

Decisions Most Worrysome Part of War Mobilizer Job; Nip Peace Feelers Expected

By the Washington Staff of the Associated Press
WASHINGTON, April 7-(AP)—When War Mobilizer James F. Byrnes submitted his resignation to President Roosevelt, he told the president to illustrate how he felt:

A South Carolina farmer hired a man to dig postholes. The fellow cleaned up the job in jig-time, came back next day and cleared stumps in record order. The third day the farmer rewarded him with an easy job—sorting good and bad potatoes. After about three hours the chap fainted. Revived, he explained: "Oh, the job was easy enough—but those damn decisions just mowed me down!"

Embarrassing: Some U.S. corporations which wrote off their European branch plants as war losses in 1941 and got income tax credit for them, have discovered that their property is undamaged after all. Unless congress takes pity, these firms will have to pay a lot more tax on "recovering" the property than they saved by "losing" it.

Dove Over Stockholm? Stockholm rumor-factories will bear watching now for Japanese peace feelers. There's a growing colony of Nipponese diplomats in the Swedish capital who have chosen to flee there instead of to Switzerland from Hitler's crumbling fortress.

Why the oriental striped-pants boys are by-passing Switzerland is not clear, but it may be because Stockholm is nearer Russia.

Foreknowledge of Russia's recent denunciation of the Russo-Japanese neutrality pact was considered here to have been a factor in the resignation of the Koiso cabinet in Tokyo. Early indications were that its successor might be the much-predicted peace cabinet.

If things work out that way, the Japanese at Stockholm might have to carry the ball on two big plays—placating Russia and engineering peace with the U.S. and Britain.

Battleship Re-established: The aircraft carrier may be "queen of the fleet," but this war will wind up with the battleship firmly re-established as the "king."

Naval men returning from the Pacific are sold on the battleship, not only as a potent destroyer of enemy ships and a valuable aid to landing operations, but as a protector of the carriers.

Some of the most ardent admirers are airmen who, right after Pearl Harbor, scoffed at the battlewagons as obsolete.

Break for Yachtsmen: Small boat owners may look forward to operating with considerably more freedom this summer.

Licensed skippers of small craft no longer will have to file information in advance about contemplated movements in their licensed areas. But they'll still have to carry identification papers and paint large wartime identification numbers on hull and topside.

Patrol to Go On: The wartime system of harbor and inshore patrols within the three-mile limit by coast guard reservists will be continued through the summer.

Get In Early, Boys: Civil aeronautics administration is advising air-minded communities that will be needing airports after the war to buy up acreage now. CAA warns that there will be a sharp increase in demands for land, principally for housing, and bidding will drive prices higher.

For the Flight Age: CAA technicians have borrowed a helicopter from the army's air technical service command. They want to become familiar with the rotating devices so that they'll know how to certify pilots.

Myth Exploded: The marines



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say that old wheeze about "gentlemen" preferring blondes isn't necessarily true any more. They've discovered walls of captured Japanese barracks plastered with pictures of Hollywood's leading fair-haired cuties. The Nips often fake affectionate greetings to themselves on the pictures.

Falls City Has Club Meeting

FALLS CITY — The Loyal Women of the Christian church met with Mrs. Laura Horn Thursday. The rooms were beautiful with spring flowers. A large basket of daffodils added to the decoration. Mrs. Alma Freer had charge of the meeting, devotionals were led by Mrs. Richard Paul. Assistant hostesses were Mrs. Richard Paul and Mrs. John Calavan.

Women of the Adventist church met with Marie Teal Thursday and organized a social club. Laura Simons was elected president and Maybelle Barnett, secretary. Other members are Mary Simons, Mrs. Tom Murphy, Ila Logan, Mrs. Clyde Sample, Mrs. Bob Sturdivant and Nellie Lee.

Presbyterians Elect Mill City Officers

MILL CITY—A congregational meeting was held at the Presbyterian church Monday after a 6:30 covered dish dinner. J. P. Smith presided at the meeting with Mrs. W. W. Allep, clerk.

