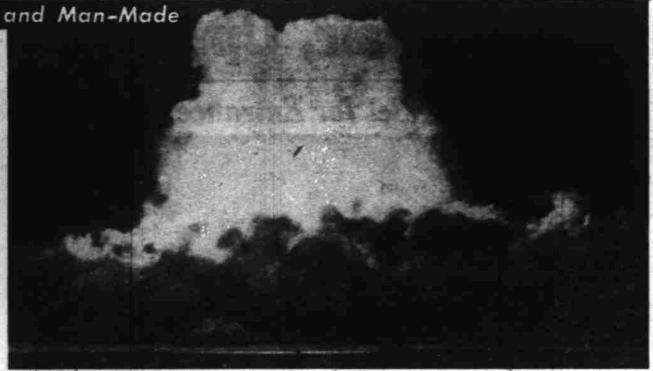


FIRE—Frenchmen near Bordeaux frantically reel out hose against a forest fire which killed 85 persons, cut a swath 20 miles wide and 30 long, forcing evacuation of many towns and villages. More than 1,500 troops fought it.



ATOM BOMB—The familiar smoke plume with its deadly rain of radioactivity is just beginning to form in this photo taken at the U.S. supersecret proving grounds on Eniwetok atoll in the Marshall Islands. Tests were made in 1948 but pictures were just released.



STORM—Billboards in Shanghai bear mute witness to fury of a July 24 typhoon, which killed 29 persons, made 200,000 homeless. Water up to six feet deep surged through streets. It was the city's worst typhoon since 1915.

# Britain Wants Dough Not Advice From U.S.

ENGLAND is in dire financial straits but proud, haughty Britons are sensitive to criticism from the United States.

Britain's economic chief, Sir Stafford Cripps, and Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin are to confer in Washington September 6 or 7 with U.S. Treasury Secretary John W. Snyder and Secretary of State Dean Acheson about the empire's economic crisis. Preliminary talks among their technical aides have al-

Dates

Monday, August 29

31st annual American Legion

Wednesday, August 31

Queen Wilhelmena, Netherlands.

Friday, September 2

Saturday, September 3

National Air Races open at

Anniversary (25th), Chinese

Sport

Last Sunday at Philadelphia, the

New York Giants were ahead

(strangely enough) 4-2 in the ninth

apparently made a shoestring catch.

Umpire George Barr ruled the ball

ting off a barrage of bottles, overripe

fruit and paper wads from the stands.

Shibe Park. Missiles fell in a steady

rain faster than attendants could

were hit. One man was seen to hurl

After 15 minutes, Chief Umpire Al

Barlick said he recognized it wasn't

Shouts of "Kill the umpire" filled

American Bar Association con-

Birthday (69th), Dowager

convention, Philadelphia.

yenes in St. Louis.

Cleveland.

civil war.

Baseballs & Bottles

him ammunition.

President Truman to address

ready begun. Meanwhile Britain is seething with resentment. Declared one Labor mem-

ber of Parliament last week: "We would rather take the risk of civilizing Communism than being kicked around by the unlettered, potbellied money magnates of the United States. Decency and not dollars will save the world from war."

### War Insurance

The feeling in a sizeable segment of the British public is that Americans have forgotten the heroic role they played in the last war and that the present economic crisis stems directly from that struggle. Britons argue that America may need their country badly in the next world war and that it is to American advantage to get Britain back on an even economic keel.

There has been criticism in Congress of British fiscal and political policies. There is certain to be more. Why, ask Congressional critics, should American capitalist dollars continue to underwrite costly British socialist experiments? Why haven't British sterling bloc policies been reon which the Philly center fielder vised to permit free world trade without crippling tariffs and duties in the colonies? What about unilateral had hit the ground first, however, settreaties such as the recent British-Argentine treaty on beef?

A Customs Union? Some Washington economic experts even go so far as to predict that Britain cannot survive as a world power clear them off the field. Two umpires without completely unhindered access to American market; They think as many as 100 bottles while girls fed the time will come when the only way to keep Britain alive will be to join it with the U.S in a customs quiet the crowd with announcements union, sharing a common currency

they were drowned out. and a completely integrated economy. Since the war. America has granted Barlick declared the game forfeit to Britain a \$3,750,000,000 loan and exthe Giants by a score of 9-0. He said tensive Marshall Plan aid in 1947. 1948 and 1949. The belief then in baseball and the players." It was the some reluctant sectors of Congress was that dollars would buy time for first major league forfeited game in seven years reconstruction and that Britain would do the rest by itself.

