

RAIL GROUPS ACCEPT ARBITRATION

U.S. AND JAPAN PLEDGE PEACE OVER PACIFIC

Diplomatic Exchange Says Threats of War Are Overdrawn

MOTIVES QUESTIONED Tokyo Believed Preparing Way for New Parley On Armaments

WASHINGTON, March 21.—(AP)—The United States and Japan today "shook hands across the Pacific" in a significant exchange of notes mutually pledging peace.

Hoki Hirota, foreign minister of Japan, in a formal note to Roosevelt administration diplomatic chiefs here asserted the Nippon government "has an intention whatever to provoke and make trouble with any other power."

Secretary Hull, evidently scanning reported war clouds in the Far East, based on strained relations between Japan and Soviet Russia, replied: "I receive this statement with special gratification."

"I am glad to take this opportunity to state categorically that the United States on its part has no desire to create any conflict in its relations with other countries."

The Hirota-Hull exchange was the first such passage of good will notes since President Roosevelt took office more than a year ago.

Trade Extension Touched In their messages, the diplomatic chiefs of the two nations uttered definite agreements, using the words of Hirota, that: "No question exists between our two nations that is fundamentally incapable of amicable solution."

Hull concurred in this statement and added: "It unhappily there should arise in the future any controversy between our two countries, the American government will be prepared, as I believe it always has been in the past, to examine the position of Japan in a spirit of amity."

Further the two statesmen spoke favorably of an extension of trade between the two countries.

The notes were released simultaneously to the press at the state department here and in Tokyo.

Japan Note Month Old The Japanese note was delivered by Hiroshi Saito, Nippon's new ambassador here, just one month ago, but only today was its receipt disclosed.

Some close observers here saw in a friendly attempt by Japan to lay

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WEATHER NEWS

The rain did not materialize and more fair weather is hooked. The farmers say they would like to have some rain to put their ground in shape for late spring plowing.

OREGON: Fair tonight and Thursday; moderate temperature; gentle changeable wind offshore.

LOCAL STATISTICS: Minimum temperature Wednesday, 41 degrees. Maximum temperature Tuesday, 68 degrees. Willamette river, minus .5 of a foot. Wind from north.

SUSLAW TIDES: Thursday high, 4:32 a. m., 6:27 p. m.; low, 11:51 a. m., 11:37 p. m.; Friday, high, 7:35 a. m., 7:40 p. m.; low, 1:30 p. m., Saturday, high, 7:56 a. m., 8:58 p. m.; low, 1:59 a. m., 2:15 p. m.

AT WHITMAN!



Stepping into the shoes of his predecessor who held the job 40 years, Dr. Rudolph A. Clemen of Winnetka, Ill., has been named president of Whitman College at Walla Walla, Wash.

VETERANS LEAGUE PLANS EXPANSION

Group Expects to Take Active Interest in May Election

Plans to organize units of the Veterans Voters' league all over the state were made at a meeting of the newly organized Lane county unit at the armory Tuesday night.

The plan is to organize one unit in each county.

The necessity of organizing quickly in order to make the organization's influence felt at the May primaries was stressed, but it is not possible it is planned to form a complete organization throughout the state so that an active campaign may be waged prior to the general elections in November.

Rev. I. G. Shaw of Cottage Grove has received the appointment from national headquarters in New York as state commander of the league and congressional district junior commanders have also been appointed.

Bryan H. Conley of Salem has been named for the first district, C. A. Kirkendall of Baker for the second and J. C. Caine of Portland for the third. Lloyd Terrill of Eugene is junior commander for Lane county.

He has acted as chairman of the two meetings held here.

Between 85 and 100 veterans of the World war and the Spanish war, members of the Veterans League story page 2

Seats On Stock Exchange Cheaper

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McNary To Introduce Bill To Clear Siltcoos Outlet

A new bill, providing for a congressional appropriation for the clearance of the outlet to Siltcoos lake to permit ocean fish free access to the main body of the lake for spawning purposes will be introduced at Washington shortly.

