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Delicate

PHILADELPHIA, May 28 (AP)—Search for the thief with the delicate touch is on. He stole a fire alarm box, disconnecting it without setting off the alarm.

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Mexico at War; Brazil Ships to Shoot Subs

Fuel Oil Order Curtails Heating For All Abodes

50 Per Cent Cut to Dealers In Northwest Means Lower Temperature, Short Days

SEATTLE, May 28—(AP)—Drastic curtailment of fuel oil supplies for Oregon and Washington residences, apartments and hotels was announced Thursday by William D. Shannon, district priorities manager.

Acknowledging that the reduction probably would create discomfort when cold weather returns, he commented: "This is one of the most serious things that has yet come out. But this is war and we might as well recognize it. There will be many tragic things, but we will have to face them."

"This order will bring many of us to a realization of just how serious this fuel oil shortage is."

Shannon explained that under the curtailment order there will be no summer refills of storage tanks for consumers who did not purchase fuel oil during the corresponding month of 1941, unless their tanks are empty.

Those who bought fuel oil in any month last year will be limited to one-half the amount then obtained.

An announcement had been made previously this month of a 50 per cent cut in deliveries to distributors. Thursday's order was an outline of how the distributors should relay the rationing to their customers.

The order includes the clause: "If, however, in any month in 1941 use of fuel oil was abnormally high or low or if no deliveries were made in the corresponding month in 1941, then the distributor shall deliver an amount equal to 50 per cent of the fuel oil required for use in normal operation of oil burning equipment."

While expressing concern over the comfort of the aged and infants, Shannon asserted: "It means drastic curtailment in the amount of heat which will be available for all living quarters."

"It means apartment houses and hotels will probably have heat for a while in the mornings and evenings and no heat will be available in the daytime."

"It means that hot water is going to have to be kept at a temperature of about 140 degrees Fahrenheit."

"It means room temperature is going to be kept around 65 degrees for such times as heat is to be furnished."

"It means further that there may be no heat at all between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m."

Shannon said fuel dealers were (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Work Or Fight Is Policy

Draft Used if Job Refused For No Cause

WASHINGTON, May 28—(AP) Apparently aiming at complete mobilization of this nation's labor resources, manpower Chief Paul V. McNutt announced Thursday night a "work or fight" policy for all workers refusing "suitable employment" in war plants.

The far-reaching policy brings to bear the full force of the draft law to reinforce the drive for workmen in the plants turning out materials for victory.

"If a worker refuses to accept suitable employment in a war industry without reasonable cause," McNutt said, it would be of course the duty of the United States employment service to report the circumstances to the selective service system for consideration in connection with any request for deferment on occupational grounds."

The action recalled similar measures of the first World War, when provost marshal announced that every man of draft age after July 1, 1918 "must work or fight."

Thursday's announcement followed closely a "freezing" of essential workers in critical war industries to their present jobs, in a move to stop "pirating" of labor among war plants through competitive wage bidding.

McNutt said Thursday this policy probably would apply immediately only to a few critical occupations in a small number of war plant areas where manpower conditions are particularly critical.

He emphasized that no restrictions would be placed upon the freedom of a worker to work where he chooses, except that he would be expected to get any new job requiring a critical skill only through the federal employment service.

In each war production area where the job freeze is applied, a local committee of labor and management representatives will be established to advise, hear and make recommendations on appeals by workers or employers, he explained.

5000 to Pick Peas

PENDLETON, May 28—(AP)—Importation of 5000 workers to harvest the pea crop in eastern Oregon and Washington was planned Thursday after a meeting of growers and federal employment service officials of the two states.

Ordered Out



HARRY R. BRIDGES

Deportation of Bridges Called

'Overthrow' Wanted Says Biddle, as Fight Promised

WASHINGTON, May 28—(AP) Attorney General Biddle ruled Thursday that the communist party "teaches the violent overthrow" of the government and ordered Harry R. Bridges, CIO leader in the west, deported on the ground that he was a member of the party.

