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NAVAL FORCES HELD VITAL IN COAST DEFENCE

Aviation Controversy Discussed by Admirals at San Francisco Meeting; Plans Outlined

FRIENDSHIP WITH CHINA PLEDGED COMMANDERS

Strong Navy in Pacific Ocean Declared Greatest Need of States

SAN FRANCISCO, April 8.—(By Associated Press)—The aviation controversy, the need for a naval base in San Francisco bay and changes that have taken place in the navy in the past 30 years were discussed by three admirals of the United States fleet at a luncheon given today to senior officers by the Chamber of Commerce and the commercial club.

Base Necessary

Rear Admiral Thomas P. Magruder reiterated his statement of yesterday that the establishment of a naval base in San Francisco harbor is vital to the navy. He told of the rise of the Bremerton base and its present position "almost up to New York and a great deal to Seattle, the state of Washington and the entire northwest."

"It seems to me that out here you do not realize your destiny," he continued. "With population rolling in on you, with trade increasing and the possibilities that are found in the south seas, the antipodes and the 300,000,000 people of China, we do not seem to grasp our destiny. We should plan and look toward the future."

He compeared his first cruise in the navy in 1885, when the American flag was an infrequent sight upon the seven seas, to present conditions. He took occasion to compliment highly the enlisted men of the present.

Need of Defense Told

The need of a strong navy in the Pacific, especially to assist in maintaining the open door policy in China, was stressed by Rear Admiral Magruder, commander of the light cruiser division of the scouting fleet.

"If we have a war in the future, the probabilities are that it will take place in the Pacific ocean," he said. "In the event I am sure we would have in China a good friend, a neutral friend, perhaps, but of a very benevolent neutrality."

The three salient points of the aviation program were outlined by Rear Admiral W. V. Pratt, commander of battleship division four of the battle fleet. He said that the situation of the United

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MINISTRY WILL RETAIN OFFICE

French Cabinet to Remain Despite Prediction of its Resignation

PARIS, April 8.—(By the Associated Press).—The Herriot ministry will remain in office for the present notwithstanding the fact that its resignation seemed close at hand last night. The cabinet held a lengthy meeting lasting into the early hours, at which the question of its resignation was debated. The entire situation hinged upon the government's bill dealing with an increase in the currency issue by the Bank of France and a "forced loan."

At the adjournment of the cabinet council, a communiqué was issued by M. Chautemps, minister of the interior. It made no reference to the subject of the resignation of the ministry, but dealt with perfidious matters which had come up for discussion. It stated that M. De Monzie, the finance minister, had made known to his colleagues the condition under which the examination of the financial bill was being pursued before the chamber. The cabinet deliberated on this bill and on the necessity of bringing it into line with the declarations made by the government on the rights of war cripples and inhabitants who had suffered property damage in the war.

The financial bill will come up before the chamber Friday evening.

Sending Pictures by Radio Is Described; Scientists Hold Meet

BALTIMORE, Md., April 8.—C. Francis Jenkins of Washington tonight explained to the American chemical society, in session here, the development of method of sending pictures by radio. "The only mystery about sending pictures by radio," Mr. Jenkins said, "exists in the minds of the people who think it must all be something extraordinary. The process involved, however, is indeed very simple and consists merely in cutting a picture into tiny bits, throwing it out a window and collecting the fragments to put them together again somewhere else."

"At a sending station the picture is cut into bits in the following way: An old fashioned magic lantern projects the picture upon a machine in which revolve four prismatic rings, two horizontal and two vertical. The prismatic rings are circular lenses, carefully ground and possessed of the power

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PAYOUT THIEF CAPTURED HERE BALLOT TITLERS ARE COMPLETED

39 of 42 Checks in North Bend Are Found in Prisoner's Possession

Ray Hill, 20, transient, was arrested last night by Officer Louis Olsen after he had attempted to cash pay checks stolen from the Coos Bay Stevedoring company at North Bend some time ago. A description of the man had been given by a local merchant.

A total of 39 of the 42 missing pay checks were found in possession of Hill, who claimed that he had found them. Three of the original number were gone and it is presumed that they have been cashed.