Senator Emmett Howard Wednesday, Mr. Howard, who fathered a movement in the state legislature some years ago for this purpose, recently wrote Senator McNary, informing him that the work, while approved, had never been done and asking that the matter be given attention.

Senator McNary's telegram was as follows: "Legislation introduced earlier by me passed the senate but failed to pass the house and it appears that I shall have to start again with a new bill. The bureau of fisheries is anxious to cooperate but has no funds. If plan agreeable I shall proceed."

LUMBER CODE CHANGES WILL BE DISCUSSED

Amendments Would Grant Greater Cuts For Export Mills

HEARING MARCH 27

Shifts in Quotas to Be Permitted if Plans Are Approved

WASHINGTON, March 21.—(AP)—The national recovery administration has called a public hearing here March 27 on recent amendments to the lumber code. The amendments, 49 to 67 inclusive, embody practically all of the code changes approved by the code authority at recent meetings.

A statement by the code authority said export trade is particularly affected by amendments 49 and 51, the former permitting the divisions and subdivisions to establish cost-protection prices for export sales and to revise and modify such schedules upon 48 hours' notice.

Export Cutting Liberalized The other amendment would give the administrative agency three options for relaxing production control in order to encourage cutting for export. The first option provides that no person would be considered to have exceeded his allotment for any period if the excess did not exceed 50 percent of his proven exports.

The second would give any operator, willing to forego a specified proportion of his regular allotment, an export allotment twice the size of the domestic reduction.

The third method would be the designation by administrative agencies of "certain qualities or items of lumber."

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Committee Favors Big Highway Fund; Oregon to Share

A favorable report on a house bill authorizing appropriation of four hundred seventy million dollars for road work and flood repair work in the west was given by the house committee on roads, according to word received here Wednesday from Congressman James Mott, member of the committee.

The bill would appropriate four hundred million to the states for road construction under provisions of the NRA, fifty million for roads in forests and other public lands and ten million for repair of roads and bridges damaged by floods.

Local highway enthusiasts received the news with interest Wednesday, declaring that Oregon should receive a sizeable allotment of this money, should congress pass the bill, and it is expected some of Oregon's share would be spent in Lane county where many miles of forest roads are needed and are already planned for construction when funds become available.

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County P. T. A. to Gather in Coburg

Thursday brings the meeting of the county Parent Teacher association at the Coburg school, sessions starting at 10:30 a. m. with a covered dish luncheon at noon and afternoon sessions taking up at 1:30 o'clock. Plans for the summer-round-up project of the P. T. A. units will be discussed.

Mrs. G. H. Good, a state vice-president, Prof. John Casteel of the University of Oregon, Mrs. Della Fitzgerald, county health nurse, and Mrs. Leo Wray are among those on the program for talks and reports.

All units of the county are invited to send their delegates to the meeting and others interested are invited.

Coquille Defeats Mitchell, 37 to 21

SALEM, March 21.—(AP)—In the initial game of the annual state basketball tournament here Coquille high school advanced to the second round by defeating the team from Mitchell 37 to 21.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Ore., March 21.—(AP)—Ashland high school took a 15 to 13 lead over Columbia Prep of Portland just before end of the first half in the second game of the state basketball tournament.

AS STRIKES THREATEN!



Here are three labor leaders conferring in Washington as strikes threaten in the auto industry and the rail wage dispute carries on. John L. Davis, left, is president of the United Mine Workers; Senator James J. Lewis, center, was labor secretary in the Harding, Coolidge and Hoover cabinets; William Green, right, is president of the American Federation of Labor.

Jobless Group Is Kept Out Of Courthouse

A possible demonstration on the part of a group of 25 or 30 members of the Unemployed council was prevented at the courthouse Wednesday morning when Sheriff C. A. Swartz ordered the group, with the exception of a committee of three persons, to stay out of the building.

Sheriff Swartz and Deputy George Casaday stood guard in the lobby of the courthouse for some time to see that the order was obeyed and it was not long until the group disbanded.

