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Italy Agrees to Join in Anti-Piracy Patrol

Aerial Battle Over Canton

Chinese Fliers Rout Squadron 21 Jap Planes

Six to Ten Bombers Crash in Twisting Driving Dog Fights in Midair

Hongkong, Sept. 21 (AP)—Daring, death-defying aviators fought today the first great aerial battle of the Sino-Japanese war over Canton, South China city 100 miles to the north of this British owned city.

At least six, possibly ten, Japanese planes crashed in twisting, diving dog fights. One Chinese pursuit plane was seen to crash in flames. Others also may have fallen.

A bomb demolished the Tingho aviation school and other administration building. School bombs narrowly missed the Saichuen cement works. A number of civilians were reported killed.

A fleet of 21 Japanese raiding ships started the battle, appearing at early morning in the offensive direction.

U. S. Envoys on Two Warships

Nanking, Sept. 21 (AP)—The United States embassy staff established on two American warships in the Yangtze river will not flee from the Japanese threat of a destructive bombing of the capital unless subjected to direct bombing, Ambassador Nelson T. Johnson said today.

"We neither intend to subject ourselves to bombing or leave Nanking as long as Americans are here," members of the embassy staff said.

Johnson and part of the staff are aboard the gunboat Luzon and other staff members and the assistant military attaché aboard the Guam.

Johnson said the boats would move only when subjected to direct threats and return when the danger is past. Embassy work was proceeding busily on both vessels. The few embassy members who remained ashore were also swamped with work. The press of work was cited as one reason for not leaving the capital, because the ambassador is not willing to break connections with Nanking affairs.

He indicated his intention of going ashore tomorrow if things are quiet. Hundreds of thousands of Chinese watched a gray sky today and listened for the drones of airplane motors, awaiting the destruction of their capital and their homes by a Japanese air armada.

How-de-Do!

Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

The boys around the First National bank corner are getting pretty restive waiting for the first hunter to get back with his deer. The 45 minute parking is going to make it pretty tough on the first showoff but even at 45 minutes he can get a good three hour showoff in an afternoon by using eight different city blocks which is about the customary show-off for the first hunter back from the hills.

EASY MEAT

Speaking of hunting, Mrs. Carrie Fisher, Commercial and Wilson streets, bagged the first China rooster of the year yesterday without the aid of a gun. She heard something thumping at a window and thought some of the boys were throwing rocks at it. But on investigation she found the thumping was done by a China rooster which she captured with her own hands and took into town. That's the easiest way of capturing pheasants without a license and out of season.

We've put our financial wizards and statistical corps of experts at work figuring out how much this new traffic signal system is costing the town boys and girls in gasoline as they sit idly by, or sit idling by, as you wish, waiting for red lights to flash off and green lights to flash on. All the experts have to do is to find out how many cars wait out the red lights a day, and how much gas is consumed by each car at each



Brig. General Henry H. Denhardt

Black Silent On Start Home

London, Sept. 21 (AP)—Justice Hugo L. Black of the United States supreme court has started for home, still declining comment on American newspaper accounts contending that he is a member of the Ku Klux Klan.

The justice made a dash by auto to Southampton late yesterday and caught the small ship, City of Norfolk, two minutes before she sailed.

He had cancelled reservations aboard the Manhattan when news of his departure became public, and quietly booked passage on the smaller ship, with Mrs. Black, said.

The justice, with Mrs. Black, had been vacationing here and was seen much about London until the question of Klan membership was raised. Then he demanded privacy and refused for the remaining week of his stay here to make any comment for publication.

The ship is due at Norfolk, Va., September 29 and at Baltimore on September 30.

The justice checked out of his hotel yesterday and left for an undisclosed destination, still declining comment on published American newspaper accounts that he is a member of the Ku Klux Klan.

Teamsters Claim New Support

San Francisco, Sept. 21 (AP)—New support was claimed by teamsters in their jurisdictional fight against the longshoremen, as Pacific coast American Federation of Labor leaders met here today to organize a "marine council."

AFL leaders also planned "coast-wide reorganization" of the international longshoremen's association. John P. McLaughlin, teamsters' leader and president of the bay district joint council of teamsters, announced the organization had pledged "one hundred percent support of the teamsters union bay district blockade" against the longshoremen, headed by Harry Bridges.

McLaughlin said the joint council represented all teaming locals in the bay district with a membership of approximately 22,000.

"The legitimate labor groups affiliated with the AFL as indicated by the action of the council, are solidly behind the teamsters in their fight against the CIO," McLaughlin said. "We have had pledges of confidence from various other groups outside of our own crafts, also."

"The pledge of the joint council is not only a moral one, but their finances are pledged in support of the teamsters who will continue the blockade until the CIO concedes the warehousemen to the teamsters under the AFL award."

Bombing of Nanking Protested by Hull

Washington, Sept. 21 (AP)—Secretary Hull announced today the United States had made representations to Japan in protest against that nation's announced intentions to bomb Nanking from the air.

