

# Chinese Communist Groups Dissolved

## Discord Seen Behind Front

### Order Explains Patriotic Organizations Must Be Coordinated

HANKOW, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Discord behind the front of China's worker organizations deemed unwise resistance was brought into the open today by an order of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's chief of staff dissolving proletarian organizations inspired or sponsored by Chinese communists.

General Chen Cheng, as political and military boss of the Wuhan metropolitan area—Wuchang, Hankow and Hanyang—ordered dissolution of the national salvation corps, national emancipation vanguards and other student and worker committees.

"The order explained that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's chief of staff dissolving proletarian organizations inspired or sponsored by Chinese communists.

"He said the organizations now dissolved had refused to comply with moves to that end. Hankow's leftist press assailed the action, charging it violated the spirit of a peace agreement which ended a decade of struggle between the Kuomintang (nationalist party) and Chinese communists shortly before the war with Japan began.

This agreement paved the way for organization of the united front against Japan, the newspaper said.

"Chinese communist leaders, however, were believed unlikely to make a major issue of the difficulties of subsidiary or sympathetic groups in this area.

## Seafaring Youths End Lengthy Trip

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Aug. 23.—(AP)—With some of the original money they saved from home still clinging in their pockets, two youths whose 30-foot homemade ketch, the Njord, carried them 8,000 miles to the south sea and back dropped anchor in their home port this week.

The youths, John Edland and Clyde Johnson, left here more than a year ago. When they returned they still had some of their original stake. They came here from Aberdeen, Wash., where they struck land on a return jaunt from the Marquesas and Hawaiian islands.

## Avalanche Roars On South Sister

EUGENE, Aug. 23.—(AP)—An avalanche roared down the South Sister mountain peak late yesterday and turned the churning white water of the McKenzie river to a wild red.

Forest rangers said the great slide plunged tons of red lava into Separation creek. Separation creek emptied its strange burden into Horse creek and then on into the McKenzie. The discoloration reached the Leabury power plant and flowed into the Willamette late today.

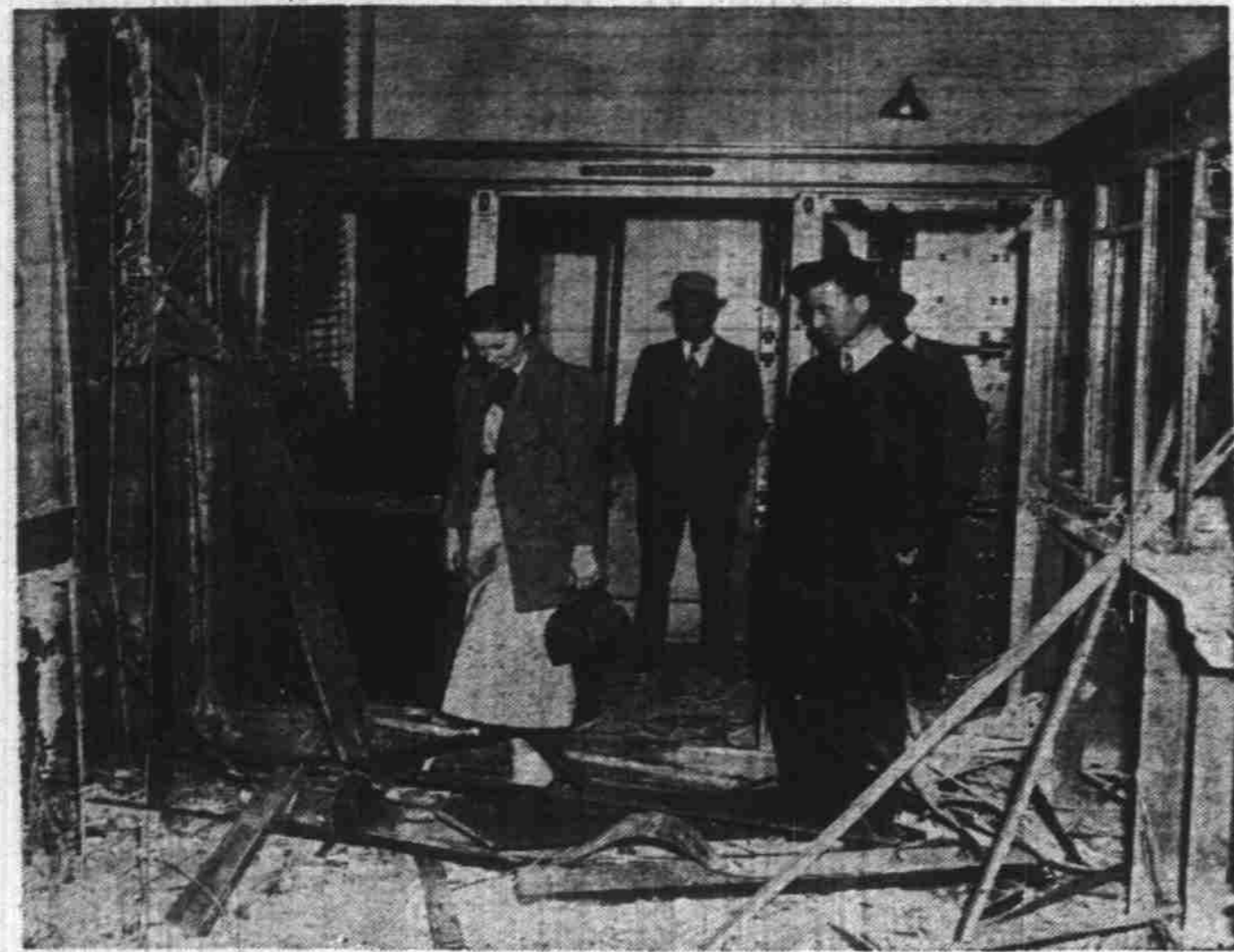
## Boy Intercedes In Quarrel, Shot By Irate Father

