

### Western Gold, Silver Mines May Reopen

DENVER, Aug. 3-(AP)—Immediate reopening of western gold and silver mines, higher prices for the two metals and retention of current prices on basic metals pending formation of a stockpiling program will be proposed by Colorado mining leaders at a meeting Aug. 10 in San Francisco, Robert S. Palmer, executive director of the state mining fund, said today.

Palmer will represent the Colorado mining industry at the session, which is expected to be attended by representatives from 11 western states.

### Saturday Is Deadline for WAVE Entries

Saturday, August 5, is the deadline for all applicants who wish to enroll for Hunter college, NY, with the first Salem WAVES platoon on August 20, A. C. Friesen, Salem navy recruiter has been notified from the WAVES enlistment headquarters in Portland.

There are still a few vacancies in the platoon, which will consist of 30 young women from the mid-Willamette valley area who will occupy all of the Oregon reservations on the WAVES special. Through special arrangement this platoon will remain together as a unit throughout the navy indoctrination training in New York.

Eligible young women who wish to take advantage of this opportunity to begin their navy life in company with friends and acquaintances from this area are urged by Friesen to make application today or tomorrow in room 220, post office building, Salem, in order that their enlistments may be completed in Portland next Monday. The office is open until 6 each evening, and later by appointment.

### Water Power Of Columbia Inexhaustible

PORTLAND, Aug. 3-(AP)—The potential water power of the Columbia river appears inexhaustible, a member of a Canadian-US river commission said here today after a 2000-mile tour of the Columbia basin.

The party, headed by A. O. Stanley, former governor and senator of Kentucky, and Roger McWhorter, chief engineer for the federal power commission, made an extensive 19-day survey of development possibilities of the river and its tributaries.

Starting at the river source at Columbia lake, British Columbia, they traced its route through Canada, Idaho, Washington and Oregon. Stanley called the tour "the most exhaustive survey made on any river."

Victor Meek, chief of the domain water and power bureau, and F. G. Goodspeed, supervising engineer of the Canadian department of public works, were in the party.

### Henry Fox Heads South

Henry Fox, son of Dr. and Mrs. Irving Fox has left for the youth camp in Southern California at One Thousand Pines. He is the guest delegate, representing the Baptist young people of this state at the Southern California conference. Young Fox was chosen as a representative by the Oregon Youth group of 200, at Arrahanna at Mt. Hood recently.

The delegate will spend a few days in Los Angeles on his way to the conference, and will stop off in San Francisco enroute home late in August. Fox was a student at Willamette university the past year.

CAN YOU TOP THIS? CAPETOWN-(AP)—A hat shortage has led to a hat-snatching epidemic in Capetown and it seems no one is immune. Among the recent victims was the chief constable of the Capetown police whose headpiece was snatched less than 100 yards from police headquarters.

### "Sgt. York" of Brittany Kills Six Germans, Captures 28

WITH AMERICAN TROOPS AT RENNES, France, Aug. 3-(AP) The "Sergeant York" of Brittany is a 29-year-old doughboy private who in the last 48 hours has killed six Germans, captured 28 and voluntarily made two trips blindfolded into a Nazi command post trying to get the last enemy force defending Rennes to surrender.

And all the time he was lost from his own unit and worried over being listed as AWOL. I met Pvt. Donald L. McKay, 222 West 80 St., Grand Island, Neb., this afternoon as he walked back with Pvt. Art Kallman, interpreter, of 234 East 29th St., Erie, Pa., from the enemy command post after twice risking his life trying to get the Nazis to abandon their futile last-ditch defense. (The Americans have captured Rennes.)

Wait for Answer We were lying in a ditch two miles outside the town waiting for them to return with the German answer to American terms of unconditional surrender. They had gone alone into the last small village at the edge of this one-time capital of independent Brittany to contact the Nazis and warn the French to leave the area.

"They still want to make a fight of it," said McKay, a tall, slim soldier with a blond moustache. "They can have a fight then," said Lt. Col. William "Wild Bill" Bailey, Danville, Va., task commander. "We will blow some sense into them."

Shells Found Nazis A few minutes later American artillery shells thudded into the Nazi positions as infantry moved forward to clear a path for the entrance into this chief railroad center in Brittany.

McKay told how, single handed, he tied up and knocked out some enemy resistance in the Rennes area while trying to find his way back to his unit.

"I don't know how my commander is going to feel about all this," he said dubiously. "Yesterday I was caught in an acre of high grass by a German outfit. They were spraying bullets everywhere and I had to pick my spots and keep moving to keep from being killed."

Officer Surrenders "I picked off two of them with my rifle. Then I saw two Germans lying by a machinegun. I shot and hit one, breaking his back. That unnerved the other, an officer, and he stood up and waved a white handkerchief."

"He didn't have any real idea how many of our men were in that acre of grass—certainly he didn't know that I was the only one—and I made him surrender all his men before I stood up."

"I didn't know there was anybody else around but as soon as the Germans started yelling kameras, a bunch of French civilians came running up and helped me disarm them. I had 22 pistols tied on a tent rope. The French insisted on carrying them."

Watches 30 Prisoners "As I was marching the prisoners back in a double column, the first ones started going fast as the back ones lagged in order to stretch out the column so they could try to escape. There were 30 of them and it was some job for one man to watch them."

"Four made a break for it. They made the mistake of bunching together and I just picked them off as they ran. I killed three and shot the other in his tail—and nobody else tried to get away."

After delivering his 27 prisoners McKay started out again to look for his unit and got to the outskirts of Rennes.

After climbing a railroad embankment, he saw a German helmet.

Shoots Helmet "I fired with my pistol and hit the helmet," he said. "And somebody with a German accent shouted, 'Don't do that.'"

