

By Charles F. Spang

IT SEEMS TO ME, as it must to all other friends of the United Nations...

As an orator Churchill will not rate with the elder Chatham whose periods were typical of the polished oratory of another day.

He came to the office of the king's first minister with a varied and rich equipment.

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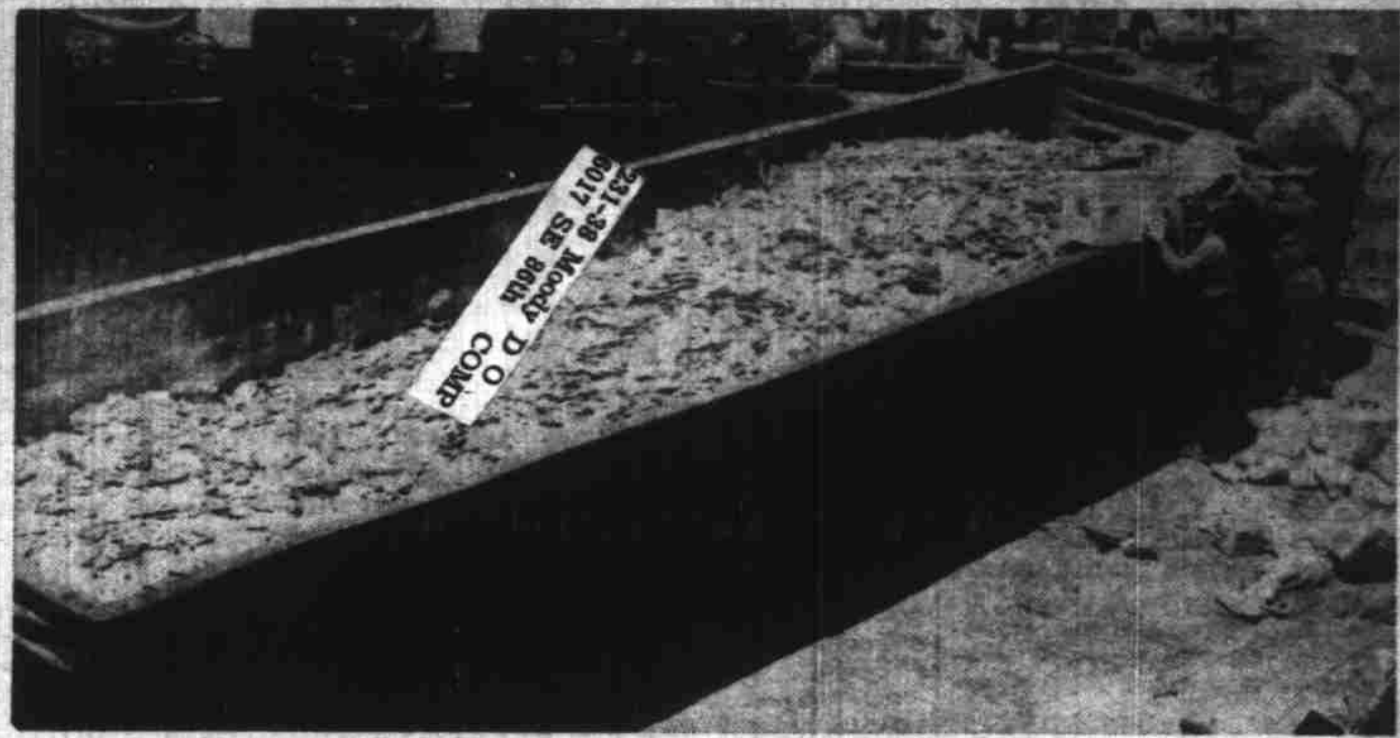
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Half done! Before Wednesday sunset this long gondola and another like it were filled and heaped up with the 80,000 pounds of cleaned tin cans...

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Tin Salvage Twice Former Collections

Tin cans totaling in weight approximately 80,000 pounds, more than twice the quantity gathered in the first collection here, moved into and through Salem Wednesday as the public schools of Marion, Polk and a portion of Yamhill counties gathered by school children, collected and loaded by trucks and drivers of members of the Oregon Bottlers' association.

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Pay-As-Go Deadlock Is Seen

Martin Holds Out For Original House Plan

WASHINGTON, May 19-(AP)—Pay-as-you-go income tax legislation was threatened Wednesday night with a deadlock, as republican leader Martin, of Massachusetts, champion of the modified Ruml skip-a-year plan, said he opposed any compromise.

