

# TRUMAN TO SEIZE OIL PLANTS

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### Nips Seek To Barter For Food

#### Jap Communists Tell of Program To Oust Mikado

TOKYO, Thursday, Oct. 4 (AP)—Japan planned today to ask world-wide aid through the barter system to dispel the black threat of winter hunger in the war-wrecked nation, and Japanese communists said their party wants to "rid the country of mikadoism."

Nipponese newsmen, taking full advantage of General MacArthur's order freeing the Japanese press, turned light on conditions in the country's prisons where leaders of communist and liberal political thought were tortured.

The Domei news agency reported Japan would soon ask the allies for permission to trade silk and rayon for the foodstuffs of other nations.

The Japanese already have asked allied occupation headquarters for permission to receive salt and rice from Korea in exchange for about 75,000 tons of coal to be delivered monthly from Kyushu island mines in south Japan.

Domei Reporter Tay Tateishi told of visiting the Fuchu prison 13 miles west of Tokyo and interviewing Kyushi Tokuda, Shiro Matamura and Yoshio Shiga, Japanese communists, who said they were eager for the allies to order their release.

### Pan-American Conclave at Rio Falls Through

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3 (AP)—The United States led the western hemisphere today in delivering a new diplomatic slap at the military clique which is governing Argentina.

The U. S. recommended: 1. That the inter-American conference scheduled to open Oct. 20 at Rio De Janeiro—with Argentina participating—be postponed. (A dispatch from Brazil tonight said the conference had been postponed.)

2. That the other American republics proceed without Argentina to draft a hemisphere defense treaty—the object of the Rio conference—and to sign it at the Brazilian capital "at the earliest possible moment."

3. That the other American republics carry on consultations "in respect to the Argentine situation."

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 3 (AP)—Police began withdrawing tonight from positions around Buenos Aires universities, where hundreds of students and professors had barricaded themselves in a protest against reimposition of a national state of siege by Argentina's military regime.

Unofficial sources said the withdrawal order, allowing the students and professors to leave the buildings without incident, was issued to avoid possible outbreaks of violence during the night.

### \$6 Billion Tax Cut Discussed

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3 (AP)—Prospects developed that congress may provide 1946 tax cuts for individuals and business approaching \$6,000,000,000—almost a billion more than the administration recommended.

The house ways and means committee, after voting individual relief of \$2,500,000,000, against a treasury request of \$2,065,000,000, tackled the slicing of corporation burdens.

Today's session broke up without a vote on a motion by Rep. Robertson (D-Va) to repeal the 25 per cent wartime excess profits tax, which would ease the burden on corporations by \$2,555,000,000.

## President Calls on World Peace Meetings To Outlaw Atomic Bomb

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3 (AP)—President Truman today called on the world to outlaw the atomic bomb, and urged congress to create a commission with unprecedented power to promote the use of atomic power for the welfare of humanity.

At the same time, he emphasized that he intended to keep the bomb secret while discussing with other powers agreements to use the "revolutionary" new knowledge for "peaceful and humanitarian ends."

In a message to congress, he said that unless arrangements can be made for international collaboration, the world may witness a "desperate armament race which might well end in disaster."

The message dealt primarily with the recommendation that congress authorize a U. S. atomic emergency commission to control domestic sources and the development of atomic energy for industrial uses.

The war department and congress moved swiftly to act on the president's recommendations for the commission. Chairman May (D-Ky) of the house military committee, and Senator Johnson (D-Colo.), acting chairman of the senate military committee, introduced legislation to

carry out Mr. Truman's request.

The bill was sent to them by Secretary of War Patterson with a plea for immediate action. Patterson said the misuse of atomic energy "by design or through ignorance, may inflict incalculable disaster upon the nation, destroy the general welfare, imperil the national safety and endanger world peace."

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## Russia Asks 4-Power Control Council to Replace MacArthur

### Byrnes Given Red Demands

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3 (AP)—Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson said today the United States was moving to regularize and make effective a system of consultations with the major allies on the governing of Japan.

Acheson was asked at his news conference whether a statement by Secretary of State Byrnes on Japanese policy revised the original directive sent to General Douglas MacArthur.

Byrnes had said in London that the United States would agree to establishment of a far eastern commission to formulate allied Japanese policy.

