

Seven-Man Board Established to Speed Up Defense

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portion of it has been accompanied by demands for the appointment of a one-man head for the arms effort, with the broad powers that Bernard M. Baruch wielded as chairman of the war industries board of World war days.

One of the first important comments, however, proved favorable. Alvan Macauley, president of the Automobile Manufacturers association, said that the setup appeared "to give us the consolidation of leadership we have needed from the start."

Efforts to date, he added, have been "handicapped by lack of supreme leadership."

The new board was empowered to deal primarily with the supply question, but its scope evidently extended to numerous other problems which have given rise to complaint.

To it Mr. Roosevelt named: Vice President Wallace; William S. Knudsen, director general of OPM; Sidney Hillman, co-director of OPM;

Secretary of War Stimson; Secretary of Navy Knox; Leon Henderson, head of the office of price administration and civilian supply; and Harry L. Hopkins, special presidential assistant in charge of the lend-lease program.

For executive director of the board, the president selected Donald M. Nelson, former Sears Roebuck & Company executive who has been serving OPM as director of purchases.

Many officials were inclined to look on Nelson as the coming No. 1 man of the new organization. They pointed out that the vice president's numerous other duties would not permit him to be a full time chairman. Thus the day-to-day work in this tremendously important role would devolve on Nelson.

President May Tell Far East Issues

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branding the question too long and too broad.

He had no comment on his meeting with Nomura and, to a question asking whether "we are getting anywhere," he replied there was no news on that day. The president said it had not yet been determined when he would see the ambassador again and that he could not say how soon or what would be the reply which will be made to the message from Tokyo.

Reminded that the second anniversary of the World war was approaching, and asked whether the "outlook is any better," Mr. Roosevelt remarked he was making a speech Monday, which is the second anniversary.

May Review Situation

Reporters saw in his words an intimation that he might review the war situation in the address, to be delivered from his home at Hyde Park, N. Y., as part of a program arranged by the office of production management.

Presumably any such review



WHAT—NO HORSE?—This man about town is none other than Jockey Eddie Arcaro, who donned a stiff shirt to attend a dinner at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., with Mrs. Arcaro. Eddie's biggest ride of the year was the Derby win on Whirlaway.

would cover the Far Eastern crisis, but the president gave no hint whether it was his intention to mention it.

At Tokyo, the Japanese news agency Domei made this comment on the Roosevelt-Nomura conference:

"Well-informed circles are of the opinion that what Japan is aiming at under the prevailing complex international situation is disposal of the China affair and prosperity sphere with the ultimate object of ushering in an era of permanent peace in the Pacific, and in consideration of the very delicate relations existing between Japan and the United States following outbreak of the Russian-German war Prince Konoye conveyed Japan's firm conviction on this broad viewpoint to President Roosevelt."

The important commercial newspaper Chugai indicated a belief the American-Japanese crisis could be settled amicably.

"From time immemorial," said Chugai, "there has been no problem which could not be settled by mutual conversations between Japan and the United States."

Earlier a brief official announcement said that the Konoye message outlined "the imperial government's attitude toward the Pacific situation."

Ichi Kishi, a board of information official, declared in a nation-wide broadcast that Konoye's message was of prime significance because the United States was eager not to break peaceful relations with Japan.

But he told the nation it "should not forget for one moment its firm determination to cope with any untoward happening."

After reviewing moves Britain and the United States have made blocking Japanese aims in east Asia, Kishi concluded:

"Should the United States and Britain really hope for peace in east Asia they should certainly re-examine the policies they have adopted toward Japan in the past in the light of ideals often

mouthered by them. Unless they transport their ideals into action we cannot accept them at face value."

Big Seattle Blaze Blamed on Firebug

SEATTLE, Aug. 29.—(P)—A devastating \$200,000 waterfront fire which swept through the buildings and yards of two large lumber concerns having numerous national defense contracts was described today by Fire Chief William Fitzgerald as the work of a firebug or a saboteur. Three firemen were injured.

The chief said that shortly before 8:40 p. m. last night, when the first alarm was turned in, people living near the yards saw three men run from in back of the building and flee along nearby railroad tracks. Fire Inspector E. Blaine Rossman set the loss of upwards of \$200,000. The plants were the Lumber Supply and Warehouse company and the Blackstock Lumber company.

"This blaze was not accidental," Chief Fitzgerald said emphatically. "It was set in several places and the flames spread with such fury that the whole rear of one building was enveloped before fire fighting equipment arrived."

DEPENDS ON LOCATION
The storms known as hurricanes in the West Indies and South Pacific are known as typhoons off the east coast of Asia, cyclones in the Indian seas, and baguins in the Philippines.

OLD DRUGS
The pharmacopoeia of the Central and South American Aztecs and Incas are the sources of many modern drugs, such as chenopodium, cocaine and quinine.

Pittsburgh, tenth largest city in the United States, has a population of 665,384, compared to 669,817 10 years ago.

Hitler, Mussolini Issue 'War Aims' After 5-Day Talk

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to wage war to a victorious end." "The new European order which will emanate from this victory shall remove as extensively as possible the causes which gave rise in the past to European wars."

