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EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR

In One Ear..

—Paul Hauser's Column

These are times that try men's souls, especially around the Statesman printery, where such a hustle and bustle is going on as has never been seen since King Henry of Bohemia (he who rode the white steed) decreed that there should be a twice-weekly washing of dirty linens.

The printers, feeling progress inching its way into the infinite, Paul C. Hauser, Jr., have been moving things around. It is now well to stay out of the Statesman composing room unless accompanied by (1) a native guide versed in the printer's dialect, (2) an up-to-date war map of the area which may be obtained free from any gasoline station, (3) dehydrated rations sufficient to feed two men for six days.

We remember well an experience we had the other day when we ventured into this terra incognita without a guide. We were in search of a stray proof, but as we pressed further and further into the wild and rugged region and noted the great abundance of noise we forgot our original mission.

As we fought our way through the chases, which grow thickly in these parts, we could hear the dull boom, boom, boom of the Monotypes, a rare beast which frequents the territory. Shooting was good and we had flushed and bagged six carpenters, two electricians and a gallery boy, which we threw back because he was underweight and not very good eating anyway.

We were pressing our way around the precipitous sides of a type case when suddenly we noticed before us a chocolate bar wrapper we had discarded hours before. It was then we knew we had been retracing our steps in a circle!

We were stymied, stymie light to our left and stymie bold condensed to our right. We settled down, with nothing to eat but a little Cheltenham and a link of Bodoni, prepared to die there among the type cases, when suddenly a miraculous thing happened.

A young man, wearing his hat at an odd angle and smoking a cigarette at an odd angle, appeared.

"Mr. Hauser, I presume," he said. "You're wanted on the telephone."

And so, with our rescuer leading the way, we made our way back to the comparative civilization of the news room.

"Farewell! Farewell, happy land of Shdu-la!"

STRANGE IF TRUE DEPT.
Higher Education
Interests Students

—Headline in Capital Journal

Trivial Information—This is doubtless week in the United States. In California it is newspaper week.

MUSICAL NOTE

John Creech, the golfer and music lover, is in a quandary over whether to give up Sunday golf or the Sunday afternoon radio symphony concerts. There might be truth in the rumor that he will solve the question by carrying a portable radio with him while golfing. We can hear him asking his caddy to give him his woodwinds as he tees up on the 17th. This would go on until someone hit him over the head with a brassie section.

We are reminded of our old friend Dr. Emil Cose by the situation in the Baltic states. We can hear them saying "Day by day in every way we're getting redder and redder."

Flames Destroy Puget Sound Boat

SEATTLE, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Fire destroyed the 42-ton fishing boat Kasaan in Puget sound near here today but its crew of three escaped in life boats.

The Kasaan, owned by Booth Fisheries of Seattle and Ketchikan, Alaska, was inbound to Seattle from Alaska when she burned about a mile and a half off shore near Richmond beach. The fishing vessel was built at Anacortes, Wash.

Captain Richard McGinn, United Airlines pilot, reported via radio that the boat was in distress while he was en route from Vancouver, B. C., to Seattle, on a scheduled flight, and UAL headquarters here notified the coast guard. Coast guardsmen said the boat was believed to be a total loss.

Alleged Killer to Stand Trial Soon

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—District Attorney James R. Bain of Multnomah county said today Allen D. Brumfield, alias Helen Presley, would go on trial October 23 for the killing of Mrs. Hattie Hooker, 61, hospital attendant.

Brumfield is charged with shooting Mrs. Hooker August 19 in an unsuccessful attempt to escape from Good Samaritan hospital, where he was being treated for gunshot wounds inflicted by police.

The prisoner is a fugitive from the Washington state penitentiary at Walla Walla.

Repealists of Embargo Hit By LaFollette

'Young Bob' Says Chamberlain Would Bring About War Boom

Sound Economy at Home, in Latin America Is Urged

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—(AP)—In the same chamber where his father fought a losing battle against American entrance into the world war, Senator LaFollette (prog-Wis) raised his voice today against President Roosevelt's proposal to repeal the arms embargo.

"Young Bob," he is 44—warned his colleagues that the administration's proposed revision of the neutrality law would lead to a disastrous war boom, draining the country's resources into Europe in exchange for "sterile" gold.

Instead of encouraging war trade, Europe, he said, should concentrate on building a sound economy at home and in Latin America.

The United States, could help make her South American neighbors secure against possible "fascist attacks," he added, by using part of its "surplus of gold" to make direct investments which would raise South American standards of living and to stabilize the banking systems there.

