

Embargo Plan At Mercy of Senate Monday

Long-Awaited Chance at Debate Offered to Friend and Foe

Altered Bill Leaps Its First Barrier With Committee Okeh

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—(AP)—The administration's neutrality legislation passed the previously insurmountable barrier of the senate foreign relations committee today and reached the long-awaited stage at which it was ready for a momentous debate in the senate itself.

In a quiet three-hour session the committee decided, 16 to 7, to report the measure to the senate. This action contrasted with the 12 to 11 vote by which the group pigeonholed similar legislation in July over the vehement protest of President Roosevelt and Secretary Hull.

But, before it acted today, the group approved amendments to strengthen the bill's restrictions on credits to belligerent nations and to ease its effect upon airplane and steamship lines plying between the United States and South and Central America.

There was no extended fight in the committee on the most controversial issue involved in the bill—repeal of the present embargo on the shipment of arms to the nations at war. Opponents of repeal said they preferred to make their case in the senate itself, so that all might hear or read, rather than tie the measure up further in committee.

Vandenberg Gains His Resolution

1. Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich) readily obtained approval of a resolution calling upon the attorney general to tell the senate what emergency powers rest in the president under his recent proclamation of a state of emergency.

2. Senator Clark (D-Mo), like Vandenberg a foe of repeal, introduced a resolution to establish a special seven-member senate committee to investigate the activities of any persons, corporations, or firms acting on behalf of a foreign government with the intent "to cause directly or indirectly, a change in the neutral position of the United States." At Vandenberg's suggestion and with Clark's acquiescence, the resolution was referred to the foreign relations committee.

While all was quiet within the committee room, that was not the case outside its door. A swarm of newsmen and photographers attracted many slighters and tourists, and all milled about awaiting the end of the meeting.

Three of Family Die on Crossing

BOZEMAN, Mont., Sept. 28.—(AP)—A mother and two sons were killed and her other son was critically injured today when their automobile was struck by a helper locomotive at a farm crossing over the Northern Pacific railroad tracks four miles east of Bozeman.

Mrs. A. L. Payne, about 50, and Charles Payne, 15, died soon after the accident. Later Russell Payne, 17, succumbed to his injuries. Kenneth Payne, 4, was in a Bozeman hospital with injuries which physicians said were critical.

The Paynes lived near Bozeman. A witness said the Payne car was driven into the path of a locomotive which was backing down the track after helping an eastbound passenger train over Bozeman pass.

Runaway Load of Rails Hurtles to Kill Road Worker

CAMAS, Wash., Sept. 28.—(AP)—Joe Johnson, 35, flagman for a road repair crew, was killed yesterday by a runaway trailer loaded with nine tons of steel rail.

New Commander For US Legion

RAYMOND J. KELLY

Kelly Pledges Anti-War Term

Detroit Attorney Given Legion Leadership in Crucial Hour

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Raymond J. Kelly, 44-year-old Detroit attorney, was elected national commander of the American Legion today and pledged himself to do everything possible to keep the nation cut of war.

A lieutenant of artillery in the world war, Kelly was unanimously acclaimed in the closing session of the Legion's 21st annual convention.

So obvious was the sentiment for Kelly among the delegates that the names of but two others of the six expected candidates were placed before the convention. Milo Warner, Toledo, Ohio, and Lynn Stambaugh, Fargo, N. D., withdrew in behalf of the favorite.

Even before a successor to Stephen F. Chadwick of Seattle had been officially announced, enthusiastic Legionnaires rushed upon the stage.

Amidst wild cheering and arm-waving, Kelly stood with Chadwick in fraternal pose. The new commander responded:

"The voices of more than 1,000,000 American world war veterans are united in a common chorus that America must maintain a real neutrality.

"The American Legion says that our country must stay out of armed conflict overseas. It believes the neutrality policy of our country should be a highly realistic one. It believes that the attempt to cloak our neutrality with a biased belligerency will surely draw us into the conflict.

"It believes that only through sane thinking by our individual citizenry, the absence of hysteria and the deliberate consideration of the problems of maintaining the peace can we feel reasonably certain that war involvement will not be our lot."

Governor Swats Two-Way Lawyer

Can't Hold Public Office, Favor Private Clients, Bar Group Told

GEARHART, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Condemning lawyers who use "political pull" in selling their services, Governor Charles A. Sprague told the state bar here today that it is reprehensible to attempt to serve private clients while holding a public office where public and private interests clash.

The governor, addressing the fifth annual three-day bar meeting which opened here today, said some attorneys represent themselves as able to obtain special favors for clients.

