

Creation Of Indonesian Republic Reverses Statesman's Assertion

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"The day of small nations has passed away; the day of empires has come."
You may have three guesses as to when that declaration was made, and by whom. Give up? Well, the famous British statesman Joseph Chamberlain made that statement in 1904 during a speech at Birmingham, England. That was only 45 years ago. Last week the Dutch signed away their sovereignty to the rich Dutch East Indies over which Holland had ruled for three centuries. These brightest jewels in the imperial crown now comprise the United States of Indonesia—a republic. The 70,000,000 natives

of these bounteous islands of spices and sugar and rubber and oil are taking over management of their own birthright. Thus has the Netherlands followed the footsteps of Chamberlain's England, which rapidly has



AIR FORCE CHIEF RAPS NAVY—Testifying before the House armed services committee in Washington, General Hoyt S. Vandenberg (right), U. S. Air Force chief of staff, charged that the Navy seeks to repudiate the national war plan which "is in fact" now preventing Russia from aggression. At left is Air Force Secretary W. Stuart Symington.

been turning her vast empire—upon which even today the sun never sets—into a commonwealth of independent nations. The Dutch move gives us further indisputable proof that we must reverse Chamberlain's statement and note that "the day of empires has passed away; the day of small nations has come."
The historic agreement between the Dutch and the Indonesians was signed at the Hague. Under that pact, which is subject to approval of the Dutch and Indonesian parliaments, the new republic becomes a sovereign part of the Dutch commonwealth which is linked together by the crown. The union is similar to the British commonwealth.
One Disappointment
On one important point the Indonesians were disappointed. They had wanted to include the Dutch portion of the great island of New Guinea in the republic. The Dutch opposed the transfer and finally the matter was compromised on the basis that Hol-

land should retain control of the New Guinea territory for another year, pending further discussions as to its ultimate disposition. The eastern part of New Guinea is of course occupied by Australia.
New Guinea is the world's third largest island, so huge that it is almost big enough to be entitled to the designation of continent. However, it is such an inhospitable land that at first glance one wonders why anybody should claim it.
The island is a wild area, much of which is covered with the world's most horrifying jungle. This jungle is a hell-hole, filled with more forms of evil death than a madman could conjure up.
So why the yearning for this territory by both Indonesia and the Dutch? Well, it seems that nature played a rick on mankind. She concealed great wealth in the earth of New Guinea—minerals and oil—and then set some of her most evil forces to guard the treasure. New Guinea already is known to hold great riches, and portions of it still remain to be explored. Moreover the big island is strategically important.

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Money Sought In Court Actions

The following money actions have been filed in circuit court: Western States Lumber company vs. Harvey D. Yates and W. E. Cornell. Plaintiff asks judgment for \$1,531.19 alleged due on a loan to defendants.
Harvey J. Howell vs. Arvid H. Oscarson. Plaintiff asks judgment for \$143.82 damages claimed as the result of an automobile accident July 17 on highway 38.
Credit Bureaus Adjustment Dept., Inc. vs. Roy and Mrs. Roy Waldron. Plaintiff asks judgment for \$360.81 as a balance alleged due on an assigned merchandise account.
Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly has issued a judgment order in favor of Coastal Adjustment Bureau, Inc. and against Verne Pouncey. The amount listed is \$1,287.87, less \$375 which has been paid on the account since filing of the original complaint.

Rex Mays, Noted Speed King, Dies in Racing Crash

DEL MAR, Calif., Nov. 7.—(AP)—Death struck Rex Mays, one of the great automobile speed kings, in a flash of roaring steel here yesterday.
His death on the 13th lap of a 100-mile big-car American Automobile association race brought sorrow to the auto racing world. He was roaring around the south turn of the one-mile track, second to Jim Davies of Los Angeles, when something went wrong.
The nearest to official accounts (a deputy sheriff's report) was that Mays' car collided with one driven by Johnny Parsons of Los Angeles.
He was thrown from the speeding machine as it turned over and over and crashed through the infield rail.
The 22,000 spectators saw his body hurled onto the middle of the track and then flung up again as another car hit it. A second car was believed to have struck him.
After the track was cleared, the race went on with Davies winning in one hour, 10 minutes, 17.41 seconds. Eleven of the 17 starters finished.
Mays was the AAA National Champion in 1940-41 and holder of a number of track records. He raced 12 times in the 500-mile Indianapolis classic.