At the last meeting of the county relief committee a committee from the Unemployed council is said to have threatened to make a demonstration at this week's meeting, claiming that no action would be taken by the relief committee on a number of needy cases that the council had presented.

The relief committee members stated that it has a list of all the cases, that all names are in the hands of the Red Cross and the cases have either been investigated or will be soon. A resolution was adopted at a previous meeting that no large delegations will be heard but that any grievance presented by a committee of three or less will be given consideration.

The relief committee was not in session when the delegation from the Unemployed council appeared at the courthouse, but Sheriff Swartz had been notified of the plans of the council and acted to prevent possible trouble. The relief committee passed over its regular weekly meeting because of no particular business on hand.

Alton Bristol, spokesman for the Unemployed council group, said that three different cases were to have been presented to the relief committee at this time.

1000 Feared Dead In Conflagration In Japanese City

TOKIO, March 21.—(AP)—The Renzo (Japanese) news agency correspondent at Hakodate reported today that one thousand persons are feared to have died in a fire which destroyed the greater part of Hakodate.

The conflagration was said to have originated when chimneys fell during a severe wind storm.

Up to a late hour tonight buildings were reported still burning, with the blaze spreading to suburban areas.

Hakodate is the principal port in the island of Hokkaido, and has a population of 200,000.

Reduced Fee May Be Paid on Trucks

Three-fourths regular license fee on trucks, busses and trailers will be accepted at the office of Sheriff Swartz on and after Monday, March 26, it was announced Wednesday by Roy Potter, deputy sheriff in charge of the license bureau. Word to that effect had been received from the office of Secretary of State Stedman.

The order does not apply to passenger cars or small trucks with less than a combined weight of 4000 pounds. The combined weight is computed by adding the actual weight of the truck with the weight of the load which can be carried on the truck.

TAX COLLECTIONS GAIN

PORTLAND, March 21.—(AP)—This year's federal income tax collection in Oregon amounted to \$511,947, as of March 20, an increase of \$188,536 over the corresponding period last year, it was announced by J. W. Maloney, collector of internal revenue.

3-C TROOPERS TO LEAVE MARCH 29

Two Trains to Carry Men Back to Homes in Midwest States

The first special train carrying CCC members to their homes in the sixth and seventh corps areas will leave Eugene Thursday afternoon, March 29, at 4 o'clock. The second will leave here March 30 at 11:55 a. m.

Arrangements for the special trains are being completed under the direction of Capt. Forrest E. Ambrose of the Eugene district headquarters.

Capt. Levi W. Ruhl, commander at Camp Bradford, will be in charge of the first train. Capt. S. Gordon Hyde, commander at Camp Melrose, will command the second train.

The first train will carry 100 men to be discharged at Fort Leavenworth, Kas., and 225 men to be discharged at Fort Crook, Neb. It will include 26 men from Wendling for Fort Leavenworth and six men for Fort Crook; 28 men from Belknap for Fort Leavenworth and 29 men for Fort Crook; 27 men from Coquille for Fort Crook; 44 men from Remote for Fort Crook; 11 men from Tyee for Fort Leavenworth and 36 men for Fort Crook; 12 men from Melrose for Fort Crook; 14 men from Brice Creek for Fort Leavenworth; nine men from McKinley for Fort Crook; and 15 men from Powers for Fort Leavenworth and 11 men for Fort Crook.

The train will be routed through Klamath Falls and Sacramento. Capt. Plomer J. Gustin will accompany the train as mess and medical officer.

The second train will carry 116 men for Fort Sheridan, Ill., from this district, and about 190 from the Medford district. This will include 49 men from Brice Creek and 67 men from McKinley. The train will go by way of Medford and Sacramento.

Lieut. L. B. Hanson will accompany the train as mess and medical officer.

Thirty-One Pension Papers Passed On

The county old age pension commission will be able to announce the result of investigation of 85 additional applications for pension about the first of April, according to County Judge Fred Fisk, chairman of the commission.

The commission has been very busy the past few days acting on the applications, 21 having been gone over Tuesday and ten up to noon Wednesday, leaving 54 yet to examine.

