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Violence Breaks out, Harlan Coal Dispute

Danzig Dispute To Be Settled In Peace, View

Not Worth War, Believed Nazi Opinion; Likely to Compromise

But Berlin Press Attack on Poland Continues; Reply Due Friday

(By The Associated Press)

The free city of Danzig, coveted by Germany, kept the center of the European stage today. The impression grew in London that the dispute over the city between Germany and Poland would be settled peacefully, but the controlled press in both Germany and Italy continued bitter attacks against Poland, Great Britain and France.

London diplomats, both British and foreign, felt Germany is unwilling to risk a major war for Danzig, a Baltic port taken from Germany after the World war and made a free city under protection of the League of Nations. It lies at the head of the Polish corridor, is within Poland's customs administration and is a sea outlet for much Polish trade.

Poland held steady for compromise. In London it was believed Poland is prepared to agree to joint Polish-German control of Danzig and to make other concessions which would not threaten Polish independence or the free outlet to the sea.

It was felt also that Germany is coming around to the belief Britain and France are not likely to support Poland and that Germany would have to face a war on two fronts if war comes at all.

Nevertheless, in Berlin, diplomatic quarters saw in press attacks on Britain and France a new attempt to bring pressure on Poland.

The German press accused both countries of encouraging Poland to resist Germany's "suggestions" for German control of Danzig, and it charged the Polish press with printing "thick lies" about Danzig.

German officials said they would propose nothing more to the Poles. Now, it was said, Poland must come to Germany "with its hands" and German terms will grow less "liberal" in proportion to Polish "resistance" to them.

Similar charges in Italian Press. The Italian press said Poland was uncompromising in connection with Danzig, hurling charges similar to those made by the fascist press in a recent Czechoslovakia prior to the September crisis of last year.

Diplomats in Rome placed special importance on the press outburst because heretofore newspapers have stressed Polish-Italian friendship.

In Warsaw, Foreign Minister Jozef Beck said he is preparing to reject flatly German demands for outright annexation of Danzig and for an extra-territorial route across the corridor.

Beck will announce Poland's stand in his annual message to parliament on Friday.

The British government was reported to be preparing to expel more than 50 German Nazis from England as a result of an intensive investigation into their activities in England.

WPA Costs High, Probers Are Told

WASHINGTON, May 2—(AP)—Testimony that WPA construction costs in the New York city area are far greater than those for projects built under private contract was added today to the record of the house relief investigation.

Albert W. Stephens, construction engineer of the treasury department's procurement division, testified a school building erected by WPA cost \$732,000, while an "almost identical" structure, built privately, cost \$441,000. Labor costs, he said, were \$446,695 for WPA, \$176,000 for the private contractor.

Sterling Asserts War Is Distant, So Is Recovery

PORTLAND, Ore., May 2—(AP)—Donald J. Sterling, managing editor of the Oregon Journal and new president of the American society of editors, separated three main views after listening to a welter of words from the great and near great at Washington.

First, the odds are against European war "at the moment."

Second, marked business recovery is not in the immediate present.

Panda Tussles Plane's Pilots Necessitating Forced Landing



Bimbo, playful 70-pound giant Panda cub, which recently wandered from the baggage compartment in a New York bound plane and gave three pilots such a tussle they were forced to land at Pittsburgh, Pa. Bimbo, newly arrived from the China-Tibet border region, landed in San Francisco aboard the SS President Coolidge and was transferred to a waiting plane heading for New York and perhaps romance for two lonely pandas. The New York zoo has a female panda. Keepers said a piece of fresh bamboo would have pleased the playful animal, but then no one in the airliner had a piece of bamboo.—HEN photo.

Contract Is Let For Island Well

Contract for drilling a shallow well on Stayton island, in accordance with a decision reached at the last regular meeting, was let by the Salem water commission at a special meeting Tuesday night to the R. J. Strasser Drilling company of Portland.

The contract calls for a payment of \$18.50 per lineal foot, drilled and cased with a 16-inch steel casing, for any depth to 60 feet, and \$12.50 per foot to a maximum of 120 feet. It is expected that the well will be less than 60 feet deep.

The commission also authorized appointment of a committee (Turn to page 2, column 1)

Paper Mill Union Agreement Holds For Another Year

PORT ANGELES, Wash., May 2—(AP)—John Sherman, international vice-president of the brotherhood of pulp, sulphite and papermill workers, said tonight a labor agreement affecting 34 plants in Washington, Oregon and California had been extended another year.

