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EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR

US "Concerned" Over British Ship Policy

In One Ear..

—Paul Hauser's Column

We feel it our bounden duty as a citizen to expose here and now that growing army which is thrusting from within to destroy the vital of our country. Industrial civilization. Gentlemen, we refer to those subtle saboteurs, the paper clip benders. When on some long forgotten day some inventor brought forth the paper clip bender, little did he realize the terrible toll his invention was going to take.

Now we stand at a point of decision confronted with an occupational disease, chiefly prevalent among newspapermen, stenographers, filing clerks and other people with time to kill and paper clips to bend. Gentlemen, it is this disease, the paper clip bender, that has brought about the great expansion of American industry, all based on that noble metal, iron. On the other hand... the paper clip bender. SOMETHING MUST BE DONE.

This disease, sometimes referred to as the bends (Russia has another name for it) is known euphemistically to the medical profession as P.C.B. 39. As an almost cured P.C.B. 39 (case history No. X-53011) we can speak with authority on P.C.B. 39 (hereafter referred to as paper clip bending for brevity's sake).

A severe case (and we were pretty severe) can run as many as 30 paper clips every 30 minutes on a good day. Some days are worse. That may not mean much to you as a statistician, but it is so difficult for us experts to put these things over to you laymen, but think of it in terms of millions. Millions of paper clip benders bending and ruining paper clips every hour. It is a continual bend, bend, bend. Touch your toes, bend-two-three-four, bend-two-three-four. Take a deep breath. Never mind, we'll take a deep breath.

Henders are a great trial to efficiency experts, the United States navy and some other people we could mention. The efficiency experts, whose motto is "Waste not, want not," have figured that if all the bent paper clips were straightened out, they still wouldn't be any good as paper clips. Good for head-scratching, yes, but for paper clips, no.

The navy is the big problem. The navy is worried about its battleships. If industry continues getting the bends and millions, trillions and billions of tons of precious iron and steel go into paper clips where, we ask, is the navy going to get its battleships? Out of cages?

No! Sirs, the navy will never stoop to that. What is the answer then? Can the president declare a national emergency (we're still got the old one, thanks) and declare paper clips out of bounds for industry? Hardly. Would American industry stand for an ersatz paper clip?

That something MUST be done. That, gentlemen, is the problem which faces us today. Next week: The Coming Struggle With Cellulose.

San Francisco at Invaders' Mercy

MONTREY, Calif., Jan. 22—(AP)—San Francisco was theoretically at the mercy tonight of an invading army with snipers, defense lines near here in a massed attack.

The attack this morning was the closing maneuver in combat phases of the largest war games ever staged jointly by the army and navy. A "cease firing" order at 11:16 a.m., stopped the week-old "war" and turned the "battle" over to official umpires for a final decision.

Attack and defense troops moved into camp Ord for a period of intensive training to be climaxed possibly with more battle maneuvers next summer.

Nearly 15,000 troops, 8,000 of them landed on the shores of Monterey bay from transports, participated in the mock war in addition to several score naval craft, part of which theoretically blasted defense lines with land-based bombers. The invaders could have Major General Walter C. Sweeney, commander of the invading third army division, had high praise for civilian cooperation during the maneuvers and said it (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Mattson Kidnap Suspect Cleared

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22—(AP)—After questioning Fred C. Willis, 32, federal agents eliminated him today as a possible suspect in the kidnaping and murder of young Charles Mattson of Tacoma, Wash., three years ago. Willis was turned back over to police, who jailed him Saturday night on suspicion of burglary. He was arrested on the California hospital premises.

Heads of Grief Bowed in

At Borah Rites

Washington Pays Final Impressive Honor to "Lion of Idaho"

Misty Eyes of Senate Colleagues Testify to Greatness

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—President Roosevelt and other national leaders bowed in grief today at a state funeral for the revered elder statesman, Senator William E. Borah of Idaho. Senator Glass (D-Va.) and many others brushed tears from their eyes in the hushed half-gloom of the senate chamber as congressional chaplains prayed beside the state gray steel casket containing the remains of the man who came out of the west 33 years ago to win fame in some of history's most momentous debates.

After the ceremony the doors were locked, and the body lay in solitude, except for an honor guard of policemen, until the time came at 3:10 p. m. to start the long journey back to Idaho, where burial will take place Thursday in Boise.

