neral John' 87th Year

HINGTON —(U.P.)— General Armies John J. Pershing, commander of American in the first world war, en the United States on of his 86th birthday an- y Thursday to enforce its macy "with continued h."

have learned that pre- ss is the guardian of and particularly is this so se of the atomic bomb and missiles upon which we are ," he said in a statement Army and Navy Journal.

dent Truman will lead the Friday in honoring the fa- "Black Jack" of 1918, who n confined in Walter Reed l here almost without res- ce he became ill in Februa- 46.

chief executive will visit d general in his private s at 2:30 p.m. (EST), for birthday chat. Pershing, rtually bed-ridden, rarely itted visitors besides his sister, Miss May Pershing, who is a daily caller at the modest hospital suite set aside for the man whose American Expeditionary Force made history 28 years ago.

Pershing's last known nationally-important visitor was Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, who called to receive congratulations on his victory after the end of the war in Europe.

During the war, Pershing took an active interest in the progress of American forces. He kept a personal set of day-by-day war maps, and was understood to have consulted several times with Gen. George C. Marshall, wartime chief of staff who served under Pershing in World War I.

Foreign Purchasers Must Deal for Meat

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — The agriculture department notified foreign food claimants Thursday that after Sept. 30 they will be strictly on their own as far as meat procurement in this country is concerned.

Officials said foreign nations wishing to buy meat in the United States will be granted export licenses for a specified poundage but that it will be up to them to drive their own bargains with American packers after Sept. 30.

Leaving Field

Acting Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannon, in announcing the action, said it was in line with the government's efforts to withdraw from the food purchasing field and leave it to commercial traders as soon as possible.

In addition to meat, the government has discontinued buying flour and wheat products, oats, grain sorghums, cotton, tobacco, fruits and vegetables and several special commodities for export.

Buys Little

The only foods it now will buy for export will be dairy products, dried and frozen eggs, animal fats including lard, vegetable oils, wheat, corn, beans, rice, canned fish and agricultural seeds.

Until the lapse in price controls June 30 the department had been obtaining meat for export through set-asides which averaged about 15 per cent of the beef supply and 25 per cent of the pork production.

Navy Okays Housing Near Tongue Point

ASTORIA—(AP)—Naval approval of a $4,300,000 375-unit housing project on county-owned land south of Tongue Point was reported Thursday by Capt. S. P. Jenkins, commodore of the 19th inactive fleet.

Work on the project to house officer and enlisted personnel attached to inactive fleet units will begin as soon as engineering surveys are completed, he said.

A finger pier, to which will be tied the first of 500 ships to be laid up in Mott Basin, will be completed by November, Cmdr. R. C. Jensen has announced. Eight piers will be built.

Jensen said dredging of channels into the basin from the Columbia River is 90 per cent finished.

Northwestern Women Among Ship Sponsors

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Two Pacific Northwest women were listed Friday on the Maritime Commission's list of ship sponsors receiving gifts of trays, albums of pictures valued at $230 at the Permanente Metals Corp., Richmond, Calif.

They were Mrs. Michael F. Novak, Aberdeen, Wash., and Mrs. Samuel H. Williston, Oswego, Ore.

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Othman Pays Through Nose For Atlantic City Excursion

By FREDERICK C. OTHMAN
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON— (U.P.) —When a cup of coffee at dinner costs 30 cents something is wrong. When a second cup costs 30 more it gets funny. If it hadn't been my 60 cents for two mugs of java, I might have laughed. Maybe.

Friends, do not envy the idle rich. I just got back from a week with these overstuffed babies at a hotel we'll call the Swankleigh-Goldritz, on the boardwalk at Atlantic City. Listen:

The room clerk gave me the first jolt. He apologized because every expensive room in the house was taken. His voice had tears in it. Would I mind taking a cheap room?

Needs Paint

I took it. It needed paint. It had one window, with a magnificent view across a narrow court of a red brick wall. It was cheap, all right. It only cost $10 a night, single. I think the pillow was stuffed with shavings. It rustled in my ear.

My last night in town I had dinner in the Swankleigh's main dining room ;a small shrimp cocktail, two slices of cold duck, a dab of fruit salad, and lemon ice. That's when I ordered a second cup of coffee. The bill was $4.10, including my 60 cents worth of coffee.

Do not get the idea I am denouncing Atlantic City. There are many hotels off the boardwalk where prices are lower. Neither am I throwing darts at the Swankleigh-Goldritz. I got to wondering about what the other customers thought and I looked up the manager. A nice guy, but worried.

Expenses High

His prices, he said, were outrageous. He also said his expenses, mostly labor, were so high that he lost money on all his dining rooms. He offered to show me his books.

"But these people who come here do not worry about the prices," he said. "Most of them go in the winter to Florida, where the prices are so high our's seem cheap by comparison. I'm afraid the thing is going to blow up in our faces. I'll be down in Washington one of these days on my knees, begging you to come to the Swankleigh at any price."

He also said he'd have to do something to make ends meet. Two cups of coffee next week are going to cost 80 cents.