He said the agreement, signed in 1937, was automatically extended when neither operators nor unions requested its reopening before the deadline—midnight Tuesday. The agreement also was unchanged last year. Sherman reported 12,000 to 13,000 members of his union and the international brotherhood of papermakers, both AFL-affiliated, work under the agreement.

The agreement automatically extended Tuesday affects union employees at the Oregon Pulp & Paper company here.

Army Flier Killed

SAN JOSE, Calif., May 2—(AP)—Lieut. Frederick Wall, 27, of Los Angeles, was killed today when an airplane of which he was the sole occupant crashed into a hill southeast of San Jose.

Protecting American Trade Abroad by Force Advocated

WASHINGTON, May 2—(AP)—Spokesmen for American business interests abroad declared tonight the United States should protect a \$1,000,000,000-a-year market in China and the Philippines at the risk of war with Japan, if necessary, and this government should meet European competition in South America with gold and "productive" loans.

The appeals for government leadership in organizing and financing an export unit to deal with China, and for a redistribution of this country's huge hoard of monetary gold, were voiced at a dinner meeting of representatives of American chambers of commerce abroad.

Another section of the annual meeting of the chamber of commerce of the United States concentrated today on a prime domestic issue, tax revision, regarding which the chamber is certain to urge immediate congressional action in a resolution later this week.

This section heard Matthew Woll, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, and Dr. Harold J. Monkton, president of the Brookings Institution, a private research organization, advocate thorough revision of the federal tax structure to encourage private investment.

Congress May Stay to Guard US From War

Nothing Else Is Able to Do It Says Johnson; Fears Fatal Step

Dictatorship Here Held Inevitable Outcome of Participation

WASHINGTON, May 2—(AP)—A demand that congress stay in session to guard the nation from being "cashed" or "driven" into war was made in the senate today in reply to a move for June adjournment.

It came from Senator Johnson (R., Calif.), a veteran exponent of American isolation and a critic of administration foreign policy.

"It is in the congress, with all its faults and shortcomings, and the senate with all its sins of omission and commission, that will keep us out of war, and no other person or individual, no matter who he may be, will do it," the Californian said in a tense and solemn tone.

"We must be on guard every minute of the day and every minute of the night in order that we do not participate in a war in which we are not concerned—in order that we not be cased or driven into it.

"For the people of the United States," he concluded, as galleries burst into a lively applause, "let's keep out of war."

Senator Connally (D., Tex.) emphasized Johnson's appeal with a statement, as soon as the ovation subsided, that he foresaw no immediate prospect of war in Europe, but:

"There may be a war, and the United States has no business in that war. Nobody but the congress of the United States can determine whether we will be in that war or not."

"The consequences of a war to this country are such that I tremble to think of them," Johnson shouted. "If we once embark upon this mad adventure this great government of ours will be gone, gone, gone."

If, he said, the United States should go to war to defend "these two dictators," referring to Hitler and Mussolini, the result will be a dictatorship for America itself.

Johnson's demand was evoked by a proposal from Senator Bankhead, that, regardless of the status (Turn to page 2, column 5)

Greyhound Strike Vote Count Is On

SAN FRANCISCO, May 2—(AP)—Officials of the brotherhood of railway trainmen said tonight several days would be required to conclude counting of a strike vote among drivers of the Pacific Greyhound lines from as far south as El Paso, Texas, north to Portland, Ore., and east to Salt Lake City.

The union has demanded recognition as collective bargaining agent for the bus drivers under a national labor board ruling last month.

The company refused this recognition, claiming it had made a prior contract with the AFL amalgamated association of street, electric railway and motor coach employees. The company said legal counsel had informed it the NLRB order in favor of the independent union was "erroneous and invalid."

May's WPA Rolls Cut 1730 in State

WASHINGTON, May 2—(AP)—A decrease of 1730 in WPA rolls in Oregon this month as compared to April has been ordered by relief officials.

In setting a national enrollment of 2,600,000, or 209,000 under April, the WPA fixed a figure of 15,350 for Oregon against 17,086 in April.

The national enrollment was estimated by WPA to be 160,000 less than it would have been for May if congress had appropriated the \$100 million asked by President Roosevelt, \$875,000,000. The appropriation was for \$235,000,000.

Portland Traffic Deaths Fall Off

PORTLAND, May 2—(AP)—Traffic deaths dropped in April in Portland but the total for the year remained above that of the first four months of 1938, Captain William C. Epps, head of the police traffic bureau, said.