Judge Fisk said that new applications for pensions are coming in regularly, ten having been received since the first of March.

\$26,000 is Asked For Fire Protection

An allotment of \$26,000 for fire protection purposes in the Willamette national forest this summer is being asked for by officials of the forest. It was announced Wednesday.

The allotment is planned to pay the special fire lookouts and for the regular protection work in all the five ranger districts of the forest with headquarters each at Detroit, and Casavada in the northern end and McKenzie Bridge, Oakridge, and West Boundary in Lane county.

The proposed allotment is practically the same as requested for last year's work.

STATE-WIDE PLANS BOARD IS PROPOSED

Move Would Coordinate Varied Activities Over Oregon

ADVANTAGES MANY

Use of Federal Funds to Be Discussed at Dinner Meet

Organization of a state-wide council for the promotion of regional, city and community planning was voted today by citizens representing many parts of the state, in attendance at the annual Oregon Commonwealth Conference. The entire morning session was given over to discussion of organization of the group. A committee will submit a proposal for a name later in the session, and organization work will be completed in the near future.

Activities Varied The new organization will be composed of various sections, each in charge of leaders in that field, it was decided. Tentative groups included are recreation, library service, adult education, character building agencies such as Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, public health, arts, and welfare administration.

Dr. John E. Bovard, dean and director of physical education for the Oregon State System of Higher Education, outlined the proposed work of the recreation unit. Miss Harriet Long, state librarian, told of possibilities for expanding library service, and pointed to the vast increase of libraries during the past few years as evidence of need for expansion in this field. Dr. Dan E. Clark, assistant director of extension for the

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Portland Demo To Seek Nomination For Governorship

PORTLAND, Ore., March 21.—(AP)—Advocating the "licensing of every form of gambling under a local plan, with strict regulation and heavy penalties for violation," Sam M. Williams of Portland today announced he is a candidate for the democratic nomination as governor.

Williams, resident of Portland for 25 years, two years ago was the democratic nominee for sheriff of Multnomah county.

He advocates legalized establishment of "restricted districts," creation of a state constabulary to function under command of the adjutant general, with state armories as headquarters; abolition of the liquor control law with package distribution by private agencies, and construction of power transmission lines from Bonneville dam to all parts of the state.

President Peavy Urges Cooperation

PORTLAND, March 21.—(AP)—Before more than 200 members of the Dads' and the Mothers' club of Oregon State college, Dr. George W. Peavy, acting president of the Corvallis institution, last night pledged cooperation with the University of Oregon.

"There need be no rivalry," he said, "between the two, with both created by the state for one object—the better service to the people."

"I pledge fullest cooperation with the University of Oregon," he continued. "I know and admire Dr. Boyer, its president. He and I will work together, if permitted to work together. But I will see that Oregon State college is protected in its field."

Huge Staging 80 Feet High Moved

The huge staging used on the interior of McArthur Court, the basketball pavilion at the University of Oregon, by a CWA crew in making improvements in the building, was moved Tuesday in two hours, according to T. O. Russell, CWA project engineer.

The staging, which is 40 by 60 feet in dimensions, and contains 40,000 feet of lumber, is said to be the largest of its kind in the Pacific northwest. It was built 80 feet high so the workmen could reach the rafters on which fixtures is being nailed to improve the acoustics properties of the building. The staging is placed on rollers, thus making it easy to move.

The work is half completed, according to Mr. Russell and already a marked improvement has been noticed in the acoustics.

IN NEW POST!



Rear Admiral Thomas J. Senn, above, is now commandant of the 12th Naval District with headquarters in San Francisco. Admiral Senn was appointed following the retirement of Admiral Laws.

CHURCHES PREPARE HOLY WEEK PLANS

Protestants to Have Union Service in Observing Good Friday

Churches of Eugene are busy lining up programs for the annual observance of Holy Week, which begins the coming Sunday, Palm Sunday. All Protestant churches will unite for an union service on Good Friday, a week from this Friday, at the Methodist Episcopal church, sponsored by the local ministerial association. The services will be held from 12 noon until 3 p. m., various pastors taking part.