"But you haven't seen anything yet," he said. "You ought to drop in at the Razzle-Dazzle down the walk, and ask room service to send you some soda and ice. Four dollars, unless the waiter notices you are using your own whisky. Then he adds $2 to the check, for corkage."

I stayed away from the Razzle. I got out of the Swankleigh as quickly as I could. Atlantic City is a wonderful place and the boardwalk is made of solid mahogany, but $1.45 for toast and two soft-boiled eggs is too much. Fellows in the frock coats, you know it is.

Breeley Given Schlich Medal

SALT LAKE CITY—(AP)—Col. W. B. Breeley of Seattle, one of the first advocates of forest conservation, Friday became the fourth man to be awarded American forestry's highest honor, the Schlich Memorial Medal.

The presentation was made by S. W. Allen of Ann Arbor, president of the Society of American Foresters, which is holding its annual meeting here. Allen is a professor of forestry at the University of Michigan.

Breeley, who is chairman of the board for the American Forest Products Industries, Inc., and vice president of the West Coast Lumbermen's Assn., is generally credited with changing the viewpoint of foresters from one of wood-mining to one of forest-farming.

A speaker at the session was G. M. Granger, assistant chief of the Federal Forest Service at Washington, D. C., who said only four per cent of the owners of small timber tracts practice conservation.

In the light of this fact, Granger said it is regrettable that the small owners control about 261,000,000 acres of forest while large companies, which practice conservation, control only 51,000,000 acres.

Body Said Possibly American Soldier's

GORIZIA, Italy—(AP)—The U. S. 88th Division reported Friday a man believed to have been an American soldier was found strangled northwest of Gorizia in the Venezia Giulia area disputed between Italy and Yugoslavia.

A piece of wire had been wound five times around the neck of the victim. One hand bore a ring of the Third Infantry Division. The body was clad only in olive drab shorts and was partly buried in a shallow grave. The body was found Thursday.

Northwest Board To Mull Car Lack

TACOMA, Wash. —(U.P.)— The Pacific Northwest Advisory Board said Friday manufacturers, packers and producers from Washington, Oregon and Idaho would meet in Spokane Sept. 19-20 to discuss the problem of transporting products with a short supply of railroad cars.

The PNAB consists of more than 2500 officials manufacturing and processing firms and growers' organizations and is devoted to constant improvement of shipping methods and efficient utilization of transportation facilities.

Col. J. Monroe Johnson, director of the Office of Defense Transportation, and L. M. Betts, manager of the railroad relations section of the car service division of the Association of American Railroads, will address delegates to the two-day business session.

Sleuths Form Super-Powered Private Investigating Agency

WASHINGTON —(U.P.)— Five of the nation's outstanding Hawkshaws—armed with microscopes, chemicals and lie-detectors—have banded together for a private war on crime.

They'll engage in battle with murderers, thieves, forgers, industrial saboteurs, or any other kind of scoundrel—but for a price. The public knows them as private detectives. Each is a scientist in a specific field of criminology.

Sets Plans

Dr. Lemoyne Snyder, lawyer-physician who is medical and legal director for the Michigan State Police, told about the formation of this private super-sleuth organization.

Accompanied by three other members of the anti-crime big five, Dr. Snyder came here to discuss the corporate set-up with former U. S. Attorney General Homer S. Cummings, who will act as general counsel.

Helps in Case

The fifth member of the firm, Leonard Keeler, the lie detector expert from Chicago, is in Germany to testify in the crown jewel robbery case, which he helped to break.

The other three members are Clark Sellers of Los Angeles, who can smell a forgery a mile away; William W. Harper, Pasadena physicist who developed a formula for figuring the speed of an automobile from its tire skid marks; and Raymond C. Schindler, New York private investigator who is a ballistics and fingerprint expert.

Will Cooperate

"No," said Dr. Snyder, "we don't plan to go into competition with Scotland Yard, the FBI or local police agencies. As a matter of fact, we'll cooperate with them. But there are lots of cases which aren't in the field of official work generally carried on by police and enforcement agencies."

He explained that the idea of combining the various talents in crime detection possessed by each of the five came to them many months ago as the result of a casual conversation. Each admired the others' work and they consulted with each other professionally.

Jap 'Confession' Aired at Trial

TOKYO — (U.P.) — A Japanese government document which the prosecution called a "confession" of murder of thousands of allied soldiers who were used as slave laborers to build a Burma-Siam railroad, was introduced at the war crimes trial Friday.

Wartime Premier Hideki Tojo, one of the 27 high Japanese on trial before the International Military Tribunal, was named as one of three men directly responsible for the slave labor deaths.

The document, a Japanese government report given voluntarily to Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headuarters, admitted 10,000 allied soldiers died in the deep and hellish jungle building a 300-mile railroad. Survivors of the ordeal earlier had testified that more than 16,000 American, Australian and British soldiers had been the victims of cruelty and disease.

Defense Objects

The defense made an unsuccessful attempt to keep the document from being introduced.

