but his sentence was commuted to life imprisonment by Lt. Gen. Leonard F. Gerow, commander of the 15th army.

The hangings were carried out by a traveling team of two army executioners who already had performed 70 hangings.

Fire Rules for Oregon Campers Effective July 1

PORTLAND, June 29—(AP)—The forest service advised campers today that special fire restrictions go into effect in northwest national forests July 1.

H. J. Andrews, regional forester, asked travelers to take an axe, shovel and water bucket; break matches in two before discarding; and extinguish cigarettes on an ash tray, damp earth, or rock. Camp fire permits are required except in specified fire-proofed camps.

Andrews said hazardous areas will be closed to the public if hot midsummer weather dries forests to the danger point.

Pilchard Run Chokes Reedsport Mill Pond

REEDSPORT, Ore., June 29—(AP)—Workers at the Bridge Lumber company mill knocked off today and went fishing—raking thousands of pilchard fish out of the boom pond so the mill could resume operations.

The fish choked the pond yesterday when the largest run of the species reported in the Umpqua river since 1932 got under way. The fish are being burned in the mill sawdust burner.

Commercial fishermen, chalking off the last of a successful shad season, predicted an exceptional silver salmon run will begin soon.

Ex-Sutherland Educator Takes College Position

PORTLAND, June 29—(AP)—Winston A. Gilchrist, superintendent of Estacada Union High school, will become business manager of Lewis and Clark college here July 1.

GI Furloughs for Railway Jobs Set

WASHINGTON, June 29—(AP)—The War Department announced today that 4,000 soldiers will be furloughed for work on U. S. railroads "to prevent a breakdown of rail transportation" during deployment of troops to the Pacific.

The soldiers, all experienced railroaders in civilian life, will be furloughed for a 30-day period. They will work as brakemen, locomotive firemen, boilermakers, electricians, car repairmen, mechanics, machinists and helpers.

Undersecretary of War Patterson said the action was authorized in response to an "urgent appeal" from the railroads for aid in easing a "critical" labor situation.

The War department took the step, Patterson added, with "extreme reluctance and only because we are convinced that there is no other way to maintain the speedy flow of traffic essential to the redeployment of our forces for the war against Japan."

The soldiers to be released to the railroads, starting immediately, will be those 26 years of age or older and preference will be given to those past 30. No soldiers who are being retrained for the Pacific war or who are scheduled to go overseas will be included.

Lost Dog Still Affects Boy Owner's Appetite

PORTLAND, Ore., June 29—(AP)—Food still held little interest today for three-year-old Johnny Palmore, grieving over his lost dog, but the cat who joined Johnny in a hunger strike has decided to resume three meals a day.

The boy, who with his big black cat kept a three-day foodless vigil on the front stoop, ate only a little soup and "fussed around with some orange juice and cookies" yesterday, A. J. Palmore, his father, reported.

"I came home to find his toy box half full of bones he been saving for Bingo," said his father. Mixed enticingly with the bones were some pieces of cookies. But Bingo still was missing.

Playmates, neighbors, police, and the humane society have joined the search.

Processors' Ceilings Set On Peaches, Cherries Set

WASHINGTON, June 29—(AP)—The War Food administration announced today that an average grower price of \$60 a ton will be used in fixing processors' ceiling prices for the 1945 pack of canned and frozen clingstone peaches.

PORTLAND, June 29—(AP)—An 8-cent-a-pound grower price on red sour cherries will determine processors' ceiling prices in the 1945 pack in California, Utah, Idaho, Washington and Oregon, the OPA said here.

Last year's grower prices were 74 cents per pound in all states.

Sasebo Naval Base Principal Bomb Target

Nippon Industries Flee To Manchuria; U. S. Fleet Rules Makassar Strait

(By the Associated Press) Fires as they flowed through clouds were lit by nearly 500 Superforts today in four more cities of Nippon, which Tokyo said was seeing "a curtain raiser to the decisive battle of the Japanese mainland."

Enemy broadcasts said "full dress air raids" from ten fields on Okinawa are being flown almost daily again Kyushu, southernmost island of Nippon and site of most B-29 targets today. Kyushu has been converted into "an impregnable fortress," broadcasters reported, but they worried about increased American power in Alaska and possible invasion of their "sacred land" from the north.

Sasebo Chief Target

A primary and one of the hottest pre-dawn B-29 targets in today's 3,000-ton incendiary raid was Sasebo on western Kyushu, one of Nippon's four major naval bases and only sea guardian of the route to Manchuria. American and Japanese reports did not agree on just what cities were hit, although all reports said roaring fires were started.

The 21st bomber command listed targets as Sasebo; Moli, coal shipping port on Kyushu island and southern terminus of a submarine tunnel to Honshu island; Noboka, whose four basic chemical plants make it a military explosive production center; and Okayama, airplane parts manufacturing center.

Nipponese reports omitted mention of Noboka and added Kanoya, important port on Kyushu, at the southern tip of Japan; and Shimonoseki, on Honshu island across a narrow strait from Moli.

It was the first incendiary attack on Sasebo and the first B-29 strike at the other cities. At least 18 Japanese cities have now been hit by the big bombers. Only one

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Hershel Byrd, as Prisoner, Believed Killed on Jap Ship

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Byrd, 645 S. Flint St., Roseburg, have received word that their son, Hershel (Buddy) Byrd, is believed to have died when a Japanese freighter, transporting prisoners, was torpedoed and sunk off Shoshan on the eastern coast of China, Oct. 24, 1944.

Byrd had been held captive in Bilbid prisoners of war camp in the Philippine islands until the middle of October, when he was removed to the freighter, which anchored for about a week off Manila harbor, at which point it returned Oct. 20. It joined a convoy of Jap ships which proceeded in a northwesterly direction. The ship bore no marks to indicate it was carrying prisoners of war, and was sunk by American submarines.

Records kept by Japanese authorities in the Philippines recently came into the possession of U. S. naval personnel, and these reveal that Byrd did not survive the sinking, the parents were advised.

Surviving, besides the parents, are four brothers, Clyde Byrd, Salem; Dale Byrd, Klamath Falls; Keith Byrd, pharmacist mate second class, U. S. marines, now in the South Pacific, and Maynard Byrd, Roseburg; also a half-brother, Charles Talley, Roseburg.

Pea Canneries Hit by Shortage of Field Labor

WALLA WALLA, June 29—(AP)—Shortage of field labor in the pea growing area of southeastern Washington and northern Oregon is reducing cannery production "thousands of cases daily," cannery operators reported yesterday. They are placing their daily losses at "more than 15,000 cases."

Mexican nationals imported to the pea fields are the chief source of labor and use of them in the cherry harvest in the Milton, Ore. area has reduced the supply of pea field workers.

The canneries are using 1,000 prisoners of war in their operations. Federal, army, navy and state officials have been appealed to in efforts to relieve the labor shortage.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

With Gov. Snell setting a \$100,000,000 postwar tourist goal and WMC Chairman McNutt predicting 2,000,000 unemployed by June 1946, we may ultimately see two types of contemporary transients: One on wheels looking for recreation spots, the other afoot looking for jobs.