It was the first administrative finding that placed the communist party in the category of organizations which "advise, advocate, and teach the overthrow, by force and violence, of the government of the United States."

The deportation order was a direct reversal of the unanimous finding of the four members of the board of immigration appeals who reviewed the case last fall. The board, headed by Chairman Joseph Fanelli, (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Berry Price Reply Waited

Farmers Expect OPA Answer Resulting From Freeze

Promised an answer "within 48 hours" on May 20 as to aid in giving farmers a satisfactory price for their strawberries, the growers' committee formed here that week still awaits the reply from the promisor, Edmond F. Maher, regional representative of the office of price administration, George Tate, committee chairman, announced Thursday night.

Tate said he had telegraphed Maher's office Thursday for information as to when the reply might be expected, but had received no answer to this inquiry either.

"As yet no price has been set for strawberries," Tate said. "As soon as an answer is received from the OPA, a meeting of the growers' committee will be held to determine what to do next."

The committee's appointment grew out of a meeting of growers with Maher here the night of May 18 at which it was complained that the OPA's blanket price freezing order had apparently made it impossible for packers to pay the farmers the price they must have to break even on their crop. Maher predicted the OPA would work out some plan for reimbursing the growers for their losses.

Starr Fruit Products company here early this week reported offering 8 cents a pound for strawberries but the amount of berries it was prepared to take at this figure was uncertain.

Family of Six Held, Shoplifting Charge

WALLA WALLA, May 28—(AP) A family of six temporarily residing at Kennewick was held by city police Thursday night on an open charge in connection with shoplifting throughout the Pacific northwest and southern Idaho, Police Chief A. L. Jefferis said.

The group arrested includes two men, their wives and two juveniles and nearly \$1000 in loot from Pasco, Kennewick, Walla Walla, Baker and Eugene, Ore., Buhl and Twin Falls, Ida., Jefferis stated. He said the group is being held pending filing of formal charges tomorrow.

The family was arrested Thursday after a woman was seen carrying out some clothing from a local store under her coat.

Germans Advance In Libya

Russia Reports Gains; Chinese Holding Kinhwa

By WILLIAM SMITH WHITE Associated Press War Editor

German advances in the new Libyan offensive and inconclusive fighting apparently favoring the Russians in the fierce battle of the Ukraine cast up Thursday a sort of rough balance as to the war's two major battlefields on a day that brought word of widespread and similarly mixed actions upon the world's seas.

Not in weeks had the whole global front of the war been so astir; there were among the developments:

Africa—Field Marshal Rommel's powerful tank thrust in Libya had reached to within 15 miles of its principal immediate objective, the scarred fortress of Tobruk, although he had been thrown back at both the British flanks.

The advance was made at the center, to the town of El Adem about 15 miles due south of Tobruk, but whether it was of much importance remained to be seen.

Reaching El Adem Rommel had come forward 30 miles inside the loose British defense zone, but the British pointed out that the capture of desert terrain was in itself of little consequence, and that such lines as exist in that area are fluid. They observed, too, that their own main objective was to destroy Rommel's armored forces and not simply to retain barren territory.

Russia—Russian field dispatches reported that the central and right wings of the Ukrainian offensive were again beating slowly forward upon Kharkov and that in the Izum-Barvenkova sector to the south the German counter-offensive had been hampered down into the ground, at least momentarily, and was in fact being pushed back to new positions.

Enormous German losses in men and machines were claimed along this latter front, where it was stated that in a single action along the Donets river 1000 nazis had been killed by artillery. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Murray Will Call on Ranks

Reconciliation Deemed Past With Lewis; Union Split Seen

WASHINGTON, May 28—(AP) Philip Murray indicated Thursday night that he would ask the rank and file of the United Mine Workers to repudiate John L. Lewis' action in ousting him from the vice presidency of the union.

Declaring the procedure followed by Lewis was "wholly irregular," the CIO president angrily told reporters: "The justice or injustice of the action itself will eventually be passed on by the United Mine Workers membership."

His statement was taken to mean that he would appeal to the UMW convention in Atlantic City next October, though Murray declined to say whether or not that was the meaning.