There is a different feeling now in now that dollars alone will no longer ever, that it was the responsibility cheaper than in former years. solve the British problem. These of home club to provide adequate critics say Britain must drastically police protection. revise its industrial system, currency valuation and foreign commitments before there can be any real hope for were fined as a result of the fracas he a healthy economy.

They want the pound devalued from its present rate of \$4.03 to some substantially lower sum. They want emphasis on technical rather than political revamping of heavy industry and an end to social experiments until the economic crisis is over.

### Canada Sits In

Canada is to sit in on the economic talks, too, as a vastly interested third

Diplomatic experts believe it may take the highest type of statesmanship to prevent the conference from hurting instead of improving Angle-American relations.

Some believe that the best that can be expected of the forthcoming Washington parley is possible agreement on some short-range measures and perhaps a decision to meet again shortly for another look at the empire's economic thermometer.

### Sidelights

• In North Tonawanda, N Y., a New York Central locomotive is cooking pickles. It was leased by a pickle firm after the plant steam boiler blew up and a \$3,000 batch of dills was in a danger of spoiling.

• In Portland, Ore., Becky a cat with unorthodox ideas, is mothering four baby birds, orphaned by other felines. . In Kennewick, Wash, Bud Allen, radio entertainer, stopped talking after 110 hours of continuous broadcasting, by doctor's orders. He was raising funds for a proposed \$100,000 hospital.

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# The WORLD This WEEK Congress At Work

# YUGOSLAVIA: Is Tito Headed for War?

A LMOST a year ago when the Russian "peace offensive" first became apparent, there was speculation that the Kremlin might be taking the heat off the cold war to concentrate on certain internal problems.

Paramount among those problems was the defection,

a few months earlier, of Yugoslavia's Marshal Tito. Tito had the temerity to refuse complete subservience to Moscow. Adherence to

Party discipline is cardinal tenet of Communism. Violators of that principle were not only read out of the Par-

ty but frequently liquidated. Tito, as a rugged individualist, became a dangerous symbol from Moscow's point of view. He was a potential crack in the Iron Curtain beyond which the hostile capitalistic world had to be held at bay.

Nothing that has happened since inning. A Giant batter hit a fly ball has served to undermine that theory. That crack may be widening. For the first time Tito was praised from within the Iron Curtain. An east German Communist group-composed of Marxists of long standing-announced the formation of a Free Communist Party (FKP) pledged to fight for nationalism against "Soviet imperialism." The new party imme-

The Phils' management tried to over the public address system but

diately wired its sympathy and sup-



A GOOD BET!

overthrow from within his own The London press noted the diplo- dispute would progress to a shooting Moscow Takes the Lead guage of Hitler's "exhausted pa-

The difference now is that Moscow tience." The conservative Daily Mail itself is pressing the issue inst

leaving it to the satellites. The current war of nerves was initiated last weekend when Russia warned Yugoslavia in a diplomatic note that it was prepared to take a calmer view. Whitehall said the "effective measures" to protect the Russians want Yugoslavia to think rights of Soviet citizens within Yugo- she is in danger of attack. Diplomats steel mill at Pittsburgh. slav borders.

The stern Soviet note was like a cite, if possible, a Yugoslav revolt Diplomats in world capitals have sinister echo across a decade. It had against Tito and that it would look Bank, said his organization was conbeen keeping a close watch on de- the ring of Nazi propaganda before with favor on any attempt to assassi- sidering a loan to Yugoslavia, but a velopments ever since Tito was Adolf Hitler marched protective nate the marshal.