### General Patton Defends Action in Bavaria

BAD TOELZ, Germany, Oct. 3 (AP)—Gen. George S. Patton, jr., a fighting man relegated to a desk job with a "paper army" after charges that he was slow about demoralizing Bavaria, said today he still believed he had carried out his chief's orders with "vigor and loyalty."

Relieved by Gen. Eisenhower of command of his beloved, famed Third Army which he led to victories from France to Czechoslovakia, Patton was pleasant and smiling, as he met correspondents today, accepting the change with soldierly discipline.

He said he "welcomed" command of the 15th army to which Eisenhower transferred him "though the 15th is a military skeleton, a headquarters staff and a few special troops."

### Aid Proposed For Vets' Taxes

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3 (AP)—Two plans to help servicemen and veterans with their income taxes were suggested today.

Sen. Johnson (D-SC) introduced a bill to forgive or refund all income taxes for servicemen from Dec. 7, 1941, until the war is officially ended.

The American Legion urged congress to pass legislation which would cancel all delinquent income taxes owed by members of the armed service. The Legion proposal would affect enlisted men and junior commissioned officers (below the rank of major).

### Grand Jury Refuses To Indict Pullman

Robert Theodore Pullman will face no charge because of his young wife's death from shotgun wounds. A Marion county grand jury had today refused to indict Pullman on a charge of assault while armed with a dangerous weapon.

### Cubs Cop Series Opener; Trucks Vs Wyse Today

Henry (Hank) Wyse, a 22-game winner during the season for the Chicago Cubs, and Virgil (Fire) Trucks, fastballing righthander recently discharged from the armed forces and prewar member of the Detroit Tigers, will oppose each other on the mound today in the second game of the world series at Detroit. The game starts at 1:30 p. m. (EST).

Chicago won yesterday's opening game of the classic by submerging the American league champions 9-0. Hank Borowy was the winning pitcher, Hal Newhouser the loser. (Complete details on today's sport page.)

### Chinese Proud Of Pen Used to Sign Surrender

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 3 (AP)—There is a Chinese here who is mighty proud of his fountain pen. Y. C. Woo, resident executive director of the Bank of Canton, presented Admiral Nimitz with a fountain pen as a parting gift just before the admiral returned to sea shortly after Pearl Harbor.

Laughingly he said, "when you have defeated Japan, you can sign the peace treaty with it."

Last Tuesday, Nimitz returned to San Francisco for the first time since the victory over Japan.

Woo visited him in his hotel suite. The admiral reached into his pocket.

"Here is a souvenir I brought back to you from Tokyo bay," he said. "I did what you asked me to and signed the peace treaty between the United States and Japan."

### Nazis Planned Slow Death By Poison for Allied Troops

LONDON, Oct. 3 (AP)—Slow death by poisoning as medicine "for bandits that may come to the stretcher (first aid station) for medical treatment. Pills, capsules are to be prepared."

The paper, which reported the proceedings of a conference of official chemical experts at the Berlin secret police institute, also advocated accumulation of drugs which "could be injected into food substances by means of hypodermic syringes, for example, the injection of doryl into a sausage."

The Nazi designated to lead the poison experts was identified in the paper as Feldwebel Lehnert. It was he, the reports indicated, who put forward the requirement that the poison should work slowly not taking full effect until hours or even days after its introduction into the body.

### U.S. to Consult Allied Nations

LONDON, Oct. 3 (AP)—A Russian demand that Gen. MacArthur's rule in Japan be replaced by a four-power control government was presented to the United States during the last hours of the conference of foreign ministers, the Moscow radio declared today.

The demand, it said, was made in a letter handed to U. S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes yesterday as the foreign ministers of the five leading Allied powers, deadlocked over procedure, ended unsuccessfully their first attempt to write a European peace.

The Big 3 foreign ministers separately expressed confidence that ultimate agreement would be reached on peace treaties for Europe.

Byrnes and Molotov brought in to the open a disagreement over whether the Big Three had agreed at Potsdam that all five principal powers could participate in discussions of foreign peace treaties.

That was the issue which deadlocked the conference.