Allied prisoners were used, it said, because of the great need to build a military railroad in a hurry and there was no time to recruit native labor. Allied prisoners were considered stronger and better qualified for the work.

The report stated that "if anyone is called to account for the dreadful death rate, responsibility ought to be placed on the chief of the general staff (Gen. Sugiyama) who ordered the construction, the war minister (Tojo) who sanctioned the employment of prisoners, and the commander in chief of the South Asia Corps (Gen. Hisakichi Tarauchi) entrusted with on the spot construction."

Tarauchi died last month and Sugiyama committed suicide shortly after the close of the war.

Millers to Petition For Control Lifting

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — Industry petitions to take price controls off flour, bread, an bakery products will be filed with the Secretary of Agriculture in the next week, it was learned Thursday.

A spokesman for the Millers National Federation said the milling industry will base its petition on the fact that wheat represents 80 per cent of the total raw materials costs of flour manufacturers—and wheat is decontrolled.

OPA Wednesday granted millers a price boost of 20 cents a hundred pounds—their third increase in two months.

OPA Enforcer's Son Accused in Car Case

SALT LAKE CITY — (U.P.) — OPA enforcement agents, cracking down on black market operations in the sale of used automobiles, Friday accused the son of one of their own investigators.

Ray Bradford, son of Charles R. Bradford, OPA rent investigator, requested a delay in order to retain an attorney when he appeared before U. S. Commissioner E. M. Garnett. He was released on his own recognizance.

Bradford, Gomer Thomas and David G. Gibbs, all Salt Lake City used car dealers, and two salesmen employed by Gibbs were charged with offering automobiles for sale at above-ceiling prices.

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Mother Says Salary Small

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Peggy Ann Garner's mother says that 70 per cent of the 14-year-old movie actress' $1250 weekly contract isn't enough for expenses.

Peggy's father, Army Capt. William H. Garner, told the court he believed that more than 30 per cent should be held out for savings, taxes and insurance; that "the budget is a little hgh for domestic purposes."

Capt. Garner and his wife, Virginia, are being divorced. They were told to come back later to discuss the disbursements. The court approved the young Academy Award winner's new contract.

Peggy told reporters: "Whatever my mother thinks is good enough for me."

Five Eugeneans Form Flying Club

Five Eugene men were granted articles of incorporation Thursday under the title of Rainbow Flying Club, to own and operate an airplane for pleasure.

The men are Ernest Schrenk, Jr., H. V. Johnson, Kenneth E. Drew, Sol V. Cuddeback and Herbert Jacobson, and the plane, delivered four days ago, is a de luxe model Cessna 140—a two-passenger, high-winged monoplane with a closed cockpit.

The plane was bought through the Green Flying Service, Eugene, and the men fly it from the Eugene Airpark.

OPA Boosts Prices On Cotton Clothing

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — OPA Thursday authorized higher prices for several electrical household appliances, leather work gloves, cotton rugs and many types of lower-cost cotton clothing.

Price boosts ranging up to 15 per cent were allowed on knit underwear and nightwear for men, women and children; cotton hosiery; men's bandana work handkerchiefs and waterproofed clothing such as worn by fishermen.

Greyhound's New Bus To Be Exhibited Here

Greyhound's latest bus version will be available for inspection by the public Saturday at the Tenth and Willamette St. bus station. The coach will be on display from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

The bus is the type which Pacific Greyhound plans to place in service on Oregon highways. Deliveries of the new coaches are expected to begin within the next few months.

A safety feature of the new bus is its plastic trim which glows in the dark when the lights of other vehicles are reflected from it.

Fishing Rights Case Hinges on Ownership

THE DALLES—(AP)—Hearing of a circuit court suit against two Celilo Indian fishermen was postponed Thursday until it is determined whether the state has jurisdiction on the mid-Columbia River isle on which they were arrested last year.

The action was initiated by District Attorney Malcolm Wilkinson after the Indians tore down a fishing scaffold used by two commercial netters, E. F. Cramer and R. R. Cramer, The Dalles. Settlement of the jurisdictional question will be made after the scaffold site is inspected.

The Cramers' Island platform was torn down again last month by Indians in another dispute over fishing rights.

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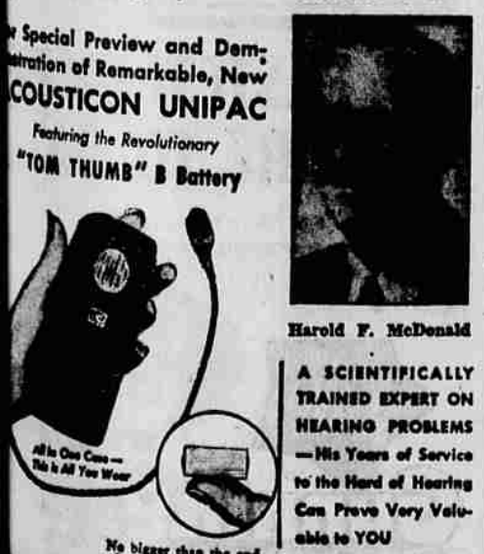

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