Russia Joins Nazi Peace Bid, Signs Treaty on Polish Loot

Public Power Backers Hope Major Win Today In Multnomah Hearing

Public Utility District Petitioned by 8000 Gets Chance on Ballot if Approved; Exponents Doing Better in State Recently

By RALPH C. CURTIS

Public power advocates will move up to the enemy's Siegfried line today in an effort to force a major, decisive battle; the battle of Multnomah county. A hearing based upon petitions carrying 8000 names will be held upon the proposition of creating a PUD in Multnomah and if the hydroelectric commission approves, an election will be called.

Waterfront Signs Working Contract

Tie-up of Western Ports Averted as Parties Brought Together

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 28.—(AP)—An agreement extending the present waterfront contract indefinitely, and precluding any possibility of a tie-up of west coast ports without at least 60 days notice, was reached here today between waterfront employers and CIO longshoremen.

The current contract was due to expire at midnight Saturday, September 30.

Under terms of the new temporary arrangement, the present contract will remain effective with a provision against work stoppages until, or unless either side gives 60 days notice of termination. If the dispute remains unsettled, work then would cease at the end of 60 days.

A further provision added 21 days to the 60-day limit if at any time during a 60-day notice period a vote on the acceptance or rejection of a new contract was started. This would give scattered locals of the longshore union time to record their votes.

The Waterfront Employers association announced the new pact at noon today, two hours after Secretary of Labor Perkins had telegraphed the negotiators asking a 60 or a 90-day extension because it was "imperative that a natural flow of water-borne commerce of the Pacific coast should continue uninterrupted."

While negotiations for a new contract continue, with the US maritime board as mediator, working conditions as of Sept. 15 are to prevail, according to the agreement.

Pacific coast ports from the Mexican border to Puget Sound are affected by the arrangement.

New Government Ruling Rumania

BUCHAREST, Sept. 28.—(AP)—A new Rumanian government was sworn in tonight in Hitler Carol's palace, but his justice department was preparing to proceed against certain "conspicuous foreign agents who have made a nuisance of themselves."

He declined to name the agents, or to say what action was contemplated, but did say that it would be taken at the "appropriate time."

His remarks were made at a press conference. When one of the reporters asked: "Do you mean the German-American fund?" the attorney general replied "I cannot say."

French Strike Into Germany By Land, Air

Moselle Push Success While Aerial Arm Reports Activity

PARIS, Sept. 28.—(AP)—The French general staff tonight reported the successful attack near the Moselle against German forces as advances reaching Paris told of raids by squadrons of French planes, including American-made Curtiss fighters, deep into German territory.

A general staff communique said an undisclosed number of prisoners were taken in the attack which latched into the German held area along the eastern bank of the Moselle river, near the French and Luxembourg borders at the extreme northern end of the western front.

An earlier communique merely said there was "activity of our scouting aviation" during last night. Military circles reported however, French bombing planes were carrying out missions of "capital importance" every night against German military objectives.

Scout Planes Fly Deep In

At the same time scouting planes were said to be following railroads and rivers hundreds of miles into Germany, searching out information on the movement of Nazi troops from Poland to the western front.

AFL's Convention To Hit Profiteer

Also May Support Repeal of Embargo, Green Says in Advance

CINCINNATI, Sept. 28.—(AP)—President William Green of the American Federation of Labor voiced the opinion tonight that the AFL convention next week would call for "drastic" laws against war profiteering and support repeal of the arms embargo if it found it would not draw this nation into war.

Neutrality and profiteering, he said, were among the major issues up for convention action, and added that much consideration probably would be given the question of labor representation on emergency government agencies.

He declared also that whatever the convention does with the so far futile AFL-CIO peace negotiations will have a far-reaching effect on the AFL's future administrative and organizational policies.

Two Oregonians Highway Victims

PORTLAND, Sept. 28.—(AP)—The plunge of his automobile from the Columbia river high way near Horse Tail Falls killed R. M. Saling, 30, Hood River butcher, today.

Saling apparently fell asleep at the wheel, Capt. Pete Rexford of the sheriff's office said. Surviving are Saling's widow, Anna, a three-year-old son, a brother, H. M. Saling, his partner in a butcher shop, and two sisters at Fresno, Calif.

Late Sports

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Sept. 28.—(AP)—Night game: Los Angeles . . . 2 7 3 Sacramento . . . 1 5 0 Thomas and R. Collins; Soto and Grilk. (10 innings).

Estonia Hands Soviet Naval, Air Base Rights

Slavs Tighten Grip in Baltic By Late Pact

BERLIN, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Germany concentrated attention tonight on her air challenge to British sea power and her campaign to checkmate British diplomacy.