All officers were re-elected for the coming year starting April 1. Reports were given by all departments of the church and by Mrs. Harry Mason, secretary-treasurer of the Sunday school and Mrs. Herbert Schroeder, secretary-treasurer of the church.

Hathaways Take Place At Mill City

MILL CITY—Mrs. Dean Stephens and two sons have returned to the home of her husbands parents, Rev. and Mrs. Claude Stephens. She has been visiting her brother, Harold Bates at Westfir and plans to return there in a few weeks. Her husband is with the army in France.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hathaway and family have moved to the house owned by Mrs. Otto Geartsen. They formerly lived in Salem and is employed now by the Mill City Manufacturing Co., at the camp.

Lela Mae Needham of Portland spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Mabel Needham at the W. E. Shuey home.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Howe were his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Lohman and Shelda of Longview, Wash.

Mrs. Earl Plymale underwent an operation Wednesday at a Salem hospital.

Mrs. Louis Slaton left Friday for her home in San Francisco after several weeks with her father, Charlie Porter.

Mrs. Ed Bertram returned Monday from a five day visit with her daughter, Mrs. Ione Goode and children in Salem. Billy Goode who has been ill is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Rite and two little sons of Scio have moved to the house recently vacated by the J. L. Linville family. Linville's moved into the house purchased from Sam Wilson last fall.

Mrs. Clifford Reeves is in Denver, Colo., her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Teal, have learned. She is with her husband who is stationed there. He expects to be sent to Texas soon and she will go with him.

Mrs. Billie Scott Arnold of Salem was in Mill City Monday. Mrs. Stanley Chance of Portland spent Easter with her mother, Mrs. Una Chance.

Released From Army

SILVERTON — Marshall Sater arrived home Thursday from Ft. Lewis. He was inducted about five weeks ago, and spent almost his entire time in the hospital. He was given a medical discharge because of asthma.

It was not until almost a century after Cortes had introduced the cacao bean into Spain that an Italian learned the secret of making chocolate.

Jefferson Play To Be Presented In Gymnasium

JEFFERSON—The student body play, "No Man's Paradise," a three act comedy, will be presented in the school gymnasium Thursday night, April 12.

The setting is the parlor of No Man's Paradise, summer hotel in the mountains of Wyoming.

The cast of characters includes: Barbara Miller takes the part of Harriet Andrews; Mary Jo Baxter, Louise Gordon; Vera Glaser, Violet Schipp; LaVon Kelly, Marie Vanderburgh; Betty Sherman, Betty Morrow; Marian Ray, Margery Harris; Mary Lou Eliason, Mollie Mason; Sara Hutchings, Honora Hazzard, the chaperone; Iona Rothrock, Mrs. Pfeffer, owner of No Man's Paradise hotel;

Arlene McDonald, Beulah Burton, from a neighboring ranch; Carolyn Gilmore, as Carbona, the "cleaning" and general utility woman. Beverly Lambert is directing the play.

Mill City Mission Groups Have Meetings With Special Program

MILL CITY — The Missionary society of the Church of Christ met Wednesday with Mrs. Ed Haynes. Mrs. Haynes was leader and used as her topic "The Netherlands East Indies."

The Missionary society of the Presbyterian church met Wednesday with Mrs. Eva Duffy. Mrs. James Swan is president of the group. Mrs. J. P. Smith was leader for the afternoon, using as her topic "Japan" and "City of Industrial Work." Fifteen were present.

Fuestman Sells Bethel Dairy Farm

BETHEL—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Fuestman, residents of this district for 33 years, have sold their 70 acre farm to Nile W. Hilborn of route five and will move from the farm as soon as they have located a new home. A public auction will be held Thursday, April 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilborn will continue to live in their home on the Macleay highway and rent the new farm. Modernization of the new farm will be begun immediately.

Hilborn has also purchased the dairy farm known as the W. M. Froehlich place. His brother, Dale Hilborn, will live on this farm. About 18 months ago Mr. and Mrs. Froehlich sold this farm to

Edward Haisch, Portland dairyman, who planned to move his dairy here but changed plans, remaining in Portland. The place has been unoccupied since that time.

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