Beaver Bathe As Deer Dam Ditch

Many reports of wildlife damage are received and investigated by employees of the Oregon State Game commission, but two recent complaints from Grant county have the commission's district agent wondering. From Ritter Hot Springs came a report that the beaver in the area were not only cutting fruit trees but were trailing down to the hot springs and taking baths in the hot water tubs which had been constructed for human use. The same mail brought a complaint of the reported activities of deer damming up an irrigation ditch.
The district agent is wondering if this could be some cooperative agreement whereby the deer were taking over the normal work of the beaver while the latter took the cure for rheumatism, without payment of fee, no doubt.

George Morgan Will Appear At Myrtle Creek

George Morgan, the newest singing sensation of WSM's Grand Ole Opry will appear in person at Melody Mountain Barn in Myrtle Creek on Thursday, Nov. 10.
George is one of the youngest stars to reach the top of the popularity ladder, and with a talented group in his band, has recorded for Columbia Records some of the outstanding hit songs of the year. George's first Columbia release was a tune that he wrote, "Candy Kisses," a claim also advanced by Eddie Kirk. This song immediately zoomed to the top spot in popularity. Following "Candy Kisses" came "Rainbow in My Heart," "Room Full of Roses," and his latest sensation, "I Love Everything About You."
Appearing with George Morgan are his "Candy Kids," featuring Zeb Turner, the boy of "Mountain Boogie" fame, Don Davis on the steel guitar, Joel Price, bass man and comedian, Chet Decker, rhythm guitar and others.
This hour and a half show has been designed to please the whole family because it is packed full of fun and melody.

EX-POLICE CHIEF RAPPED MONTGOMERY, Ala.

Former Florida Police Chief Thomas I. Gantt was fined \$200 and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary here on charges of beating five Negroes to make them confess a crime.
Gantt pleaded guilty to the charges made in a federal grand jury indictment Sept. 16.

TALKS TO WRONG MAN ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

Joseph Markel, 24, was booked for disorderly conduct. He was charged with directing derogatory language at a fellow motorist.
The other motorist was Bernallillo county Sheriff John A. Flaska.

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Like The Doughnut Hole, Just None Of Nothing

WINONA, Minn.—(AP)—The customer identified himself as Rev. Carl Miller from nearby Leveiston. He ordered 48 dozen doughnuts for his First Baptist church supper.
The Winona Bakery employee gave him \$12.80 change from a \$30 check.
"So-o," the bakery fried the crullers. But Rev. Miller didn't show. Sheriff George Fort is looking for him. Because there is no Rev. Miller. No church supper, not even such a church. And no money to cover that check.
Just lots and lots of doughnuts.

ENOUGH FOR PRESENT ATLANTA

ATLANTA.—(AP)—Twins last January 16—triplets this November 5.
"Gosh, I hope there are no more any time soon," said Mrs. Thelma Gibbs, 27, of Atlanta.
She was feeling fine, though, after giving birth to three girls. She has four other children by a previous marriage. They live with her parents.
Her husband is a parking lot attendant.
The ground surrounding the Capitol building at Washington, D. C., covers 58.8 acres.
The hog is the only important domestic animal grown primarily for food.

Barkley's Fiancee Ill At Hospital With Flu

ST. LOUIS.—(AP)—A touch of flu and need for some rest has put Vice-President Alben W. Barkley's fiancee in the hospital.
But the wedding of the 71-year-old Barkley and Mrs. Carleton S. Hadley is still set for Nov. 18. Mrs. Hadley's mother, Mrs. Estle Rucker, said "The telephone and the door bell have been ringing almost constantly since plans for the wedding were announced."

COPS HOME ROBBED CLEVELAND

CLEVELAND.—(AP)—Burglars let Police Lt. John Mernagh's watch dog out of his house then stole two of his police uniforms, a radio, a clock and silverware.

LONG STRIKE SETTLED VANCOUVER, B. C.

(CP)—The longest labor siege in Vancouver's history ended Friday night with the settlement of the 41-month strike against the Daily Province newspaper by three allied printing trade unions. A "complete and harmonious settlement" was announced between P. C. Galbraith, publisher of the Province and representatives of the International Typographical union (A.F.L.)

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