"You can figure it our yourself," he told reporters. In any event, it was clear that there was no healing now of the breach between the two men who came up from the mines together and were for so many years close friends.

The situation appeared, too, to embrace these possibilities: That Lewis, clearly broken with the man who succeeded him at the head of the CIO, would lead the UMW out of that organization.

That Murray, if he could successfully press a challenge to Lewis in the UMW, might destroy his old friend as a major influence in the labor movement.

Wednesday's Weather

Weather forecasts withheld and temperature data delayed by army request. Max. Temp. Wednesday 60, Min. 40. Precipitation Wednesday .30 in.

Quints Eight; Get Cakes on Visit Home

CALLANDER, Ont., May 28—(AP)—The Dionne quintuplets got a surprise present on their eighth birthday anniversary Thursday—they were allowed to visit the humble farm house where they were born.

Marie, Yvonne, Emilie, Annette and Cecile enjoyed it immensely, romping about the place and watching the farm animals. They had dinner in the house with their parents and brothers and sisters. There were five birthday cakes.

Stimson Sees Return Raids

Tells of Expansion to Meet 'Inevitable' Japanese Blow

WASHINGTON, May 28—(AP) Secretary of War Stimson said Thursday the army was making active preparations to fend off an "almost inevitable" Japanese return blow for last month's spectacular air raid on Tokyo and other Japanese war production centers.

Pacific coast cities are considered the most likely target of attack, the war secretary indicated, but added that a raid on the national capital was not inconceivable, despite the distance involved.

"Whatever happens, we shan't relax our most effective defense, the preparation of a major offensive," he promised.

Without revealing from what quarter the army expected an attack to be attempted, or what measures were being taken to meet it, Stimson told a press conference that "we are on the alert and are doing everything we can to prepare."

"The United States, through Gen. James H. Doolittle inflicted a stinging, humiliating surprise blow on Japan," he said. "To anyone who knows oriental psychology, that meant a most serious loss of face which to orientals can only be wiped out by a return blow, and a greater one if possible."

"That is of paramount interest to us today—to set our house in order for what seems inevitable."

Stimson coupled the warning with announcement of new offensive preparations by the expanding army, but left unanswered the direction of the major offensive he said was being prepared. He declined to comment on the conference of key American military commanders in Great Britain and made no mention of the possibility of nazi attacks on the United States.

The secretary reported: "Nine additional largely motorized infantry divisions will be organized by the end of August. Seven others of the 32 such divisions to be created before the year's end already are in process of formation."

A new amphibious training command has been ordered formed as a part of the army ground forces to intensify preparations for combined land, sea and air warfare. Commanded by Col. Frank A. Keating, of Ridgewood, N.J., the headquarters of the command are initially at Camp Edwards, Mass., but the unit later will shift to Florida.

Order of March

War Work Asked for Holiday

WASHINGTON, May 28—(AP) The following statement concerning the Memorial day holiday was issued by Donald M. Nelson, chairman of the war production board: "Memorial day is set aside as a day to honor the memory of

Blakeley Lasts Out 2 Attacks; 11 Ships Sunk

Argentine Steamer in Port Reveals Survivors Not Off US Battleship as Claimed

Brazil adopted a "shoot-on-sight" policy against axis submarines off her coast and Mexico Thursday went to war against Germany, Italy and Japan, in twin moves which will strengthen the United States' hand in dealing with the serious submarine menace in the western hemisphere.

It was disclosed in Rio De Janeiro that Brazilian airmen had sunk one of the axis submarines which they attacked "in Brazilian territorial waters" during the past week after seven of that country's ships had fallen prey to the under-sea marauders.

Six Executed In Reprisal

New Trouble for Nazi Reported in Killing Of Norway German

LONDON, May 28—(AP)—The Gestapo executed six persons in Prague Thursday in swift reprisal for Wednesday's attack upon Reichsprotektor Reinhard Heydrich and took other sweeping action to put the former Czech republic under a merciless iron heel.

