

# Washington Outlook

By the Washington Staff of The Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23 (AP)—Pressure of war is leaving the Chungking government in China ever closer to some kind of a working agreement with its strongest domestic element of dissension, the so-called communist regime in northwest China.

The reds say they have half a million trained troops who lack only equipment to fight the Japanese on a broad front. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has had only nominal loyalty from the communists since the war with Japan began in 1937. On the other hand, he has given them no arms, no real voice in the government and has kept central government troops watching their borders.

Chiang's armies have had to retreat before the latest Japanese advance and have been unable to avert sacrifice of the big American airbase near Kweilin. Another base is threatened at Luichow, farther south.

This situation is receiving much attention in Washington, for it is generally held that an allied victory over Japan could be seriously delayed if the Japanese succeeded in splitting China in two. It is understood that both Vice President Wallace and WPB Chairman Donald Nelson have urged Chiang to broaden his government.

Among signs that American influence may be taking effect is a relaxation of Chungking's stringent censorship and a report that Chiang has accepted a war production plan worked out by Nelson.

Not much can be done about China's desperate economic plight until after the war, but it is generally conceded that recovery, either now or in the future, depends upon a solution of China's internal political dilemma, in which the Kuomintang-communist rift is the keylog in the jam.

## Little Steel Fight Enters Showdown Stage

No CIO compromise — Labor's fight to break the little steel formula, spearheaded by CIO steelworkers demanding an increase of 17 cents an hour, enters the showdown stage this coming week in a series of public hearings before the war labor board.

Indications are that the board will incorporate some of the steel workers' demands in a new wage policy it will propose for use when V-E day comes.

This policy is expected to call for an 8 per cent base rate increase for a 40-hour week, figured on current average earnings for 48 hours of work, including overtime. . . . but board sources have learned informally that such a "reconversion solution" will not be acceptable to CIO because of CIO "prestige" is involved in larger demands.

## Two Nisei Convicted For Draft Evasion

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 23 (AP)—Yutaka Frank Maruhashi, 21, and George Nakagawa, 18, both of Seattle, today were added to the list of Japanese-American residents of the Minidoka relocation center at Hunt convicted by federal court juries of draft evasion.

Today's trials brought to 29 the number of Nisei convicted of the 35 indicted.

Water cisterns built by the ancient Romans are used for modern apartment buildings in Philippeville, Algeria.

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# ON THE HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS



SUSAN GRAHAM

Today she will have 100 candles on her cake.

When Susan Graham was born, back in New Philadelphia, Ohio, Sept. 24, 1844, John Quincy Adams, the nation's sixth president, was getting along in years and John Tyler was in the White House.

The steamship and the steam locomotive were so new as to be subjects of rumor. When she was three years old the United States issued its first adhesive postage stamp.

Susan was four years of age when gold was discovered in California, and was in school when the fugitive slave law and Henry Clay's compromise resolutions were passed. She was 15 years old by the time John Brown raided Harper's ferry.

The year of the Lewis and Clark Centennial exposition (1905) she and her husband and daughter moved to Salem.

In 1908 Charles Graham died, but his widow and daughter, Miss Emma Graham, continued to live at the 959 South 12th street residence. Five years ago the daughter, widely known here as a music teacher, died, and Mrs. Graham was alone.

Alone, that is, except for a nephew and niece (Charles H. McDonough and Jessie Williams in Salem; Dr. Ruth Dougherty Benson is the daughter of a niece, and still other nieces live in other Oregon cities), she retained her interest in the Baptist church.

When the Salem Deaconess hospital, where she has resided the past year, held its staff birthday party last week she was a guest, and I went out to see her. She wears no glasses over her bright

eyes, but admits she does not see well. Her hearing while not sharp is about as good as mine. Fact is, she LOOKS something like a newspaperwoman, with an eyeshade tipped over her white hair. She still has her own teeth, and although she uses a crutch when she walks, she does walk.

A century old, she is not at all sure she isn't really enjoying life — there has been so much of it to remember, not the slave acts, nor even the Civil war stand out in her mind — she is recalling what a good farmer her father was, what fine horses he had, and the way the Iowa prairies look at sunset.

## Chinese Yield Burma Road Town to Enemy

CHUNGKING, Sunday, Sept. 24 (AP)—Several Chinese positions east of the Burma road town of Mangshih in Yunnan province have been given up in the face of numerous attacks by reinforced Japanese troops equipped with artillery, the Chinese high command said today.

Most of the attacks were repulsed, with an estimated 550 Japanese casualties incurred in the past three days, a high command communique declared. Fairly strong enemy forces have entered Pingka, 22 miles southeast of Mangshih.

The Japanese were reported still preparing defensive positions in the vicinity of Mangshih, while only minor action occurred in the Lungling sector to the northeast.

## Ed Smith Leads Farm Group Against FDR

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23 (AP)—The new "national agricultural committee" of the anti-Roosevelt democrats appealed to farmers today to vote against a fourth term in November, asserting such votes would help in "recapturing the government from the domination of un-American visionaries."

The group formed here yesterday under the chairmanship of 80-year-old Senator Eddison D. (Cotton Ed) Smith of South Carolina concluded a two-day session by adopting a resolution urging rural voters "to join in defeating the fourth term" and in "smashing the vicious control of the new dealers."

Less than a dozen attended the sessions.