Adolf Hitler in a visit to the Wilhelmshaven naval base gave his personal attention to the submarine and air forces which Germany asserts have been successful in damaging the powerful British fleet.

The diplomatic offensive against Britain was being carried out by Foreign Minister Joachim Von Ribbentrop in Moscow under conditions which his under-studies at the Berlin foreign office said were highly favorable.

Informed quarters intimated Von Ribbentrop would come home with an accord not only freezing England out of eastern Europe but affecting English interests in far-flung quarters of the world.

The supreme army command, announcing for the second day a success for its air force, said a "heavy British cruiser was successfully attacked off the Isle of May" at the mouth of the Firth of Forth.

(A British admiralty spokesman termed the German claim "all poppycock.")

Navy Parries Reich Bombers

Raiders Beaten off by British Guard; 15 Die in Blast

LONDON, Sept. 29.—(Friday)—German bombers flew over the North sea yesterday for the third day in succession in bold thrusts at the British navy in an intensification of air-navy warfare.

The British Press association said the raiders were beaten back each time, however, without damaging a ship of the navy.

The association said "a squadron of German bombers tried to reach the Scottish coast yesterday, but the attempt was defeated."

The death of 15 persons and injury of four others in a munitions plant explosion this afternoon in the north of Britain were announced officially tonight.

Probe Into County Offices Springs to Life in October

The Marion county grand jury's investigation of how county business has been conducted is not dead, though it has been dormant for several weeks, Mark V. Weatherford, special prosecutor, declared at Albany yesterday.

Weatherford said he could not estimate the length of time required to complete the investigation.

The inquiry grew out of charges to the grand jury, made by Circuit Judge L. H. McMahan, to delve into the activities of the county court to ascertain if any laws had been violated. He mentioned specifically a shortage in the treasurer's office, which resulted in joint indictment of Treasurer D. G. Drager and his former deputy, W. Y. Richardson, and suggested the jury ascertain if the county court had required audits to be made according to law.

Waiting for two months with a pending criminal investigation matters, District Attorney Lyle J. Page has decided to call in the grand jury for the week of October 9, he indicated yesterday. He deferred presentation of his accumulated cases to the grand jury earlier to give it an opportunity to concentrate on the McMahan probe.

The present grand jury was drawn early in July. Judge McMahan is expected to enter an order within the next few days continuing it into the October term.

Extended War Is Pointless, Nations' Stand

"Necessary Measures" to Be Consulted Upon if Deal Fails

BERLIN, Sept. 29.—(Friday)—Germany and Soviet Russia have agreed to cooperate in an attempt to bring Great Britain and France to peace with Germany, DNB, official German news agency, reported today in a dispatch from Moscow.

The report was couched with an announcement by DNB that Germany and Russia had "definitely solved questions resulting from the disintegration of the Polish state."

As part of the agreement between Germany and Soviet Russia, the agency reported: "The nations of the world have been informed of the agreement."

"They unanimously voice their opinion that it would be in the interest of all nations to bring to an end the state of war presently existing between Germany on one side and England and France on the other."

"Both governments therefore will concentrate their efforts, if necessary in cooperation with other friendly powers, toward reaching this goal."

"However, the efforts of both governments remain unsuccessful, the fact would thereby be established that England and France would be responsible for continuation of the war, in which case the governments of Germany and the USSR will consult each other as to necessary measures."

Morse Ends Work As Dock Arbiter

EUGENE, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Dean Wayne L. Morse, University of Oregon law school head, closed his term as Pacific coast maritime arbiter today with a decision requiring longshoremen to load pears on the motorship California in San Francisco harbor.

Confirming a previous oral decision, Morse asserted the union had no contractual right to refuse to load the pears, despite a "hot cargo" label applied by a union involved in a dispute with a warehouse company.

Morse commended both the longshore unions and employers for "their sincere endeavors to exhaust all peaceful methods of settling differences before resorting to economic force," and said he hoped both sides would recognize any move to discard arbitration as a "backward step."

Fleeting Trio Run Into Police Arms

ROSEBURG, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Three transient youths wrecked a stolen automobile and then walked straight into a state police trap near Southfork today. Sergeant Paul Morgan said.

The youths, Robert Donald Wickersham, Jordan, Mont., Edwin Eugene Roberts, Bogalusa, La., and Quinn Christman, Fairburn, Ga., each about 16, admitted theft of the car at Portland, Morgan added.

U of W Professor Dies

SEATTLE, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Dr. E. Victor Smith, University of Washington professor of physiology and faculty member for 25 years, died tonight after a short illness. He was 72.