Heinrich Himmler, chief of the Gestapo and perhaps the most feared man in Europe, was reported to have flown to Prague to take personal charge of inquiry and retaliation in connection with the attempt on the life of his chief aide.

The Prague radio announced Thursday night that Gen. Kurt Daluege, former reichsprotektor and a veteran storm troop and elite guard leader, had been appointed protector of Bohemia and Moravia in succession to the wounded Heydrich.

The appointment was made by Hitler himself, and at the same time Heydrich was named Gestapo chief for all German-occupied territory, the Prague radio said. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Coulee Lake At New High

GRAND COULEE, May 28—(AP) There is enough water backed up behind Grand Coulee dam to cover the state of Washington to a depth of two inches, the bureau of reclamation reported Thursday, hastily adding the reassurance that the dam is holding it all very safely in check.

The report was made in announcing the lake level behind the dam had reached a new high at 1258 feet above sea level—a fraction of a foot higher than the previous top mark recorded November 19, 1941.

The lake now covers 68,000 acres, reaching back nearly to Canada. The surface will measure 82,000 acres when it reaches maximum elevation, the bureau said.

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The seized ship was said to have been disguised as a Dutch vessel, and to have been carrying a large quantity of oil, torpedoes and other materials.

US airmen also sank one or more axis U-boats in the Caribbean after the US destroyer United States submarines operating in far eastern waters have torpedoed four Japanese vessels, according to Associated Press dispatches. The ships were a large Japanese auxiliary vessel and a medium-sized cargo carrier sunk, another medium-sized merchantman severely battered and "probably sunk" and a heavy cruiser damaged.

Blakeley survived two attacks to reach the port of St. Lucia, British West Indies.

The Blakeley was badly damaged, six of her crew were killed, and 12 injured Monday when a submarine lurking near Martinique sent a torpedo crashing into her hull. The destroyer put into Fort de France, Martinique, for 48 hours, then was attacked again en route to St. Lucia, but arrived safely with the aid of US air patrols.

Although Brazil is not technically at war with the axis, her status was comparable to that of the United States last year when US armed forces were ordered to shoot at sight any submarines found in the Atlantic because of Germany's arbitrary proclamation of "war zones" in that ocean and subsequent attacks on US naval forces.

A US patrol plane first sighted the axis submarine, it was disclosed, and then Brazilian dive-bombers swept into action to sink the prowler. Oil patches and floating wreckage attested to the accuracy of the Brazilians' attack.

Although it was possible, even probable, that more than two axis submarines were sunk within the past seven days, the steady u-boat toll of US and allied ships in the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico and western Atlantic, remained serious.

The navy department in Washington has acknowledged the loss of 11 ships in those areas in a week's time. Most of them were American vessels, and scores of trained seamen were lost. Almost every day survivors are landed in Latin-American ports or North American ports.

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Boy's Raft Ride Ends in Swim



Bob Nickerson, 12, Oregon State School for the Blind pupil, was cold and shaken Thursday as he clambered into the city first aid car with assistance of Capt. Percy Clark after city firemen had rescued him from a precarious perch on crossarms of the South High street bridge over South Mill creek.

Trained as rescue squads, Salem's firemen are seldom called upon to save more than property, but Thursday they responded to a call for help from a small boy who had been thrown into Mill creek accidentally.

Bob Nickerson, 12-year-old state blind school pupil related to them, after Fireman Glenn Sheppard had "shinned" down one of the South High street bridge piling to pick him off a cross-arm, how he had attempted to navigate the stream on a raft. When his clumsy transport struck a piling, the boy was hurled into the stream. Clutching a piling, he managed to climb to a cross-arm where he sat when his calls for help were heard by Delores Duggan, who lives nearby. Her call to the police department resulted in dispatching of the first aid car.

First aiders had called the fire department and a ladder truck was en route to the bridge when Miss Duggan called firemen. The boy said he believed he had been on the rafter beneath the bridge approximately 15 minutes. Bob's vision at present is said to be comparatively good.

Our Senators



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