### Blaze Sweeps Benton County Timber Tracts

PHILOMATH, Ore., Oct. 3 (AP)—A crown-fire swept through timber holdings of the Rex Clemens company in Hayden creek sector of Benton county tonight and foresters called all men in the vicinity onto fire lines.

Reports indicated the blaze started in slashings, quickly jumped to the tree tops and was spreading rapidly, scattering spot fires ahead of its path.

Fire trails already cut in the region failed to stop flames in the area where there was heavy standing timber and many cut logs waiting removal to mills.

MEXICO RATIFIES CHARTER MEXICO CITY, Oct. 3 (AP)—Mexico ratified the United Nations charter today.

### Schwollenbach Avers Companies Refused Offer

By the Associated Press The White House announced it would seize strike-bound oil refineries today following collapse of industry-labor-government conference over a union demand for 30 per cent wage rate increase.

Secretary of Labor Schwollenbach recommended the step last night when he emerged from the final session of the conference to report that conditions placed by the majority of companies on an alternative proposal had been tantamount to rejection. The CIO oil workers union announced its acceptance.

The White House announcement made shortly afterward, by Press Secretary Charles G. Ross, said the "necessary orders" for seizure of oil refineries in 15 states were not being drawn, although the exact hour of takeover was not specified. He said President Truman would have a statement on the subject today.

### Employers, CIO to Discuss Lumber Strike

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 3 (AP)—The still operating half of the northwest's strike-ridden lumber industry will convene here tomorrow to decide whether a complete lumber shutdown can be averted.

Officials of the CIO International Woodworkers of America, whose 40,000 members have approved a strike if necessary to obtain a general 25-cent hourly increase, will meet with operators and the U. S. conciliation service here.

A CIO strike, added to the five-state AFL shutdown now in its ninth day, would completely black out northwest logging camps and sawmills.

Attempts of the 61,000 striking workers to extend the shutdown were floundering on legal reefs. Longview and Everett, Wash., CIO sawmills employing over 5,000 men reopened today, after AFL pickets were removed by CIO-obtained injunctions.

### Brazil Dictator To Step Down

RIO DE JANEIRO, Oct. 3 (AP)—President Getulio Vargas appeared before a throng of some 40,000 supporters tonight and reaffirmed his refusal to be a candidate to succeed himself.

Addressing a torchlight parade before Palacio Guanabara, Vargas declared: "Before God, the supreme judge of my conscience, and before the Brazilian people I reaffirm that I will not be a candidate at the elections. I will preside at the elections and will leave the government to whoever is elected."

### Building to Be Resumed On Huge Soviet Palace

MOSCOW, Oct. 3 (AP)—Work will soon be resumed on the record-breaking 1,365-foot high palace of the soviet, the world's largest building which was under construction when war broke out in 1941.

It will contain 6,000 rooms to house 40,000 government offices. There will also be an amphitheatre for the supreme soviet seating 21,000 and a smaller hall seating 6,000. Topping the structure will be a statue of Lenin.

CIO pickets bring down two men who attempted to return to work at the Standard Oil company's plant at Whiting, Ind., where the CIO International Oil Workers' union attempted to shut down Chicago's last major source of gasoline. (International)

## IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Squire

This is national newspaper week; but newspapers, which do the principal job of information and propaganda on other "weeks" from Apples to Zylphones, are reluctant to promote newspaper week. It sounds too much like tooting their own horn. So I'm going to sit this one out, as far as the 1945 newspaper week is concerned.

But today is Rural School Charter day. That is a high-sounding title, which is backed up with a ten-point declaration of rights which was framed at the White House conference on rural education a year ago. The charter asserts: "Every rural child has the right:"

1. To a satisfactory, modern elementary education.

2. To a satisfactory, modern secondary education.

3. To an educational program that bridges the gap between home and school, and between the school and adult life.

4. To health services, educational and vocational guidance, library facilities and, where needed, school lunches and pupil transportation facilities at public expense.

5. To teachers, supervisors and administrators who know rural life and who are educated to deal effectively with the problems peculiar to rural schools.

6. To educational service and guidance during the entire year and full-time attendance in a school that is open for not less than

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### Shell Workers Approve Strike

MARTINEZ, Calif., Oct. 3 (AP)—An estimated 93 per cent of the 1750 employees in three Shell Oil company plants in this area today authorized the CIO oil workers union to call a strike if the company fails to grant demanded pay increases, a union spokesman announced tonight.