"I am for no compromise," he told newspaper men. "I am still for the senate-approved Carlson-Ruml bill, and expect this bill finally to be passed."

Democrats remained rigid in their opposition to the Ruml proposal as modified in a bill by Rep. Carlson (R-Kas), and the firm opposing stands raised a question mark over the efforts of a house-senate conference committee which meets tomorrow in an effort to devise a compromise.

Defeat of the skip-a-year proposal reverberated earlier today in a declaration by Rep. Halleck (R-Ind) that the office of war information had spread propaganda against pay-as-you-go proposals.

OWI Director Elmer Davis responded: "I cannot understand what purpose Congressman Halleck intended to accomplish by his unfair charge, unless it was to coerce this office into withholding from the American people facts to which they are entitled."

These developments came as the pay-as-you-go issue became so confused that some legislators were predicting privately there would be no legislation at all, in time to become effective in 1943.

The house republicans apparently were planning to battle without letup for the Ruml-flavored senate bill, despite the threats of a veto by President Roosevelt.

The senate-house conference committee has been named to seek a compromise between the senate bill and the house-approved bill that would cancel out about 75 per cent of total 1942 income taxes, abating the bills of all persons below the second salary bracket.

Halleck's statement accused OWI (Turn to Page 2—Story E)

Young GOPs Meet Called

A meeting of the executive committee of the Young Republican club's federation of Oregon has been called by Chairman Sam Spear, at 1:30 Sunday afternoon at state republican headquarters, 201 Morgan building, Portland.

McNary Election Said Praiseworthy

PORTLAND, May 19-(AP)—Harold L. Vander, former law partner of Harold Stinson of Minnesota, told the Multnomah chapter of the Oregon Republican club Tuesday that Oregon should be congratulated for returning Charles L. McNary to the senate term after term.

Lewis Returns to 'Fold'; Jap Attu Force Trapped With Back to Chichagof

Surrender Or Death Face Nips

WASHINGTON, May 19-(AP)—Advancing United States troops appeared Wednesday night to be driving hard-pressed Japanese forces on Attu island into a pocket around Chichagof harbor, where they can only surrender or fight to the death.

The Aleutians trap set up last week by two American landing parties, one of which drove into Attu from the north and the other from the south, has been closed, a navy communique reported Wednesday. Forward patrols of the two units met south of Holtz bay.

Japanese positions on the bay's southeastern arm have been rendered virtually untenable and while exact course of the battle was not clear on the basis of reports made public by the navy, it was considered probable that the Japanese would draw most of their strength back to Chichagof if they have not already done so.

A navy communique reporting latest details of fighting in the westernmost of the Aleutian islands disclosed three developments:

1. Tuesday morning the American northern force which had landed a week earlier on the northwestern rim of Holtz bay "were in possession" of a high ridge southeast of the bay.

2. The southern force which had landed on the shores of Massacre bay advanced northward during the day through a pass which was held by enemy troops. Advance patrols from the Holtz and Massacre units joined.

3. Tuesday afternoon the pass was finally cleared of enemy troops which withdrew toward Chichagof harbor, leaving only snipers behind to retard the American advance.

Considerable significance was attached here to the fact that retreat was in the direction of Chichagof harbor rather than toward Holtz bay. Secretary Knox had said Tuesday that the enemy's main installations were in the Holtz bay area—obviously the place where they would make a stand if possible.

The fact that it probably was impossible was indicated in Wednesday's communique, which reported that high ground flanking Holtz bay positions had been captured by American troops after (Turn to Page 2—Story C)

Ex-Statesman Editor's Wife Dies in South

Mrs. Edesse Irvine, 74, widow of Clare B. Irvine, who was editor of The Statesman for a period in the early 1890's, died May 17 at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Ruby LeGuarda, in Los Angeles, according to word reaching Salem on Wednesday.

Clare Irvine edited The Statesman at a time when R. J. Hendricks was publisher but also was serving as superintendent of the boys' reform school. Irvine later was for a brief period editor of the Capital Journal, then started in 1897 a weekly newspaper called the Salem Sentinel, which he operated for several years.

Red Troops Shatter Nazi Defense Line

LONDON, Thursday, May 20 (AP)—Red army troops shattered two more Nazi attacks in the Caucasus Wednesday, killing nearly 350 troops and blasting 14 boatsloads of Nazis attempting to retreat over the Kuban river, the soviets announced early today.

Lunging out in an attack in the lower reaches of the Kuban, the Germans drove into a junction of Russian units, but lost nearly 200 dead and were forced to retreat, said the communique recorded by the soviet monitor.