A new jack-knife, a new pair of shears and an alarm clock found in the possession of the man lead the local officers to believe that the three missing checks have been cashed. Hill is alleged to have confessed converting two of them in Eugene, but does not furnish information concerning the third one.

The checks were countersigned by the cashier and the president of the stevedoring company and were made out to different individuals. A total of \$745.50 was involved in the payroll, which consisted of checks made out for various amounts ranging from \$37 to \$5. They were made out for the period ending April 6.

The check that was offered to the local merchant was for \$32.50. It had been endorsed by Hill, who gave the name signed to the paper. Another signed voucher was in his possession and is being held as evidence.

PAPER MILL WINS IN DAMAGE SUIT

Decision Involves Rights in Historic Power Affecting Salem's Future

The brief city news item appearing in Wednesday morning's Statesman to the effect that C. A. Martin had won his case against the Oregon Pulp & Paper company was an error, as no damage whatever was awarded and the case was a complete victory for the paper mill.

This case involved the question of seepage on Martin's farm from the water race of the paper company.

It is interesting in this connection to note that in the year 1856, the Territory of Oregon granted to the Willamette Woolen manufacturing company the right to divert water from the Santiam river through the channels of Mill creek for power purposes. J. A. Baker, who is one of the few surviving men of that early time, testified that in the following year, namely 1857, the Willamette Woolen Manufacturing company dug a waterway from the Santiam river to Mill creek, and started diverting water to the city of Salem for power purposes.

The power was divided at the Waller dam near Nineteenth street, thus creating what is commonly known as the "north power" and the "south power."

In those early days there were

More than 5000 Will be Distributed for Annual Tour This Sunday

"When the hillsides are white with blossoms, the Cherries are calling you," is the sentence underneath the picture on the postal card size invitations issued by the Chamber of Commerce for annual Blossom day Sunday. The cards will be ready today.

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SETBACK SEEN DUE TO ACTION OF MUSSOLINI

Italian Premier is Declared to be Most Autocratic Leader Since Days of Louis XV

ASSUMPTION OF CONTROL IN ALL CASES TRIUMPHS

Reaction Predicted to be Ultimate Cause of Downfall of Fascism

ROME, April 8.—(By the AP)—Benito Mussolini, the premier, today for the second time within a week showed, in the opinion of political observers, that he, more than any European statesman or ruler since Louis XIV of France, could say "I am the state."

Triumphs Many
But in both cases of his assumption of personal control of Italy's affairs, the premier's single-handed triumphs are considered to have marked a setback for fascism. On the heels of settlement of the military problem on Tuesday by taking over temporarily the portfolio of minister of war, Mussolini later in the evening and this morning adjusted the knotty stock exchange situation which seemed fraught with danger to the nation's financial life.

Downfall Predicted
Fascism's last minute renunciation of responsibility for the army reform plan of General Di Giorgio, who gave up the ministry of war after the senate, on request of Mussolini, postponed debate on it, paved the way for the premier's triumph in the military situation. His triumph in the bourse impasse was earned at the expense of drastic modifications—amounting almost to renunciation—of Finance Minister De Stefan's new regulation which had caused the deadlock between the government and the traders on the bourse.

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NOMINATION OF HINDENBERG IS NOT AFFIRMED

Luther-Stresemann Government Repudiates Responsibility of Nomination of Field Marshal

SENSATIONAL CHARGES MADE AGAINST LEADER

Democrats and Centrists Well Represented in German Cabinet

BERLIN, April 8.—(By Associated Press)—The Luther-Stresemann government emphatically rejects as an unwarranted imputation that it is directly responsible for the nomination of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg for the presidency. Officially it declines to discuss the projection of the field marshal into the presidential campaign on the ground that the election is primarily an affair which concerns the parties participating in it and also because the present cabinet's make-up includes members of the parties constituting the Weimar coalition, as well as the national bourgeoisie bloc.

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STUNT MAN DIES

NEW ORLEANS, April 8.—William Muzy, 27, of Pontiac, Mich., was killed tonight when the automobile in which he slightly looped the loop as the feature attraction at the Spanish Fort park, failed to make the proper connection with the landing platform.

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