The action was similar to that which closed down the Union Oil company's refinery at nearby Oleanum and Wilmington, Los Angeles, where 2400 are out.

### TO DECIDE ON MEDALS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3 (AP)—President Truman today announced the appointment of Gen. William Knudsen and Stephen T. Early as members of a board to pass on civilian candidates for the medal of merit.

### Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH

"I'm glad travel restrictions have eased up—maybe we can go south this winter."

## Conciliation In Bus Strike Fails To End Dispute

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 3 (AP)—Overland Greyhound and Pacific Trailways officials said tonight there was no prospect of early restoration of bus service after failure of a conciliation meeting on the wage dispute which has halted service in four states.

At Boise, Idaho, Lester Boltz, a drivers union chairman, warned today a proposed emergency commuter service between Caldwell, Nampa and Boise by the Boise-Winnemucca stages would be considered an attempt at strike breaking.

The Idaho public utilities commission had approved an emergency certificate allowing the firm to operate local schedules into Boise.

The union and management of the two lines failed to reach any settlement today.

### Silverton Boy Killed in Coal Mine Collapse

SILVERTON, Oct. 3 (Special)—Vernon Tegland, 18, was killed late this afternoon when walls of the old coal mine on the old Emery place in the Waldo Hills district six miles south of Silverton, collapsed.

The youth was the son of Seward Tegland of Silverton. He was trapped 150 feet down in the shaft at 2 p. m., together with Ray Gitch who was later released. Claude Geer went to the aid of the trapped men and was himself caught but soon released. Tegland's body was removed at 4:30.

Gitch was uninjured except for bruises and continued to assist with the rescue. Geer was injured and taken to the hospital where he was still a patient tonight.

The old mine was reopened two months ago by J. B. Minor of Portland, owner and operator. Frank Hobson, mining engineer, has been in charge of excavation at the mine.

The accident happened while the crew was working in soapstone formation, Hobson said. They had been afraid of a cave-in and were hurrying to forestall it, if possible the engineer said.

Other workers about the mine at the time of the accident were Joe Wiessensfels and C. E. Cox.

### Yanks Trapped By China Fight

CHUNGKING, Oct. 4 (AP)—American troops were reported isolated in two hotels near the west gate of Kunning today while sporadic fighting continued between government troops and forces loyal to ousted Gov. Lung Yun of Yunnan. Three Americans were wounded earlier.

The American troops were being supplied by liaison plane from Kunning airport on the other side of town.

### Globester Nearing Frisco, Ahead of Scheduled Time

By Paul Miller HICKAM FIELD, Hawaii, Oct. 3 (AP)—The Globester winged its way across the wide Pacific today with excellent indications it would beat the announced time of 151 hours of the army transport command's first world girdling flight.

Hawaii gave a typical welcome when the big plane arrived at Hickam field at 9 a. m. Honolulu time (2:30 p. m. eastern standard time) after a fast flight from tiny Kwajalein Island.

Pilot First Lt. Joe Peckarovich, 30, of Cleveland, O., gunned the Globester over the 2448 miles from Kwajalein in 11 hours and 53 minutes.

Peckarovich could have set the ship down an hour and a half earlier, but Hickam wasn't ready for it and the C-54 had to stay upstairs until the scheduled arrival time.

### Music, girls and leis greeted the passengers when they hurried down the plane's steps for a two-hour layover.

Service crews immediately began putting the Globester in shape for its 2399-mile hop to San Francisco, where it was scheduled to arrive at 2:30 a. m. Pacific standard time Thursday (5:30 a. m. eastern standard time).

There will be a three-hour stop at San Francisco and then into the air again at 5:30 a. m. Pacific standard time, or 8:30 a. m. eastern standard time.

The tentative schedule called for the flight to end at Washington, D. C., at 9 p. m., or in 148 hours instead of the originally planned 151.

Total distance flown by the Globester since it left Washington at 5 p. m. last Friday will be 23,147 miles.

Weather table with columns for Max., Min., and Rain. Locations include San Francisco, Salem, Eugene, and Portland.