Page, Louisville Courier-Journa SALUTE FROM A SATELLITE strategy patently was to incite Tito's host of other little neighbor nations, that the current Moscow-Belgrade

> recalled Hitler's words: "My patience is exhausted. I must march to restore because his brand of communism is endorsing deficit-spending A Calm View But the British foreign office took within the satellite sphere.

expelled from the Cominform. The troops into Austria, Poland and a Whitehall ruled out any likelihood

matic threat was in the very lan- war, despite mounting tension. U.S. Aid for Tito

> less objectionable, but because Tito represents a revolt against Moscow

mission to buy a three million dollar was rising. In Paris, Eugene R. Black, Jr., conceded that the Kremlin would in-

American president of the World much smaller one than the 250 million dollars Tito has requested.

Bernarr Macfadden, 81-yearold physical culturalist, on making his first parachute jump: "It was wonderful coming down."

Quotes

Fred Allen, comedian, commenting on ban on giveaway programs: "They've been giving away ice boxes on radio for years. But when they started giving away deep freezers in Washington, that started this upheaval. Down in Washington, they didn't even have a pro-

AYEAR ago President Truman pleaded for a Democratic 81st Congress. Voters gave it to him but Mr. Truman has had indifferent success with it.

Congress has gone along with his foreign policies but the Administration has been the target of heavy sniping for its "curse on both your houses" attitude on China. The Senate ratified the Atlantic Pact but its corallary-the arms-aid programfaces heavy pruning from economyminded legislators in both houses.

On the domestic front, the President's average is not prepossessing. Congress passed a rent control bill but hamstrung its effectiveness by cutting appropriations.

### Labor Set Back

Congress turned thumbs down on Mr. Truman's key labor proposal-to repeal the Taft-Hartley Law-and scuttled the Brannan plan for farm subsidy payments.

It approved reorganization of the State Department and further unification of the armed forces but a federal aid to education program appears stalled by a religious controversy. Civil rights, expanded social security and a federal health insurance program apparently must await the next

Mr. Truman's inflation centrol program, a key campaign issue, was

outdated by the business recession. He has given the Republicans what The current American policy has many of them believe will be their been to do business with Tito, not chief 1950 campaign ammunition by

To augment the continued high level of government spending, he ordered the government to buy what it Last week the U.S. granted Tito per- could in areas where unemployment

The Senate filibuster on civil rights last spring snarled the legislative calendar, creating a terrific jam from which senators have not yet recov-

ered. Senate Democratic Leader Scott Lucas threatened grimly last week to keep Congress in session until Thanksgiving, if necessary, to dispose of important legislation. Holiday Plans

The only break for senators will be the weekend holiday over Labor

The House is far more advanced with its legislative work than the Senate. House leaders made plans for a vacation until September 21 for members. Neither chamber can quit for more than three days at a time unless the other approves

If the Senate had turned down the vacation resolution, the House could have held informal sessions twice weekly with an understanding that no business would oe transacted. It could do that without Senate ap-

# Trends

he acted for the "good of the people, Gobble, Gobble

Housewives were given a hot tip this week for the home plate at Thanksgiving and Christmas time. The Agriculture Department says

the Phils' fault that the crowd those legislative circles. They believe couldn't be controlled. He said, how- turkeys should be more plentiful and The 1949 crop, statisticians say, will

be the second largest in the nation's Bob Carpenter, youthful owner of history and the biggest since the war the Phils, declared that if the club -41,107,000, to be precise.

would demand that Barr, an 18-year veteran umpire, "undergo an eye from three per cent in New York a foundation for preserving peace. State to 121 per cent in Arkansas.



NO LETDOWN AT 81-Physical culturist Bernarr Macfadden is greeted in a hay field by his wife after making his first parachute jump. He says he did it to prove "growing old is nonsense."

Russia, alone of the world's major nations, is not participating in the ter off than his Russian counterpart, United Nations Scientific Conference according to a neutral Norwegian on Conservation and Utilization of survey. World Resources.

conference is surveying global short- a booklet comparing tabulations of ages in food, forests, fuels and energy. fact-finding trips to the United States Scientists say it is a start toward and Russia by separate delegations of The increases this year, compared every country, raising the world's Trade Unions. with the short supply in 1948, range standard of living and thereby laying

> Agricultural experts of 50 nations estimate the world has only about four billion acres of arable land to feed and clothe its two and one-quarter billion people. Much of the land is mediocre and growing worse while population is increasing by 20 million a year-faster than ever.