Weds Millions, Dies Penniless

Mrs. Maryon Cooper Hewitt, 55, who died penniless and alone in a one-room New York apartment though out of her five marriages, four of her husbands had been millionaires. Upper picture was taken several years ago. Lower one recently. She was the mother of Ann Cooper Hewitt, whose suit involving her sterilization was prominent in the news a few years ago.—HEN photos.

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COMPANIONS OF DESERTERS Allegedly Involved in Holdup Face Court

PORTLAND, Ore., May 2—(AP)—A quest of marriage and adventure led today to the state industrial school at Salem for three 17-year-old San Francisco high school girls who would have had diplomas next month.

The girls were arrested at a court committed Judge Donald E. Long accompanying three alleged San Francisco army presidio deserters on a three-state flight, until they were 21 unless they were paroled or transferred to a California institution. He said he would recommend the transfer if their conduct was satisfactory.

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The girls were arrested at Boise, Idaho, with Edward Klaus, 21, Vern Jensen, 20, and Donald Bailey, 27, who pleaded innocent to assault and robbery charges when they were returned to Portland. The men were accused of committing the robbery, gun fights with officers and holding five persons captive while they "partied" at a home here. Bailey was wounded in the shoulder.

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At Least 16 Dead In Japan's Quake

TOKYO, May 2—(AP)—A police survey disclosed today 1,500 dwellings were destroyed or damaged and at least 16 persons were killed by earthquakes and ensuing fire and floods in villages 300 miles north of Tokyo Monday.

The number of missing persons remained undetermined. The entire population of Akita Prefecture huddled together in open spaces as recurrent shocks brought new landslides and toppled weakened walls. Troops patrolled the streets of the damaged villages. Nearly 100 doctors and nurses were sent to attend the injured, believed to number several hundred.

A report described the Oga peninsula as in a "state of complete devastation."

Seismologists said the quake was the strongest in northern Japan in 25 years.

Smith Criticized By Labor Counsel

WASHINGTON, May 2—(AP)—Joseph A. Padway, counsel for the American Federation of Labor, charged today Edwin S. Smith, a member of the national labor relations board, "is definitely a proponent of the CIO industrial unions."

Padway testified before the senate labor committee in support of amendments to the Wagner act proposed by the AFL.

"We charge unequivocally and without reservation that Board Member Edwin Smith is definitely a proponent of the CIO industrial unions, and has endeavored to utilize the power of the board to recruit membership for the CIO."

"He has fostered decrees which will give to the CIO advantage over the American Federation of Labor."

Albany Woman Escapes As SP Train Hits Car

ALBANY, Ore., May 2—(AP)—Mrs. C. C. Curry of Albany escaped with minor injuries tonight when a Southern Pacific train struck the rear of her car at a grade crossing, near here.

Late Sports

DALLAS—The Dragons evened their series, 1-1, with the Salem high Vikings in a seven-inning encounter under the lights here Friday night, winning 3 to 1.

Coach Adams' team scored in every inning but the third and fifth, while Pitch Hitter Evans' fifth-frame double, scoring Panther, brought Salem's only tally. Hoss hit four-for-four for Dallas and Barnick three-for-three for Salem.

'Double Cross' In Poison Ring Is new Charge

Wives of Victims Claim They Were Advised to Take Some Potion

Eliminating Witnesses Is Apparent Purpose; 13 now in Custody

PHILADELPHIA, May 2—(AP)—The Record said it had learned tonight from authorities investigating a murder-for-insurance plot that the ring-leaders tried to murder women whose husbands were poisoned to collect their life insurance.

Two of five women now under arrest in the deaths of their husbands, the Record said, have admitted (Turn to page 2, column 5)

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Portland's Mayor Leads Vice Fight

PORTLAND, May 2—(AP)—The ministers and the grand jury put Mayor Joseph K. Carson in the driver's seat today in Portland's anti-vice campaign.

The Ministerial association endorsed the jury's recommendation to reform control measures and keep vice within the "pale of decency."

A letter drafted by Bishop Benjamin D. Dagwell of the Episcopal church asked the mayor to follow the jury's advice by naming a citizens committee, which would have access to police information, to assist in regulating prostitution and gambling. The committee, the letter continued, would aid the city in providing a clean administration.

Frank Walsh, Mooney's Legal Aide, Is Called

NEW YORK, May 2—(AP)—Frank P. Walsh, 74, noted labor lawyer who fought for many years for the release of Tom Mooney, collapsed in the street outside the supreme court building in Foley square today and died of a heart attack.

Walsh has been chairman of the New York state power authority for the last eight years.