Serves Notice He Will Amend Bill

LaFollette served notice that he would ask the senate later to amend the administration bill so that trade quotas would prevent "valuable and necessary products" from being drained away.

His speech concluded a day's debate in which those opposed to lifting the ban on arms sales to warring nations picked up the support of Senator Chavez (D-NM), who previously had been uncommitted publicly.

LaFollette's speech increased efforts by some senators on both sides of the embargo controversy build up sentiment for relaxation of the bill's prohibition against American ships carrying any goods to the belligerents. Chairman Borah (R-Id.) of the senate commerce committee reported excellent prospects of "reaching an accord" on substitute provisions permitting American ships to visit some belligerent ports.

He declined to disclose the specific regulations being considered, but admitted that the restrictions have been principally of not applying them to Australia and British and French possessions in the Pacific.

At the conclusion of LaFollette's address, Senator Buckley (D-Ky.), the majority leader, announced that the leadership hoped to conclude general debate on the neutrality issue this week and being consideration of specific amendments next week.

LaFollette's speech produced at one point a dramatic flashback to the days when his father stood with only five other senators against the United States going into the world war.

Chairman Pittman (D-Nev.) of the foreign relations committee, when LaFollette resumed he referred directly to his interrogator.

"The senator from Nevada has pointed out that he was in congress during the war and that he was through it," he said.

"I was here, too. I stood over there near the clerk's desk when my father sought to get recognition in the closing hours to speak against the armed ship bill."

"I had heard the rumors in the cloakrooms. I saw that certain gentlemen on this floor were armed. I saw a rush around my father when he got to his feet. I know how tense men's emotions can get."

"And I say that now is the time to discuss the fundamental problem that now are hanging in the balance."

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Echoes Famous Senator Father

—By S. H. Lott



Echoes of his senator father's fight against the United States entering the world war in 1917 sounded in the senate chambers at Washington yesterday as Senator Son "Bob" LaFollette denounced efforts to repeal present neutrality legislation.

CIO Convention Condemns NLRB

Delegates Rise in Body to Shout Resolution Endorsement

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Delegates to the CIO convention rose in a body here tonight to shout endorsement of resolutions which condemned the national labor relations board.

"This convention commends to all CIO affiliates a most sparing and considerate use of the Wagner act in the future," said one resolution.

The board and its administrative policies were flayed by Philip Murray, head of the steel workers' organizing committee, and Van A. Bittner, official of the packing house workers' organizing committee, in addresses punctuated by delegates' cheers.

The resolutions were introduced after the convention had adopted a 1940 political course without reference to a possible third term for President Roosevelt.

The labor relations board was dealt with in two resolutions simultaneously adopted, one of them stating that the CIO and its affiliates "condemn without qualification" the policies of the board "which undermine basic purposes of the (Wagner) act."

The resolution asserted the board's policies "have resulted in the displacement of unskilled persons in favor of persons antagonistic to the CIO."

"The CIO brands the adoption of such policies and such displacements of personnel as an unwarranted and unworthy retreat" by the board "under fire from the reactionary officials of the AFL and the most powerful and dangerous corporate employers of the land," it stated.

Lithuania to Ask Change of Pact

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 13.—(Friday)—(AP)—The newspaper Dagens Nyheter reported today in a dispatch from Riga, Latvia, that the Lithuanian government, with Soviet Russia's support has determined to make representations to Berlin to change the German-Lithuanian pact which gave Memelland to Germany.

The dispatch reported that Lithuania, since the former capital Vilna (Wilno) through a pact with Soviet Russia, was unsatisfied with her limited rights in Memel and now claims extra-territorial rights in Memel harbor.

It was reported the Lithuanian government also is planning to open diplomatic action in Berlin to regain the Suwalki district southeast of Memelland on the eastern border of East Prussia.

The Suwalki district once belonged to the Vilna district but now is German. The inhabitants are largely Lithuanian.

Father Puts to Death Blind, Crippled Child

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Because "he was just like dead all the time," a 13-year-old boy, blind, crippled since birth, was put to death today, police said, by his father.

Detectives Harry Roedel and James Harrison said the father, Lewis Repouille, 38, a hospital elevator operator, told them he had killed his son, Raymond, "as an act of mercy."

They quoted Repouille as saying, "he couldn't see or walk or talk... nothing seemed to do him any good... the boy was no use to himself or anyone else... just like dead all the time."

The body, clad in a red, white and blue gingham dress and a white sweater, was found lying on a bed in the family's dingy Bronx apartment.

Police said Repouille told them: "I took the child from the crib and put him on the bed. I doused the rag with chloroform and kept giving him more and more."