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Aug. 23.—(AP)—A 17-year-old boy, Fulton Vickers, who interceded for his mother in a family quarrel, was shot through the abdomen by his father, Deputy Sheriff Blake Mason reported today.

In jail on charges of assault with a deadly weapon is Elliott B. Vickers, 47, cafe operator.

Young Vickers, according to Mason, grabbed his father's arm as he heard him say "I'm going to blast you!" During the struggle the gun, a .32-caliber revolver, discharged and the youth slumped to the ground.

## Bank Interior Wrecked by Mystery Explosion



A mysterious powder blast of terrific force recently rocked the business district of Mountain View, Cal., and wrecked the interior of a bank. Police stated the blast apparently was caused by a keg of powder placed beside the copper-studded door of the bank. Some of the copper studdings were found many blocks away. Night Patrolman Claude L. Steach said he saw a man spring out from a side door of the bank and run down the street. A few minutes later the explosion occurred with a great detonation, shattering store windows and threw Steach up against a building. The man eluded the patrolman but some footprints were found near a railroad track. Local FBI agents took over the case. Photo shows the wrecked interior of the bank as Agnes Moquin, Herman Smith (center) and Robert Flesman inspect the wreckage.

## Shields Is Burned To Death in Home

### Charred Bones Reveal Man Trapped Alone Inside Flaming House

SILVERTON, Aug. 23.—A few charred bones were all that remained of Bert Shields, 50, Tuesday morning following the fire in which he was trapped and which destroyed the Shields home.

Just how the fire originated will never be known, but Will Graham, living across the creek from the Shields home, first saw the blaze and turned in the fire alarm. John and Servot Nortens, brother-in-laws of Mr. Shields, living in their home but a few yards from the Shields home were the first to arrive. They said that as the doors of the house were open they were of the opinion that the remains were discovered.

The alarm was turned in at 4:45, and it is generally believed that Mr. Shields had been smoking. From his position when he was found, indications were that he had tried to get out but was overcome by the smoke.

Shields had lived at Silvertown for about 20 years. His survivors include the widow, Elaine Nortens Shields, who had gone to the home of her brother to sleep, a sister, Josie Moffett of Portland, and three brothers, Ray of Silvertown; Earl of Portland, and Roy in California.

At the call of Silvertown's night officer, E. H. Wheeler, Coroner L. E. Barrick and Assistant District Attorney Joe Felton came over to investigate the case. They pronounced it accidental. The remains are in charge of the Ekman Funeral home.

## Mary Astor Hurt, Thrown off Horse

SANTA MONICA, Calif., Aug. 23.—(AP)—Thrown from her horse as it shied at an automobile, Mary Astor, screen actress, received undetermined back injuries today. She was removed to Santa Monica hospital where her physician, Dr.