# Blind Reedsport Girl Crosses Country to Wed Overseas Vet

KANSAS CITY, Kansas, Sept. 23 (AP)—A 21-year-old sightless girl with only one arm, who came here yesterday, unaccompanied, by train from her home in Reedsport, Ore., and an army private just returned from three years overseas, were married today by a judge at the county courthouse.

The bride is Miss Vina Baldwin, small blonde with a disarming smile. Her husband is Pvt. Foster Pierson, 30, of Independence, Mo., who must report to Jefferson Barracks, Mo., by October 14. The ceremony was read by Judge Clark E. Tucker.

The bride wore a wedding dress of blue silk with a white flower on the shoulder — a gift from Pierson while he was in Hawaii. They plan a brief honeymoon here and if he can arrange it, he will accompany her to the home of her

parents in Oregon before returning to active duty.

The couple met five years ago while Pierson was working in her home town of Camas Valley, Ore. It was there that the bride lost her sight and hand when she was four years while playing with dynamite caps left around the house.

# Thumbnail Of War!

By the Associated Press

Western Europe—British troop contact air-borne "lost division" in Holland, more reinforcements flown in; US 3rd army captures Burville, 30 miles east of Nancy, in six-mile push; Breton port of Brest falls.

Italy—British 8th advances onto plains of river Po; Americans smash center of Gothic line and look down on Po valley.

Russian Front—Soviets reach west coast of Estonia, trap thousands of Germans; other units open big push at Hungarian border; Finns attack Germans 300 miles north of Helsinki.

Pacific—New gains on Peleliu give marines three-fourths of the strategic islands; bombers strike at Bornoe.

## THE ROAD TO BERLIN

1. Western front: 305 miles (from Arnheim).
2. Russian front: 310 miles (from Warsaw).
3. Italian front: 580 miles (from south of Bologna).

## European War Flashback

(By the Associated Press)

Sept. 24, 1915—British and French troops north and south of St. Quentin on a seven-mile front made substantial gains. Bulgarian armies retreated in disorder as allies advanced on a 20-mile front in Macedonia. British cavalry occupied Haifa and Acre in Palestine, trapping thousands of Turks east of the River Jordan.

Sept. 24, 1940—Gibraltar attacked by large squadrons of planes from Morocco, mostly French; British planes and anti-aircraft defenses repel two large squads of German raiders seeking to bomb London.

# WFA to Buy '44 Wheat at Parity Prices

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23 (AP)—War Food Administrator Marvin Jones tonight announced the WFA will buy from producers at parity prices less carrying charges to the end of the storage year all unredemmed 1944 crop wheat which is under loan May 1, 1945.

Jones said the wheat parity price was the 1944 loan rate plus 15 cents a bushel.

Latest figures showed that the wheat parity price on August 15 was \$1.50 a bushel.

## Wolverines Defeat Marquette '11, 14-0

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 23 (AP)—Two last half Michigan drives of 69 and 87 yards brought the Wolverines a 14-0 victory tonight over Marquette in the teams' first meeting in 35 years.



Costumed

This bearded, bewigged dramatist, clad in ceremonial costume, took part in the formal installation of a new mayor in Florence, Italy. (AP Wirephoto)

## Pennant Derby Glance:

(By the Associated Press)

Team	W	L	Pct.	Games	To
Detroit	33	33	.500	—	—
St. Louis	32	34	.485	3 1/2	1
New York	29	35	.450	3 1/2	4

Remaining games: Detroit — Home, Boston (1), Philadelphia (3), Washington (4). Away, none. St. Louis — Home, Philadelphia (1), Boston (3), New York (4). Away, none. New York — Home, none. Away, Cleveland (1), Chicago (4), St. Louis (4).

## Asks Divorce From Killer of Daughter

OREGON CITY, Ore., Sept. 23 (AP)—Mildred M. Henderson filed a divorce action today against Winfield L. Henderson, former Sherwood district farmer who recently was sentenced to life imprisonment for the fatal shooting of their daughter. They were married in 1921.

## Authority on Deafness Here



Mr. James N. Taft, with long experience on hard of hearing problems, will conduct a free clinic for the hard of hearing at Salem's Hearing Aid Headquarters, Acousticon Institute, 905 First National Bank Bldg. —Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 27th and 28th, from 9:30 to 6:00 P. M. Mr. Taft takes an understanding interest in helping the hard of hearing, and is well qualified to make scientifically correct fittings of bone and air conduction instruments. The new Acousticon Speech-Hearing Test will be given free as well as a private demonstration of the new Symphonic Acousticon hearing aid which is based on U. S. Government findings, and made by America's oldest hearing aid manufacturer. Simply call at our Hearing Aid Office, at time mentioned above. Evening appointment for a demonstration may be had by phoning Salem 3636 on above date.

# Here's a Real Case Of Fisherman's Luck

BEND, Sept. 23 (AP)—A fisherman who lost his wallet in the Columbia river has it back today.

W. E. Orr dropped the wallet near Troutdale on the Oregon side of the bank. Two days later another sportsman retrieved it 35 miles downstream on the Washington side of the river.

He was one of Orr's personal friends.

# Mrs. Walter Denton

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# Horse Show Listed

LA GRANDE, Ore., Sept. 23 (AP) The Mavericks, La Grande riding club, will sponsor their third annual Union county horse show here Sept. 27. Riders from Union, Elgin and Baker have entered.

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