"Surviving Hitlerites tried to escape on boats. Our artillery opened fire and sank 14 boats, the occupants of which were drowned."

Another tank-led German thrust northeast of Novorossisk against the soviet lines throttling the nazis tighter in their Caucasian bridgehead also was halted, with the enemy losing 150 dead and two tanks, the war bulletin added.

(The Caucasus was still the fiercest-fought battlefield, and a Moscow broadcast reported more than 500 German planes had been downed in air combats in the last three weeks alone.)

(The Germans would send 20 to 40 fighters and an equal number of bombers against Russian troops, but the soviets mustered more planes "which gradually began to oust the enemy aviation from the Kuban skies," said the broadcast, recorded by the Associated Press.)

(The Russians sent 200 bombers (Turn to Page 2—Story E)

Troops Labor To Stem Flood In Midwest

An army of troops and workmen labored yesterday (Wednesday) to bulwark levees and protect plants menaced by rampant rivers in a 500 mile wide flood zone in the midwest.

Engineers, coast guardsmen, and policemen joined hundreds of soldiers in patrolling and strengthening sea walls in the five state area where a dozen swollen streams halted operations in 50 mines, threatened factories and power units, broke through dikes and swished across thousands of acres of farm land.

About 2000 persons were homeless. Roads and bridges were closed and rail traffic was interrupted.

The floods were the most serious in a generation or longer in some sections, but the loss of life was comparatively small. Nine persons—five in Indiana, three in Missouri, and one in Oklahoma—were reported drowned.

Warnings that the worst floods in Oklahoma's history were impending drove hundreds from their homes in Arkansas and Verdigris river valleys. Manager Douglas G. Wright of the Grand river dam, significant federal hydro-electric project in northeastern Oklahoma, commented: "The greatest flood of all known records is pouring into the reservoirs."

UMW Asks For Charter With AF of L

By JOSEPH A. LOFTUS WASHINGTON, May 19-(AP)—John L. Lewis, the unpredictable, Wednesday night led his United Mine Workers back to the American Federation of Labor, which he tore asunder in labor's great schism eight years ago.

AFL President William Green disclosed the news in a matter-of-fact announcement that the UMW had made "formal application to the executive council for reaffiliation with the AFL" and that the council was considering it in an "orderly and sympathetic way."

Admittance Expected Thus Lewis was not yet actually back in the AFL fold, but it was considered a foregone conclusion that he would be readmitted since Green had repeatedly asked him to "come back home."

In New York, Lewis sent out word from his hotel suite, where he has been residing since the bituminous coal conferences began March 10, that he had no comment to make on Green's announcement.

Miners Approve A UMW spokesman said, however, that "apparently there has been general approval in the UMW" of the move.

When John Mates, a member of the UMW international executive board of district 9, read Green's statement, he remarked: "Oh, the secret is out."

Two Opponents Left The healing of this historic breach, however, still leaves two opposing national labor organizations, the AFL and CIO. Lewis led in the formation of the latter organization after he left the AFL in 1935 when AFL leaders could not see eye to eye with him on his plans for organizing workers by industries rather than crafts. But he and the United Mine Workers broke away from the CIO last year in a quarrel with Philip Murray, its president.

Walkouts Spread JOHNSTOWN, Pa., May 19-(AP)—Organizers of the United Mine Workers were directed Wednesday night to halt a spreading walkout of miners in central Pennsylvania as three more mines were shut down, bringing to more than 4,000 the number now out.

James Mark, district president, sent word to the organizers that he was coming personally from the New York conference of officials to take charge. Lewis Defied

The stoppages were in defiance of the extended truce order given by President John L. Lewis of the UMW, pending further negotiations for a new wage contract.

Siren Ban Causes Death

PORTLAND, May 19-(AP)—Hospital attendants said Wednesday that the taboo on ambulance sirens in Portland may have cost the life of Harry Erhart, Boring child.

The child, scarcely able to breathe from pneumonia, was brought to the hospital last night and was almost dead from lack of oxygen on arrival, and succumbed shortly afterward. The driver, Barney Buck, said he had to travel at moderate speed because a recent court decision had banned use of sirens on ambulances.

Named to Staff CORVALLIS, Ore., May 19-(AP)—Betty Lu Nixon, Salem; Margaret Buswell, Sherwood, and Virginia Carl, Woodburn, were named to staff positions on the Daily Banner, Oregon State college student newspaper.