# Religion

**Onward Christians** 

The United States has 79,576,352 church members and about 60 per cent of these are Protestants, reports many great problems. Its economic The Christian Herald, unofficial Prot- life is unstable. Its social life is comestant publication, in its annual com- plicated by racial prejudices and fricpilation of religious organizations. The survey shows that last year's melting pot (stage). But it is moving

religious membership gain was 2,190,- forw rd culturally, socially and eco-164 as compared with the end of 1947. nomically." There was little change indicated in the relative strengths or the nation's faiths. The report said:

estant, 33 per cent Roman Catholic, 6 per cent Jewish and 1 per cent divided among such groups as Russian and Greek Orthodox, Spiritualists, Buddhists and others."

The nation's 222 Protestant denominations totaled 47,557,203 members, a only for absolute necessities of life. gain of 1,407,527 from last year. Pre- The ordinary family can hardly live ponderance of Protestant strength- on the husband's earnings alone and 93 per cent-is in 31 larger denomi-

Total of Roman Catholics was 26,075,697, an increase of 807,524 from last year, as reported by Catholic the government so consciously keeps two-thirds of the rent control offices

tions is the Methodist, with 8,651,524. in the Soviet Union."

The American worker is much bet-

Through Neutral Eyes

Survey

The Economic Cooperation Admin-Now in session at Lake Success, the istration (Marshall Plan) has issued establishing the resource potential of the Norwegian General Federation of It shows:

> The average American worker earns a loaf of bread with five minutes work; it takes a Russian two

An American buys a pound of meat with half an hour of labor; a Bussian needs a day. An American can buy a woolen

suit after 25 hours of work; a Russian needs two months to earn enough rubles. The Norwegians reported their visit to the United States gave them "greater confidence in the ability of

democracy to solve its problems." They said: "The country is still wrestling with tions. The country is still in the

The Norwegian fact-finders said they thought American social security inadequate, especially in the mat-"The U.S. is about 60 per cent Prot- ter of health insurance. They said

certain areas appeared to be lacking in social and economic development. The booklet quoted Norwegians as reporting on the Soviet standard of living:

"The average wage is sufficient women are forced into heavy indus- States as a naval base unless it gets try, such as street and construction a slice of Britain's ERP (Marshall work, dock hands and factory jobe.

"There is hardly a country where the standard of living down in order in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky The biggest Protestant denomina- to ensure a speedy reconstruction as and West Virginia, because of a Con-

Aid to the Enemy

"I think one of the greatest disservices to the country has been given by these anonymous charges against the B-36 which have resulted ir dragging out into open view these figures on performance that should be highly secret. . . All that gives information to the enemy and the

consequences are obvious." Gen. Carl Spaatz, retired chief of the Air Force, made this statement last week to the House Armed Services Committee investigating charges of irregularity in procurement of the intercontinental bomber.

Priviously Spaatz testified that it was his opinion that if it weren't for

## In Short . .

Reported: By the U.S. State Department, that it would switch from military to civilian control of occupied Germany by September 15.

Threatened: By Malta, to throw out the British and offer their strategic Mediterranean port to the United Plan) funds.

Announced: September 1 closing of gressional cut in appropriations.

AERIAL: The B-36 Probe the B-36 and the atom bomb, Russia could subdue "practically all of Europe and Asia in a relatively short

> Spaatz told the committee that in December, 1946, or January, 1947, he decided to continue a contract for B-36s.

> He said he made this decision because "the results to be obtained from possession of an intercontinental bomber were so enormous as to justify going ahead and taking the chance of failure, just as was done in developing the atomic bomb which

> this plane was designed to deliver." Spaatz was the first of a string of generals to deny that outside pressure of any kind had influenced Air Force decisions to develop the giant B-36. The former commander also made it a point to urge restoration of funds for a 70-group Air Force.

> It would be very dangerous, Spaatz said, to hold the national protective umbrella to 48 groups becruse "some of our friends in Europe" had made certain plans on the basis of an Amer an 70-group Air Force.

> "This 70-group force,' Speatz added, "should not be built at the expense of the program of arms aid to

Europe." Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore) revealed the California phase of the B-36 investigation had produced nothing to substantiate charges against the huge bomber.