Negroes Flock to the Polls Despite Ku Klux's Warning

MIAMI, Fla., May 2—(AP)—Negroes, ignoring warnings issued during a spectacular demonstration by paraders in Ku Klux Klan regalia, cast a record vote today in a city primary election.

City Clerk Frank J. Kelly said negroes voted at a 5-to-1 greater ratio than ever before at one large precinct where separate poll books and balloting machines were installed to avert possible disorders. Kelly said more than 500 negro votes were cast at that precinct alone and estimated the previous record for a city election as "scarcely more than 150."

Police Chief H. Leslie Quigg, who answered the negro citizens' service league through Kelly yesterday that there would be no disorder, dispersed a rapidly-growing

Eight Mines Slate Reopening; Police Converge on Scene

Governor "Officially" Refuses More Protection; 2 Officers Reported Beaten by 'Flying Squadron'

45 Mines in Washington Due to Close Tonight in Sympathetic Strike but Eastern Owners Make new Offer

HARLAN, Ky., May 2—(AP)—Despite the statement of Gov. A. B. Chandler that he had declined to send additional state highway officers here to patrol eight coal mines expected to resume work tomorrow or Thursday, 25 men were en route here tonight.

Major W. E. Hansen, of Lexington, director of the highway patrol, said he had been instructed "on high authority" to have the men here by daybreak. Three more arrived early tonight to augment the 12 already on duty.

Capt. Carl Norman, in charge of the detail in the Harlan coal fields, said he had received several requests for patrol service at the mines of the eight coal companies, planning to reopen despite the deadlock between united mine workers and Appalachian operators in New York.

Earlier there came reports from nearby Whitley county that a "flying squadron" of trucks and automobiles packed with men came in from Tennessee, beat up two sheriff's deputies and a bystander and moved back across the state line.

The report of the Whitley county disorder came from Deputy Sheriff Connie Slaton at Williamsburg, Ky., who said all vehicles bore Tennessee license plates and he recognized some of the men as miners.

Doesn't Desire to "Anticipate Trouble" Governor Chandler, at Frankfort, in denying the request of Kentucky Industrial Relations Commissioner W. C. Burrow for state patrolmen, said he did not wish to "anticipate trouble."

The governor said he told Burrow to "make every possible effort to keep things peaceful."

Burrow said he requested the patrolmen when informed some operators planned to reopen mines regardless of the status of negotiations in New York between the Appalachian coal operators and officials of the United Mine Workers of America. The union miners have been idle since April 1, when the old wage-hour contract expired.

SEATTLE, May 2—(AP)—Washington state's 2,600 coal miners will walk out tomorrow at midnight in sympathy with Appalachian soft coal miners unless a wage agreement is reached before that time, an official announced tonight.

Sam Nichols, district president of the United Mine Workers, said such a walkout would close down 45 mines in the state.

NEW YORK, May 2—(AP)—Exclusive bargaining rights to the United Mine Workers of America and a checkoff system to collect dues from both union and non-union employees—designed to protect the union against inroads from other labor organizations—were offered today by soft coal operators in a new effort to draft a wage and hour contract for the industry.

Facing the possibility some southern operators might refuse to sign contracts, the four operators representing the Appalachian soft coal industry which has been idle since April 1 offered the new proposals to John L. Lewis and other representatives of the union at a joint conference.

The mine workers who had marked time since the middle of last week while the operators worked out the proposition and attempted to obtain full support of their conferees, asked an adjournment until 1 p. m. tomorrow to give them time to consult counsel on the legal phases.

Lumber Removed, Loading Resumed On Liner Vermar

PORTLAND, Ore., May 2—(AP)—The removal of protested lumber from a dock released the picket-bound Calmar line freighter Vermar today, reducing to one the number of vessels tied up in the Portland harbor by labor controversies.

CIO longshoremen worked the Vermar for the first time in five days when the CIO International Woodworkers of America withdrew pickets after a dozen carloads of lumber from the Engle & Worth sawmill at Carlton were wheeled away.

The freighter William A. Luckenbach was idle for the second day behind a picket line established by the CIO Maritime Employers' union. The union charged the company had not abided by a national labor relations board order to reinstate three workers with back pay amounting to \$7,500.

Charges Banded, Theatre Dispute

PORTLAND, Ore., May 2—(AP)—Union charges of an interior wage scale brought a statement today from the Circle theatre that it said it has high wages as any house charging comparable admission prices.

The dispute assumed unusual interest because of court action brought by a motion picture operators' union seeking the right to picket the theatre. Under the state union-control law only a majority of employees in a company are allowed to establish a picket line, and operators are in a minority at the theatre.