## Session Reports Increase in CE

### Officers to Be Elected at Weekend; Noted Ministers Talk

Appointment of committees and receipt of reports featured Tuesday's sessions of the annual Christian Endeavor convention now in progress at Turner. All sessions are being held in the tabernacle there.

The reports showed that the membership has increased during the past year and that the organization is on a sound financial basis. Classes in religious instruction opened today and will continue until late Saturday.

Speakers at the convention include a number of outstanding Oregon ministers. Officers were to be elected Friday or Saturday. The resolutions committee was expected to report Thursday.

TURNER.—The Oregon State Christian Endeavor summer conference opened for its 19th session at the Turner tabernacle Monday night with 103 delegates registered.

Dr. Walter L. Myers presided at the evening meeting with Rev. Chester P. Gates giving the opening address. Rev. James Aikin Smith of Cottage Grove conducts Bible study each morning while Mrs. C. W. Stacey, Salem, has charge of narcotic education. The conference will close Sunday.

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## Jitterbugs Truck To 57 Jive Bands

CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—(AP)—More than 200,000 "jitterbugs" trucked tonight to get in the groove with 57 swing bands.

The "jitterbugs" who managed to resist the walls of the "licorice stick" boys, occupied all available seats, the infield was a mass of swaying, shouting dancers, and surrounding areas were cluttered.

Police Capt. John Prendergast and Barnet Hodas, city corporation counsel, estimated the attendance at between 215,000 and 225,000. The jamboree was sponsored by the city's new century committee.

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## Santiam Surface Will Be Applied

Oil-surfacing of the 17-mile section of the North Santiam highway immediately above Detroit will begin in about two weeks, County Engineer N. C. Hubbs was informed yesterday. The contractor, hired by the state, is now busy laying the base for the new surfacing.

Hubbs said the county's own oiling program was finished Monday, with 16 miles of newly surfaced roads as the result. In addition the state with federal funds has oiled three miles of the south river road.

The county bridge crew is now at work on bridges on the Elkhorn road.

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## Rebels Attack Central Front

### Insurgents Reported in Rapid Advance Onto Tagus Sector

HENDAYE, France (at the Spanish frontier), Aug. 23.—(AP)—Spanish insurgent armies shifted their main assault today from the deadlocked southern and eastern fronts to the Tagus river area on the central front, 90 miles southwest of Madrid.

Insurgent armies there were reported advancing rapidly in a drive which, after three days of steady attacks, took on the proportions of a broad offensive.

Move Began Sunday Since the movement began on Sunday, insurgents, said, their troops occupied the Talavera-Merida highway on the six-mile stretch between La Nava De Ricomallillo and Campillo, and pushed on eastward to Dominate several miles along the highway to Toledo, 50 miles to the northeast.

Transfer of insurgent reinforcements to this sector after a stalled offensive against Almaden, 60 miles to the south, indicated insurgents had abandoned, at least temporarily, their direct drive on the government's mercury mining area.

## Carlson Subbing As Administrator

Victor D. Carlson, state field administrator for the state relief committee, arrived here to pinch-hit for Glenn C. Niles as Marion county relief administrator and executive secretary to the county committee. Niles, who recently was taken to a Portland hospital for treatment of an injury, was reported progressing nicely yesterday but unlikely to be able to return to work soon.

Carlson is expected to be retained here until the county relief committee has named a successor to Niles, who recently submitted his resignation effective as of October 1. Applicants for the position here are being advised to apply to the state relief committee, whose staff will pass on their qualifications. The selection will then be made from among qualified applicants by the county committee.

## Suspend Cruelty Charge for Pair

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor of Banks, Ore., received an indefinite continuation of charges of cruelty to children from Municipal Judge Julius Cohn today. The complaint said they locked their two infant daughters in a truck cab while they went to a theatre late Saturday. The children's cries attracted police.

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## Wagner Act Change Requested by AFL

### Council Agrees to Seek Amendments From Next Congress Session

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 23.—(AP)—The American Federation of Labor's executive council agreed today to seek amendments by congress to the federal wage-hour law to curtail some of the broad discretionary powers now vested in a wage-hour law administrator.

"The wage-hour law as now written," President William Green of the federation told reporters, "leaves the impression the administrator has dictatorial powers. We will prepare and introduce in the next congress amendments designed to overcome its defects."