Britain Says 'No' to Hitler Peace Offer

Choice of Real Peace or War Offered Fuehrer by Chamberlain

British Prime Minister Terms Proposals of Germany 'Vague'

LONDON, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Britain sternly refused today to make any peace with Adolf Hitler based on "recognition of his conquests and his right to do what he pleases with the conquered."

Grim-voiced Prime Minister Chamberlain offered the German Fuehrer a choice between a real and lasting peace backed by "effective guarantees" or a war in which France and Britain "must persevere in their duty to the end."

Almost in the next breath, however, the prime minister expressed doubt Hitler could give such guarantees, declaring to the house of commons: "Says England Cannot Rely on Germany."

"The plain truth is that, after our past experience, it is no longer possible to rely upon the unsupported word of the present German government."

It was Chamberlain's first speech since Hitler in the reichstag last Friday outlined his ideas for a European peace, and, with Premier Daladier's Tuesday broadcast, constituted the allied reply to the Fuehrer's proposals.

Without fixing specific conditions, Chamberlain said, "either the German government must give convincing proof of the sincerity of their desire for peace by definite acts and by the provision of effective guarantees of their intention to fulfill their undertakings or we must persevere in our duty to the end."

"It is for Germany to make the choice."

As the roar of "hear, hears" died away, members of the opposition (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4.)

Japanese Cabinet Faced With Crisis

More Than 150 Officials Tender Resignations in Revolt

TOKYO, Oct. 13.—(Friday)—(AP)—A mounting crisis confronted the entire cabinet of Premier Nobuyuki Abe as a result of a foreign office "revolt" in which more than 150 officials and subordinates tendered their resignations.

The premier announced early today a six-hour conference with his colleagues that "the government is now prepared to make some compromises" on plans to create a new trade ministry, which started the controversy, but that he was unable to "state the details."

The proposed ministry would absorb the foreign trade bureau of the foreign office, a move which opponents say would divide the foreign office of vital functions.

Few of the resignations have been accepted thus far and the foreign office operations have not been affected.

The trade ministry was proposed particularly to regain the vast export trade which has been affected seriously by the war in China. It was considered of great significance at this time because of the European war from which Japanese exporters hope to reap immense profits.

Finns Close Ports Is Danish Dispatch

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 12.—(AP)—The newspaper Berlingske Tidende reported today in a dispatch from Stockholm tonight that the Finnish government had closed all ports of the Gulf of Finland to Finnish ships as a precaution against "seizure" in the event of trouble.

Five ports, including Helsinki, were affected.

Finland ships can call at Abo and points northward on the gulf of Bothnia. Foreign shipping was unaffected by the closure.

Jimmie Roosevelt Asks Demotion

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—(AP)—At his own request, James Roosevelt has been demoted from lieutenant colonel to captain in the marine corps reserve.

James Roosevelt today the president's eldest son decided voluntarily that the rank he had held as White House aide was "too high for my age and experience."

Berlin Newsmen Told US Can Prevent 'Gruesome' Conflict

States' Power Thrown Behind Scandinavians

Diplomatic Pressure Put on Russia to Ease Finland Demand

US Ambassador Confers at Kremlin, Reportedly on Home Orders

By WITT HANCOCK
MOSCOW, Oct. 12.—(AP)—The United States threw its diplomatic weight behind the Scandinavian states today in urging Soviet Russia not to make an extreme demand upon Finland which might endanger her peaceful relations with Moscow.

After United States Ambassador Laurence Steinhardt was welcomed at the Kremlin for an hour with Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov today, it was reliably reported Denmark, Sweden and Norway had presented identical notes urging that Finland's independence and neutrality not be threatened.

Molotov Urged Not To Injure Finn Relations
Reliable sources said Ambassador Steinhardt, acting on instructions from the United States government, urged on Molotov the desirability of making no demands which would injuriously affect Finnish-Soviet relations.

(The state department in Washington announced that the government had expressed to the Russian government "its earnest hope that nothing would occur which would be calculated to affect injuriously the peaceful relations between Soviet Russia and Finland.") A statement added that "this is a unilateral and entirely independent action of the United States government," apparently to make it clear the move had no connection with the action of the three Scandinavian states.

(A Copenhagen announcement said the notes of Denmark, Sweden and Norway expressed their support for the centralizing of relations between an independent, neutral Finland and Russia.)

Talk With Passiviki
Ambassador Steinhardt's visit to the Kremlin was paid just before Dr. Juhani Kusti Kivimäki, the Finnish delegate, made his formal call upon Molotov to learn how the soviet's Baltic plans affect Finland. Joseph Stalin was present at the conversation with Passiviki.