Services announced so far include the following:

St. Mary's Episcopal will hold services for blessing of the palm crosses at 8 a. m. and 11 a. m. the coming Sunday. On Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings there will be Holy Eucharist at 10 o'clock and on Thursday at 7 o'clock. On Good Friday the church is to conduct a service from 12 noon until 3 p. m.

St. Mary's Catholic church will hold the blessing of palms at the 10:30 a. m. mass Sunday. Holy Week services will be held Sunday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at 7:30 o'clock.

Central Presbyterian church will hold its annual Holy Week communion service at 7:30 p. m. Friday. The church joins with the others for the

Macon is Turned Back By Weather

SUNNYVALE, Cal., March 21.—(AP)—Forced to turn back by unfavorable weather, the U. S. dirigible Macon was berthed today at her hangar after a flight of less than eight hours yesterday over the San Francisco bay region.

Original plans called for a trip to the Pacific northwest. Officers of the dirigible now were uncertain when the projected flight northward would be taken.

New Contest Topic Will Be Answer Request For Recipes

By MARIAN LOWRY Keep an eye out for the Thursday paper—there's a new contest topic coming and it's going to be one that many of you have asked for. And if you have suggestions for topics, please send them in. This is your forum.

The rhubarb contest was slated to finish Wednesday evening. Prize winners will be announced on Friday. Many valuable suggestions have come in for the contest.

Below is another lot of buttermilk recipes sent in for last week:

Buttermilk Cake (An old recipe) 2 cups light brown sugar 1 cup shortening 3 eggs 2 cups buttermilk 2 teaspoons soda 5 cups flour 1 cup chopped nuts 1 cup raisins 1 teaspoon nutmeg 1/2 teaspoon cloves 1 teaspoon cinnamon. Cream sugar, shortening and eggs. Stir soda in buttermilk and add to first mixture alternately with flour

in which the spices have been sifted. Add nuts and floured raisins. Makes an excellent fruit cake by adding candied fruits; will keep for months.—Mrs. E. C. Cothrell, 1126 Taylor St., Eugene.

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PRESIDENT WILL MEET AUTO MEN

Railroad Workers Ho Demand For Return To Base, Raise

EASTMAN IS NAMED

Separate Unions To Be Represented at F. D. Parley

WASHINGTON, March 21.—(AP)—Automobile manufacturers left a conference with President Roosevelt today without comment except that the chief executive would have a statement.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—(AP)—Railway managers and employees agreed today to submit their wage dispute to arbitration by Joseph B. Eastman, federal railroad coordinator, as proposed by President Roosevelt.

Eastman immediately made plans for opening conferences tomorrow on the controversy.

This was made known shortly after Mr. Roosevelt began a conference with automobile manufacturers in an effort to avert the strike threatened in that industry.

Labor Demands Rais Temporary solution of the railway wage controversy was reported to President Roosevelt by representatives of the two groups.

A. F. Whitney, chairman of the railway executive association, earlier had accepted the services of Eastman after rejecting suggestions for a continuation of the existing 10 per cent pay out agreement.

A few hours later W. F. Thiehoff, chairman of the conference committee of railroad managers, told the White

MILK MEET SET AT 11 A. M. THURSDAY

The Oregon milk control board members will meet with Eugene producers at 11 a. m. Thursday in the local chamber of commerce rooms, it was announced Wednesday by E. G. Harlan, chairman of the milk board. All shippers of grade A and B milk in the Eugene market are invited to attend the meeting.

Problems connected with the marketing of grade B milk will be discussed at the meeting. The meeting has been arranged, it is understood, by producers who wish to know more about the pooling agency the state milk group has advocated as a means to control production, care for surplus, and stabilize the market. Some of the local producers have protested the pool plan.

Also on Thursday at 1 p. m. will be held a meeting of the Lane county ice cream manufacturers at the chamber of commerce rooms, the group to meet to discuss matters associated with the ice cream code now in effect.

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