Solemn Grandeur Marks Ceremony

Aside from the solemn grandeur of the scene—floor and galleries packed with black-clad diplomats, legislators, judges and Borah's friends from private life—the ceremony itself was simple. Mrs. Henrietta Barger Plummer, well-known Washington singer, opened the ceremony with the hymn, "Lead Kindly Light." There was no accompaniment. "I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord," began the house chaplain, the Rev. James Montgomery. The senate chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Ze Barney Phillips, then read a lesson from the 14th chapter of St. John and the eighth chapter of Romans.

Another song by Mrs. Plummer, "Aid With Me," and a prayer, including a supplication for Mrs. Borah, followed.

Day of Mourning To Be Proclaimed

Idaho Governor Will Set Aside Thursday in Respect to Borah

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 22—(AP)—Governor C. A. Bottolcun announced today he would issue a proclamation setting Thursday as a day of mourning for Senator William E. Borah.

Funeral services will be held here that day at 2 p. m. for the veteran senator. Although the day will not be a holiday, Earl Murphy, secretary of the governor, said many business houses would close.

A special seven-car train will carry the senator's body from Omaha, Neb., to Boise, arriving Thursday at 7:15 a. m. It will enter Idaho at Pogram, a small Idaho-Wyoming border town, Wednesday at 9:30 p. m. The only stop will be at Montpelier where a military escort will go aboard.

The senator's widow, Mrs. Mary Borah, official members of the funeral party and a few close friends will be on the train. The body will lie in state in the capitol rotunda from 10 a. m. until the funeral hour.

Services will be simple. The only speaker will be The Rev. Frank A. Rice, dean of St. Michael's Episcopal cathedral, Boise. There will be one musical number, a hymn.

Burial will be in Morris Hill cemetery at 3:30 p. m.

British Seizure of Germans Off Japanese Ship Protested

TOKYO, Jan. 22—(AP)—Japan in a vigorous protest tonight accused Britain of "a serious unfriendly act" in seizing 21 German seamen from the Japanese liner Asama Maru 35 miles off the east coast of Japan.

The Japanese government, declaring "forcible measures" were used to capture the Germans Saturday, reserved the right to demand return of the prisoners and requested a "full, valid explanation."

ALABAMA'S QUADS IN CARDBOARD INCUBATOR



Here's the latest picture of the Short quadruplets of Nauvoo, Ala., "doing fine" in their improvised cardboard packing box incubator in Jasper. The girl babies are named Faith, Hope and Charity and the boy, Franklin. Mrs. Clyde Short, the mother of the quads and wife of a sharecropper, has five other children. The Short family lives in a two-room dwelling.

Melson Switches Plea; Sentenced

Jail Term Suspended as County Commissioner Pays \$250 Fine

Judge Earl C. Latourette of Clackamas county yesterday sentenced Roy S. Melson, county commissioner, to pay a fine of \$250 and spent 90 days in county jail when Melson changed his plea to guilty.

On payment of the fine, the judge ordered the jail sentence suspended and Melson placed on parole for the remainder of the year.

Nazis Forced to Police Railroad

Rebellious Crews Hold Up Shipments of Wheat, Rumanian Oil

BUCHAREST, Jan. 22—(AP)—Rebelliousness of train crews on the line linking Germany with Rumanian wheat and oil has forced the reich to send an armed force to police the railway through Rumania.

Russia agreed to the occupation of more than 200 miles of the line by German troops, according to official information received here from both Berlin and Moscow.

Prisoners Ask to Join Finn Forces

State penitentiary prisoners yesterday presented a petition to Warden George Alexander asking that they be released to join the Finnish army in its fight against the Russians.

50,000 Expected For Boise Rites

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 22—(AP)—Police planned tonight to handle 25,000 to 50,000 persons at funeral services here Thursday for the late Senator William E. Borah.

Hotels and rooming houses reported requests for reservations far exceeded their capacity.

Late Sports

BASKETBALL. CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 22.—The Oregon State rook ball team defeated Albany high 84-26 tonight for its sixth consecutive victory of the season.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 22—(CP)—Vancouver Lions defeated Portland Buckaroos 8-1 in a Pacific coast hockey league game here tonight which wound up with Jenn Fausie of Vancouver and Ron Sutherland of Portland exchanging blows.

Bidders Eager to Get Bonds of Capital City

Salem Credit Never in Better Condition Than at Present Time, Survey Conducted by City Treasurer Paul H. Hauser Shows

Credit of the city of Salem has never been in better shape than at present and investors are eager to procure city of Salem bonds, a survey concluded yesterday by the office of City Treasurer Paul H. Hauser reveals.

There are no city warrants outstanding endorsed "not paid for want of funds," according to the survey, and there were no bonds issued for any purpose during 1939.