Finland was known to be hopeful that American moral support would help her escape such broad military concessions as Russia already has obtained from her little neighbors, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, which have become virtual protectorates of the soviet.

Another conference was scheduled for tomorrow afternoon.

Dies Committee Quizes Navy Men

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—(AP)—The Dies committee held a three-hour secret session today to investigate reports of communist activity among machinists in the Washington navy yard.

Six witnesses, all navy yard workers, were questioned privately in the committee's rooms on the top floor of the house office building. Chairman Dies (D-Tex) declined afterwards to comment on the results of the questioning, but said the inquiry would be continued.

Dies also said he would decline an invitation from the American civil liberties union which he has termed communistic, to attend its national conference in New York tomorrow and Saturday. He said a public hearing of his committee scheduled for tomorrow would prevent acceptance.

Auto Union Asks Voice in Speeds

DETROIT, Oct. 12.—(AP)—The CIO United Automobile Workers' union, which has given notice of intent to strike in all Chrysler corporation plants, insisted today that it be given a voice in the fixing of production speeds, a matter which the corporation contends is a function of the management.

A dispute which at first centered in speed of assembly lines in the main plant of Chrysler's Dodge division has resulted in idleness for more than 50,000 employees in Chrysler plants and in Briggs Manufacturing company units dependent on the Dodge plant for parts.

The only Chrysler plant operating in the Detroit area today was the Dodge truck plant in nearby Macomb county, where production work was about half normal, with less than 1000 employees working.

May Salvage Plane

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Major G. H. Gale, commandant of Gray field, Fort Lewis, Wash., arrived in Vancouver today en route to Keefers, B. C., 85 miles north of here, to investigate possibility of salvaging a Washington national guard plane which crashed in the rugged mountain territory last Monday.

Finns 'Will to Peace' Reaffirmed by Foreign Minister in Radio Talk

Erkko Praises United States as Nation Interested in Protection of Democratic Principles; Germany Refuses to Rebroadcast

HELSINKI, Oct. 13.—(Friday)—(AP)—Foreign Minister Elias Erkko early today reaffirmed to his Scandinavian neighbors Finland's "will to peace" in a radio broadcast which Germany refused to relay to the United States on the ground of its "political nature."

Russia, with whom Finland opened negotiations today in Moscow, was not mentioned by name in the five-minute address in which Erkko praised the United States as a "great and free nation inspired by a sense of justice, protection and defense of democratic principles."

The cancellation of the relay of the broadcast to the United States was announced two hours before Erkko was to go on the air at 1:30 a. m. (6:30 p. m. EST Thursday). The foreign minister did not mention Russia by name in his speech.

He said it had been necessary to take "precautionary measures" but that "these measures, though they necessarily take so serious a shape, do not imply that Finland has given up her will to peace."

Their purpose, Erkko added, "is to show that she can not submit or comply with dictates of an outside factor which would result in her international and political activity being dependent on something other than her own free will."

"Finland is still—and unshakably—determined to preserve her peaceful relations with other countries."

"We appreciate every token of goodwill towards us and Finland is ready to give proof that she appreciates everything which can help to strengthen her neighbors' feeling of safety. While doing this, Finland has full right, with all the more reason because she is a small country, to expect other nations to respect her integrity and not to threaten her safety."

He praised the United States as a "great and free nation inspired by a sense of justice, protection and defense of democratic principles from which nations, animated by the same ideas, draw strong moral support. There are few people that have such close relation and understand each other so well as the United States and Finland."

Troops of British Added to French

France Resumes Attacks on Fighting Lines of Germans

PARIS, Oct. 13.—(Friday)—(AP)—Thirty thousand British troops were reported early today to have joined the French forces on the northeastern German front.

The French resumed their attacks on German lines last night after five days of defensive action, but apparently the British had not yet been thrown into the actual fighting.

The French high command said German attacks at scattered points along the 100-mile front between the Moselle and the Rhine rivers had been repulsed.

Operations still fell short of a general offensive, but it was indicated the French had taken the initiative away from the Germans.

The general staff's communique tonight tersely referred to the renewed onslaught as "activity of our advance elements." Military advances, however, said the French patrols edging through the woods and over the hills of no-man's-land between the great fortified rival Maginot and Siegfried lines had engaged in several encounters with the German advance guard.

Chiefs Congress Ends

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—(AP)—The 46th annual congress of the International Association of Chiefs of Police ended today with the selection of Milwaukee, Wis., as the 1940 convention city, the election of officers, and the adoption of several resolutions.