"Destruction of the Bolshevik danger and of plutocratic exploitation will create the possibility of peaceful, harmonious and profitable cooperation of all peoples of the European continent in the political as well as in the economic and cultural spheres."

"In the course of these discussions, the Fuehrer and Il Duce went to important points on the eastern front when also one of the Italian divisions employed in the fight against Bolshevism was inspected."

"On the occasion of their visit to the south front, the Fuehrer and Il Duce were greeted by General Field Marshal von Rundstedt."

"Furthermore, visits were made to the headquarters of the Reichsmarshal (Goehring) and of the commander in chief of the army."

Mussolini was accompanied by Dino Alfieri, Italian ambassador to Germany, General Ugo Cavallero, chief of the Italian general staff, and other high Italian military and civil officials.

The German ambassador to Italy, Hans-Georg Viktor von Mackensen and the German military attaché to the embassy, went with Mussolini from Rome.

German Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop and Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel participated in both the political and military conferences.

Finishing Touches Put on Tax Measure By Senate Committee

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—(P)—The senate finance committee approved today an unprecedented \$3,672,400,000 tax bill.

The measure was estimated by the treasury to carry \$456,000,000 more than was voted by the house.

Chairman George (D., Ga.) of the finance group told reporters, however, that he believes the treasury estimates of \$3,672,400,000 would prove low.

"In a full year of operation," he said, "I believe this bill would raise approximately \$4,000,000,000."

George said that although the measure was given general approval in its present form, the finance committee would meet Tuesday to consider any technical changes in language which may appear desirable.

Before winding up its work, the committee voted to exempt from excess profits taxes the strategic metals industries.

The measure would create between 6,000,000 and 7,000,000 new taxpayers by lowering personal income exemptions from \$2,000 to \$1,500 for married persons and from \$800 to \$750 for single individuals. The lowered exemptions were designed to raise more than \$300,000,000 in additional revenue.

Mill Workers Go CIO, 133-48

SPRINGFIELD, Aug. 29.—(Special)—The CIO today was bargaining agent for employees of the Booth-Kelly Lumber company as a result of a decisive vote taken this week. The vote was 133 for CIO, 48 for AFL with 2 neutral votes.

Employees have been without a bargaining group since dissolution of the IEU last spring.

Gas Slash Would Injure Oregon Road Program, Says Baldock

PORTLAND, Aug. 29.—(P)—R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, said yesterday that the predicted slash of gasoline consumption on the Pacific coast by 10 per cent would endanger Oregon's highway funds.

If the reduction, predicted before a senate committee by Ralph A. Davies, acting federal oil coordinator, were put in effect it would cost Oregon \$1,000,000 annually in gasoline taxes, Baldock said, and impair the state's ability to match federal funds.



DO I HEAR \$50? says Col. R. D. Arnold as he auctions off stock at his yard just west of the overhead crossing on Highway 99. His son, H. B. Arnold, looks on, ready to mark down the winning bid. The Arnolds are also opening up a new furniture auction yard a bit farther north on the highway. It will be ready for bidders Saturday, August 30. (Register-Guard photo, Wiltshire Engraving)

Old Land Grant Suit Settled

SPOKANE, Aug. 29.—(P)—The United States was richer today by \$300,000 and 363,000 acres of land, and held clear title to an additional 2,900,000 acres after settlement of a land grant case dating back to 1864 and costing a million and a half dollars to complete.

Officials of the Northern Pacific railroad, losers in the case widely known as one of the most involved litigations in American history, conceded defeat yesterday by paying district court clerk A. A. LaFramboise the \$300,000.

District Judge Lewis D. Schwellenbach handed down the decree denying the railroad's claims to the land and ordering the payment.

Robert E. Mulhoney, chief of the trials section, lands division of the department of justice, said the long drawn-out controversy had cost the government close to \$1,000,000. Defense attorneys estimated the railroad's cost at \$500,000.

Back in 1864 and in 1870 land grants were made to the company to aid in building the road from Ashland, Wis., to Tacoma.

Change in Orders Cuts Eugene Off Army Bivouac Stop

A sudden change in the bivouac schedule for the U. S. army troops moving south to Ft. Ord following maneuvers near Ft. Lewis, Wash., crossed Eugene off the list and made Sutherland the stop-over for approximately 4,000 troops of the 53rd infantry Friday evening.

Plans for a dance at the armory of the same type as Wednesday and Thursday evening's entertainment have thus been cancelled according to Thomas W. Fisher, vice-chairman of the recreation committee. Word has not yet been received as to the plans for the troops arriving Saturday but announcement will be made by both newspaper and radio as soon as possible.

Reason given for the change was the difficulty in rounding up the men following the dances and in breaking camp early the next morning. Thus a smaller town has been chosen for the bivouac site.

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of the 32nd infantry Thursday evening at the armory.

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Columbia River To Get Mine Field

ASTORIA, Ore., Aug. 29.—(P)—A mine field will be planted in the Columbia river between the entrance and Harrington point, mariners were warned today. The experimental field, about

four and a half miles long, will be planted in the Columbia river between the entrance and Harrington point, mariners were warned today. The experimental field, about

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