Man Shoots Self 3 Times, Finally Quits in Disgust

NEW YORK, Jan. 22—(AP)—Salvatore Morrione, 50, a janitor, went into the cellar of his apartment building today, tired of living and determined to end it all.

He placed a revolver in his temple, closed his eyes and pulled the trigger. He heard the report of the shot but he did not die. He did not even fall.

He put the gun to his head and fired a second time. The result was no more effective than the first.

He fired a third time and threw the gun away in disgust.

Then he walked upstairs and explained to his wife and two children that he had found a gun and that it had accidentally discharged as he was examining it.

Doctors at Bellevue hospital were amazed when he walked in and told them the real story—how three shots failed to kill him. They didn't believe the story until x-rays showed the presence of two bullets and the possibility of a third.

Still the doctors did not feel Morrione's condition was serious. He was placed in the prison ward on a charge of illegally possessing a firearm.

Four hours after the shooting, however, Morrione complained of a pain in the head.

The doctors placed him on the serious list.

Death Toll 62

PORTLAND, Jan. 22—(AP)—Portland's 1939 traffic toll stood at 62 today with the death of Charles Evans 73, injured in an automobile accident last June.

Russians Lose In Attempt to Penetrate Line

Mannerheim Withstands Desperate Effort by Soviet Army

Germans Deny Report of Active Help to Invading Troops

By WADE WERNER HELSINKI, Jan. 22—(AP)—To the accompaniment of loudspeaker broadcasts that the Germans were coming and "would kill all Finns," Russia's red army was reported in military dispatches today to have lost 900 troops in a fruitless attempt to crack Finland's Mannerheim line.

(Nazis in Berlin immediately replied that Germany's position remained "friendly toward the Russian cause but strictly that of an observer.")

Heavy fighting was reported northeast of Lake Ladoga in the direction of Kaitila, Kollantjoki and Ilomantsi with the Russians leaving more than 600 dead on the battlefields. The red army appeared ready for a new effort after concentrating new supplies and munitions.

Another Attack "Halted in Infancy"

Another soviet attack at Taipale on the Karelian isthmus was "halted in its infancy" it was reported in tonight's communique covering yesterday.

After yesterday's fighting (at Taipale) about 12 enemy dead were counted in our foremost positions," the communique said, "and on the ground in the front of our lines were the bodies of several hundred others. . . . The enemy tried to give effect to his attacks by loud speakers mounted in his positions which exhorted our men to surrender, declaring that Viipuri would be taken within 48 hours and threatening that Germans are coming (Turn to page 2, column 7)

Dies Committee Gets House Okeh

First Legislative Hurdle Cleared to Reestablish Un-American Probers

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—A resolution to reestablish the Dies committee on un-American activities cleared its first legislative hurdle today despite fresh criticism of the committee's methods and a charge that its chairman, Rep. Dies (D-Tex.), had "actively associated" with a "fellow traveler" of the Christian Front.

The house rules committee unanimously approved the resolution and put it on the calendar for house consideration tomorrow. Leaders said its approval by the house was virtually certain.

The Dies committee's authority expired January 3. Rep. Hook (D-Mich.) linked Dies' name with the Christian Front, 17 of whose members have been arrested in New York and charged with plotting to overthrow the government.

Hook appeared before the rules committee with a mass of documents he wanted the members to look over, and when they refused, put into the congressional record a statement declaring that Dies was in "active association with a prominent collaborator" of the Christian Front, and had been "taking us for a ride for his own political purposes." This "collaborator" was identified as (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

Hop Growers Favor Federal Plan of Market Agreements

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22—(AP)—Pacific coast hop growers commended federal regulation of hop markets today and indicated they might ask for another year of legislative protection.

Warren Brown, Ukiah grower, said at a meeting of the hop control board he would like to see the program continued. Growers, he said, should petition Henry Wallace, federal secretary of agriculture to hold hearings on a proposed new marketing agreement.

The coastwide board met here today to hear a summary of grower, dealer and brewer opinions.

G. L. Becker of Ogden, Utah, president of the National Hop Growers' association, said brewers were satisfied with the program, which is designed to control the amount of hops marketed and so support the price.

Coast production was around 10 per cent more than the marketing agreement allowed to be sold in 1939. The crop brought Washington, Oregon and California dealers somewhat more than \$9,000,000.

Prices as reported by the California crop reporting service averaged 29 cents a pound for this state, and presumably also for the same for Oregon and Washington.