"Then a dozen Germans stood up. They had me covered from several angles with every type of weapon. I hollered at them in German, 'Come out on this road and surrender.'"

"They just laughed at me. One said, 'No shoot' and I said, 'No shoot' and the whole dozen came forward to talk."

McKay tried to argue them into giving up but they said they had orders to fight on. He finally "agreed" to go blindfolded to their command post to talk over surrender terms with an English-speaking officer, but he wasn't there. McKay insisted they let him go, promising to return in an hour. They gave him a pass through their lines.

Goes Back Again He went to Col. Bailey, picked up Kallmann who volunteered as an interpreter and started back.

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They were shot at a couple of times by snipers but after Kallmann shouted, "Safe conduct," the firing ceased.

"The same soldiers met us and we were led blindfolded to a German command post," said McKay. "It was dug way down. I counted three flights of stairs going to it. Their lieutenant colonel asked 'What is it you wish of us?' and I said 'It will save many German and American lives if you give up now. It will avoid much bloodshed and death.'"

"That is war," he answered. "But we will go through you anyway," I told him.

"You will go through us you think," he said. "You go back and tell your commanding officer that we have our orders to stay and that he can try to come through us any time he wants. You are good soldiers—but we are better."

"He complimented us on our nerve before we left."

"What worries me is what my buddies will think," said McKay. "I don't want them or my officers to think I am a straggler."

"You stay with us," said the colonel with a grin. "I think I can fix things up with your commander."

### Montreal Has Strike Woes

MONTREAL, Aug. 3-(AP)—Montreal took the first day of its latest strike of streetcar and bus operators in stride today, with thousands going to and from their regular occupations in automobiles and trucks, on bicycles and afoot.

What developments were going on behind the scenes remained obscure. While provincial government officials expressed hope that the walkout might terminate today, tramway spokesmen remained silent and officials of the Canadian brotherhood of railway employees said "nothing has been done" toward a settlement.

The strike, which started at midnight last night after a breakdown of conferences seeking a solution to the dispute over union demands for a union shop, was completely effective throughout the day. No attempt was made to take out a tram or bus.

### Albert Gore Leads in Vote

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 3-(AP) Rep. Albert Gore, who asked fourth congressional district democrats to send him either back to congress or into the army, held a substantial lead over his war veteran opponent on the basis of unofficial returns from today's party primary.

Returns from 78 out of 287 precincts gave Gore 4753 votes to 2029 for W. H. Turner. When selective service started drafting fathers, 37-year-old Gore was sworn into the army, then yielded to a request by President Roosevelt that he accept reserve status and continue to serve in congress. After Turner raised the question of his military status, Gore announced he would leave the decision to the voters.

CITY LOSES BUILDING CODE SALISBURY, Md.,-(AP)—City officials were embarrassed when they could not find the original copy of their building code adopted 18 years ago and were forced to drop a court case to enforce a certain provision. Though a number of printed copies are in existence, there is no legal proof that the ordinance ever was adopted. A new one is being prepared.

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### Washington's Writings Sent State Library

Sen. Guy Cordon has sent to the Oregon state library the writings of George Washington from the original sources. This 37-volume work is the definitive set of all written and printed words of George Washington.

There have been only two previous editions of Washington's writings, supposedly complete. One was published 100 years ago in a 12-volume edition under the editorship of Jared Sparks. The second edition was one by Worthington C. Ford which appeared 42 years ago.

### War Worker In 4-F Class Prefers Jail

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 3-(AP)—Determined to win his fight to break into jail, a sandy-haired, 4-F war worker told federal officers today he had committed a long list of offenses because he preferred a prison sentence to public curiosity.

Rejected by every branch of the service, Claude Chancey, jr., 23, Selman, Okla., said he did his best to be arrested—and finally was—although he found it a bit difficult.

Chancey said, "I'd rather be in the penitentiary than have folks wonder why I wasn't in uniform." The impatient man was disappointed when a United States com-

missioner held him to the October grand jury on a Dyer act charge and asked: "Can't the judge dispose of me sooner than that?" Chancey said he stole a car in Nashville, Tenn., and transported it into Kentucky, where he whizzed through county after county, hoping to be arrested; bought gasoline without coupons but wasn't reported, drove up and down one-way streets and ran red lights for two hours with no results. He was arrested after he had made a U-turn in front of a police car in downtown Louisville.

Albany Hogs Live On Cornflakes & Cream ALBANY, Ore., Aug. 3-(AP)—Hogs owned by an Albany meat company are getting well-balanced breakfasts these days—although the cornflakes may be a bit soggy and the cream rather sour. The company bought the corn-

flakes recently from a wholesaler who had seven tons he couldn't sell to retailers. The cream was bought from a milk canner several years ago when fire destroyed the building in which the cream was stored. The two ingredients are mixed by the meat firm and used to fatten hogs.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.,-(AP)—Three cartloads of police departed hastily early today for a tavern when its burglar alarm flashed a signal at headquarters.

"Another liquor robbery" they surmised, recalling the five previous thefts reported by the tavern in eight months.

But when they arrived they were greeted by the owner. He has bought the place the day before and had unlocked the door, he explained, forgetting the previous owner's caution about the alarm.

### Employees Buy Many Bonds

Since the payroll deduction program for state employees was launched in February, 1942, a total of \$1,010,820 in war bonds has been purchased through this plan by state employees, Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, jr., reported Thursday.

More than 2500 state employees are enrolled in the monthly payroll deduction program.

During the fifth war loan drive a total of \$175,092 in war bonds was issued to state employees from the war bond department of the secretary of state's office and approximately \$300,000 more in war bonds were purchased by employees from other agencies.

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