Highlight of Day The agreement to seek changes in the wage-hour act highlighted the day's session of the council, which included a review of reported "inconsistencies" in labor relations board decisions involving AF of L craft unions, and a discussion with John P. Frey, of his congressional committee testimony about alleged communist activities in the CIO.

In outlining the council's attitude toward amending the wage-hour act, Green said the federation's proposals were no criticism of the act's new administrator, Elmer F. Andrews.

## 14 Japanese Dead As Planes Collide

TOKYO, Aug. 24.—(Wednesday)—(AP)—Fourteen persons were killed and at least 150 were injured today when two airplanes collided over an iron foundry, which was set afire by exploding gasoline.

Ten of the dead were workmen, burned in the foundry. The crash was in Omori, suburban district. The three crew members of one of the ships, a transport plane, died in the crash. The pilot of the other craft, a training plane, jumped but his parachute did not open and he was killed. His plane fell in front of a geisha house, but none of the occupants was injured.

## Statement Made Of O & C Grants

County Clerk U. G. Boyer yesterday prepared to transmit to the interior department at Washington a statement from Assessor R. "Ted" Shelton showing valuation of Oregon & California grant lands reversion in Marion county in 1915 as \$407,720. The county court yesterday received a request for this information, to be used in setting up the new administration of the grant lands under an act of the last congress.

The act allots to counties 50 per cent of all proceeds from grant lands and varying proportions of the remainder according to the cost of administration.

## Suit to Halt Recall Of LA Mayor Started

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## Boosts Sprague



KERN CRANDALL

## Crandall Certain Sprague Will Win

MARSHFIELD, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Kern Crandall, state republican chairman, described Charles Sprague, republican nominee, "a certainty" to defeat Henry Head, democratic candidate, for governor at the general elections in November.

He visited the Coos Bay area yesterday for the first time since his appointment as party leader.

"The republican party campaign in Oregon this fall will be a house-to-house campaign with hundreds of party workers taking off their coats and digging in," he said.

He said one of the most difficult contests would be between Homer W. Angell, republican, and Representative Nan Wood Honeyman, democrat, for congressman in the third district.

## Work Applications Are Dropping Off

New applications for jobs listed by the Oregon employment service thus far in August are running 15 per cent less than at the end of July, the state unemployment commission reported here Tuesday.

During the week ending August 13, new applications totaled 1305 with 1018 renewals. At the close of July, new applications ran 1510 per week and renewals 1530. The active file of job applicants now stands at 95,513.

Filing of original claims for jobless insurance showed a similar drop, from 962 to 578, officials said.

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## Board Prevented Discharging Four

### Restraining Order Saves Jobs of Teachers Who Would Be Retired

A restraining order issued by the state supreme court will prevent the Salem school board from discharging its four faculty members who are subject to the state retirement act, District Attorney Lyle J. Page announced yesterday afternoon. He so advised School Director Percy A. Cupper.

The local board had stipulated by Edward A. Miller, Grant school principal who filed suit last winter attacking validity of the retirement law, that the case here should lie dormant until final determination of the matter was had through three similar actions filed in Multnomah county. Page filed this stipulation in circuit court yesterday.

Not expecting a restraining order to be issued, Page had recently announced he would advise the Salem board to replace the one teacher and three principals whose ages put them in the retirement classification.

The Portland cases are on appeal to the US supreme court.

## Capra's Son Dies

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 23.—(AP)—John Capra, 3-year-old son of Frank Capra, motion picture director, died in a hospital here today while undergoing an operation for removal of his tonsils.

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## US Officials on Alaskan Tour of Inspection



Met at the Seattle airport by J. D. Ross (right) Bonnerville administrator, R. J. Monroe Johnson, assistant secretary of commerce (left) and Louis Johnson (center) assistant secretary of war recently sojourned in Seattle a while before taking a tour of inspection of Alaska. The two Johnsons will fly to Alaska in an amphibian plane, duplicate of the Pan-American Baby Clipper, to look over army defenses of the northern territory and to inquire into the possibilities of civil aviation. Both officials will study the proposed route of the Alaskan highway which will run from Hazelton, B. C., to Fairbanks, Alaska. The estimated cost of the highway is \$10,000,000.—(U.S.)