No. 1 Communist Guilty of Fraud

Browder Is Given 4-Year Sentence

Federal Jury Convicts No. 1 Communist in Passports

NEW YORK, Jan. 22—(AP)—Earl Russell Browder, the Kansas-born American Communist leader, was convicted of passport fraud in federal court today and sentenced to 4 years in prison and fined \$2,000.

The jury of 11 men and a young woman deliberated only 45 minutes on the verdict after hearing Browder himself in a singular summation plead for his freedom for more than an hour. No other defense was offered.

Brushing aside his attorney, George Gordon Battle, Browder took the floor with the statement that he was a correspondence school lawyer.

The sentence was pronounced immediately after the jury was polled and a defense motion for delay was denied. It specified that 2-year sentences on each of two counts must be served consecutively. The maximum prison sentence would have been 10 years.

Browder, a perennial candidate for political office, was the communist candidate for president in 1936 and is now a candidate for the seat in congress vacated by the recent death of Rep. Slovich (D-N.Y.).

Tonight, standing before some 20,000 persons in a communist demonstration in Madison Square (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Leaders Will Ask Fete Cooperation

A Salem delegation will go to Eugene this afternoon to confer with directors of Eugene's Trail to Rail celebration in an effort to have the university city postpone its triennial fete a year in order not to conflict with plans for observance of the capital city's 1940 centennial.

Governor Charles A. Sprague and Mayor W. W. Chadwick, member and chairman, respectively, of the Salem centennial executive board, will head the delegation. Others going are Irl S. McSherry, secretary, George Riches, finance committee chairman, and W. M. Hamilton.

The centennial planning committee will meet at the chamber of commerce here Thursday night.

Detention in Mediterranean Is Protested

American Vessels Held Three Times Longer Than Italians

Aide Memoire Handed to Ambassador by State Leaders

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—The United States has expressed to Great Britain "its serious concern" over the treatment British authorities are according American ships at Gibraltar, where detained three times as long as British contraband authorities hold Italian ships there.

This was disclosed tonight when the state department made public an aide memoire, handed to the British ambassador Saturday, which protested that American ships at Gibraltar were being detained three times as long as British contraband authorities hold Italian ships there.

The aide memoire, appending a list of nine American ships detained by British authorities at Gibraltar between November 15 and December 15, pointed out that they were held an average of 12 1/2 days each, whereas Italian ships were held an average of only four days, and demanded assurances that the examination of American ships be speeded up. The present situation was characterized as "discriminate against American shipping."

The protest was another in a series of representations made recently by the United States on such matters as Britain's blockade of German exports, her taking American ships into the combat area, and her interference with American mails.

In addition, Secretary Hull called the British ambassador, Lord Lothian, to his office, and drew his attention to the plight of American tobacco growers as Britain's refusal to buy American tobacco although, for political reasons, she is increasing her orders for American tobacco.

The protest, after recalling that this government had already protested British interference with cargoes moving from one neutral country to another, said:

"In addition, it now regrets the necessity of being forced to observe not only that British interference, carried out under the theory of contraband control, has worked a wholly unwarrantable delay on American shipping to and from the Mediterranean area; but also that the effect of such action appears to have been discriminatory."

"Since ample time has elapsed to permit the setting up of an efficient system of control, it would seem that the present situation can no longer be ascribed to the confusion attendant on early organization difficulties."

The aide memoire went on to say that official mail for American consular offices in Europe has been greatly delayed; that in some instances American vessels have been ordered to proceed, in violation of American law, to the belligerent port of Marseilles to unload cargoes, and there to experience further delays.

"It is further reported," the memoire added, "that cargoes on Italian vessels receive more favorable consideration than similar or equivalent cargoes carried by American ships, and that Italian vessels are permitted to pass through the control with far less inconvenience and delay."

"One of Old-Time Friends of Borah Is Given Memento"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—After the senate chamber had been cleared today at the end of Senator Borah's funeral, Senator Glass (D-Va.), one of Borah's old-time friends, returned to the room still weeping as he had been during the ceremonies.

He stood looking at the brilliant bank of flowers around the rostrum, and finally asked Leslie Biffle, majority clerk, if he might have one. Biffle gave him a red rose, which the senator carried away with him.

Russ Ambassador Will Return Soon

LONDON, Jan. 22—(Tuesday)—(AP)—Soviet Ambassador Ivan Maisky soon will return to Moscow, a reliable source said early today.

It was recalled here that British ambassador to Moscow, Sir William Seeds, recently returned to London for a "vacation."

The reasons for Maisky's going home were not explained.