Marion County Births up, Report Shows; Deaths Drop

Annual report of the Marion county department of health issued yesterday shows an increase in births in the county from 922 to 932 for this year as against last year, and on the other hand a decrease in deaths from 583 to 558. Of the deaths, nine were from automobile accidents, and 30 from other accidental causes during the past year.

In the general activities report of the department, a decrease of \$107 in immunizations for small-pox appears for this year, 1101 having been administered as compared with 3208 last year. Diphtheria immunizations decreased to a lesser extent, from 1540 to 1136.

In disease control, clinic visits for general disease cases increased from 1733 to 2972, though cases of diphtheria dropped from 98 to 86 during the 12 month period. In tuberculosis control, the

number of x-ray examinations increased from 596 to 861 owing to testing of food handlers. The number of individuals suffering from tuberculosis admitted to medical and nursing service increased materially from 1007 to 1780.

In infant and pre-school hygiene, a total of 768 children were admitted to medical service this year, as compared with 720 a year ago. School children inspections numbered 7318 as compared with 10,035, and examinations were 2961, exceeding last year's 2212 by 749.

In laboratory tests, the department reported having completed 1915 syphilis tests as compared with 520 a year ago, and 869 diphtheria tests as against 321 in 1938.

In its statement on communicable diseases, the department reported 47 cases of chickenpox as (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2.)

Denial of Aid To Britain Is Held Solution

Reich's Press Chief Says Hitler now Ready to Start Total War

Asserts Chamberlain Set Upon Annihilating German People

By LOUIS F. LOCHNER
BERLIN, Oct. 13.—(Friday)—(AP)—Adolf Hitler is ready to order a total war against Britain and France, but one power—the United States—can yet intervene to prevent the "most gruesome bloodbath in history," foreign correspondents were told today.

Emerging from a conference of several hours with the Fuehrer, Dr. Otto Dietrich, reich's press chief, expressed his conviction to a small group of correspondents that Britain risked her "insolent reply" to Hitler through Prime Minister Chamberlain only because she relied upon the United States to support her.

Fuehrer Determined to Wage 'War in Earnest'

Hitler, after a three-hour word-by-word study of the Chamberlain speech of yesterday in which the prime minister rejected the Fuehrer's peace overtures, was reliably reported to have determined upon a "war in earnest" against Britain and France in the west.

The United States, Dr. Dietrich expounded, could put an end to the war if she unequivocally told Britain she would not support her unless efforts to settle the problems at issue were first made at the council table.

Every German, Hitler's trusted spokesman added, was aware that Chamberlain had nowhere indicated a willingness to sit down to talk things over with Germany.

Hitler, Dr. Dietrich said he felt sure, would even now delay giving the command for taking up the western campaign on a gigantic scale if there was any indication that Roosevelt was likely to tell Chamberlain in no uncertain terms that he must express his readiness to get Germany in conference.

Chamberlain's speech, he said, indicated determination to annihilate the German people.

"Let's see who will be annihilated," the press chief added with a determined snap of his jaw.

Claims Germany Hasn't Shown Strength

Germany, in the opinion of other prominent Nazis who joined in the conference, thus far has not even attempted a display of her air powers in the west.

Never were more than two dozen planes massed for an attack, they said.

But before Modlin, in Poland, they said, 800 power-diving bombers had been let loose.

A similar number unleashed against British ships and strategic coastal points, they declared, could do untold damage.

Dietrich said that with Russia ready to support Germany and Italy willing to remain neutral or become belligerent—whatever might seem better to the general staff—he considered Germany unbeatable.

Easier to Blockade England, Dietrich Avers

Germany, he asserted, for Germany to blockade England than for England to starve out Germany.

Dietrich said he regarded Chamberlain's speech as one of the most stupid he had read from any statesman.

He declared it was totally void of vision or comprehension of the world situation.

The German people would be welded together more closely than ever because of the insolence of that speech and England's apparent determination to try to annihilate Germany, the Fuehrer's press chief concluded.

Earlier, as Hitler concluded his study of the Chamberlain speech in close consultation with his advisers, informed sources said he had decided his six-day peace efforts were hopeless.

Accordingly he had dropped such efforts, and summoned his general staff to take charge of the war in the west.

Salem Residents Observe Their 13th Anniversary

While other people are worrying about the consequences of Friday the 13th, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Waldorf of 1400 North Church street are happily celebrating their 13th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Waldorf, 52, was married October 15, 1926. They have a daughter, Betty, age 9, and a son, Jimmy, age 2.