Through Ambassador Joseph C. Grew at Tokyo and Japanese Ambassador Hiroshi Saito in Washington, conveyed to the Japanese foreign office its opposition to the threatened aerial attack.

Hull said the protest was based chiefly on the grounds that the bombing of noncombatant populations was in violation of international and humanitarian laws.

Moreover, he said the American government protested because it might be calculated to interfere with normal relations between this govern-

Brothers Held For Murder of Gen. Denhardt

Shot on Eve of Second Trial in Revenge Murder of Sister, Mrs. Taylor

Shelbyville, Ky., Sept. 21 (AP)—The three brothers of comely Mrs. Verna Garr Taylor were charged today with the murder of Brig. Gen. Henry H. Denhardt on the eve of his second trial on a charge of slaying Mrs. Taylor, his 40-year-old fiancée.

The 61-year-old former Kentucky lieutenant general was to have gone on trial for a second time today at nearby New Castle charged with her slaying. His first trial, last April, ended with a jury's report it was deadlocked at seven to five for acquittal.

He was shot down on the main street here last night and died without making a statement.

Murder warrants against Roy, Jack and Dr. E. S. Garr, were sworn.

Flares Sighted In Arctic Wilds

Fairbanks, Alaska, Sept. 21 (AP)—Placing great importance in reports natives saw flares off the Barrow coast ten days ago, Soviet Pilot Alexei Graciansky and his crew of four prepared to take off early today in a new search of northern areas for the missing Soviet fliers.

Rumors were current here today that flares had also been sighted a few days ago by the Russian ice breaker Krassin 200 miles west of Barrow.

The possibility was considered here the flares were from small quantities of gasoline set afire.

Graciansky planned to fly north and west of Barrow to cover the area from where the reported flares might have originated. His flight will cover 2,500 miles.

In the meantime, Sir George Hubert Wilkins awaited the lifting of heavy clouds on the Mackenzie river delta before proceeding to Aklavik, N. W. T.

Pears Wilkins and his crew might have met with a mishap were dispatched yesterday when the explorer's party resumed radio communication with northern bases engaged in the search for the missing Soviet transpolar fliers.

Pinball Licenses Refused by Court

McMinnville, Sept. 21 (AP)—County Judge W. O. Powell announced the Yamhill county court will not grant a request to license pinball games outside of towns where municipal licenses now are in effect.

No steps will be taken to prohibit the games, however, pending an expected early ruling by the state supreme court, Powell said.

The sheriff and district attorney are restrained from interfering with games containing the element of skill, where municipally licensed, under an order signed by Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker.

Legion Stages Finest Parade In Its History

200,000 Vets March up Fifth Avenue — Given Rousing Greeting

New York, Sept. 21 (AP)—More than 200,000 veterans of the great war marched up Fifth avenue today in the greatest parade this city of notable parades, vast and magnificent spectacles, has ever known.

It was not just another American Legion convention parade.

To thousands it was a homecoming after eighteen years, and it brought a resurgence of those feelings of happiness and gratitude that marked the victory marches of 1919. These same men, now older, grayer, stouter, slower, were then striplings with hard muscles and weather-beaten faces fresh from manning the artillery and the trenches in France.

That high movement of emotions which hand music brings was evident long before the parade actually got under way at 8:55 a. m., (daylight time) within the shadow of the eternal light of Madison Square. The throngs were plainly in good spirit. The day, happily, was pleasant for marching and for watching, and veterans stepped along gaily.

Long before the movement of legions got under way New York—at least that part of its citizenry which could get away from the daily job—had moved into Fifth avenue, parking along the curbs with box lunches and thermos bottles, swarming in from the side.

Republicans Plan Strategy

Washington, Sept. 21 (AP)—John Hamilton, chairman of the republican national committee, asserted today his party workers were reporting a "trend away from Roosevelt."

He made the statement at a strategy conference of republican leaders from 10 of the nation's biggest cities who met with Hamilton to plan a campaign for recapturing congressional seats in key urban areas next year.

Hamilton said the meeting was one of a series for the purpose of seeing that the republicans "do not have an organization made up of a few men and women at the top, but a wide one coming up from the precincts and the wards."

He forecast "the most intensive congressional campaign in the history of the party."

The meeting of chairmen from cities and counties with more than 500,000 population—the first of its kind—was a prelude to a conference Thursday of the Executive Committee and officers of the National Republican committee.

Four In Hospital From Auto Crash

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Schab, Lester McWain and Mrs. Margaret Kuschnick, all of Salem, are at Salem Deaconess hospital with injuries received in an automobile collision on the Pacific highway north of Salem early this morning.

Mrs. Schab has a fracture in the right foot and one bone fractured in the left leg. Mrs. Kuschnick has a fractured ankle and a severe scalp laceration. The two men have severe lacerations of face and body.

Funeral Held for Thomas G. Masaryk

Prague, Czechoslovakia, Sept. 21 (AP)—One million persons lined the streets over a five mile route today for the funeral procession of former President Thomas G. Masaryk, founder of the republic.



American Legion Opens Annual Sessions—This was the scene in New York as the American Legion opened its annual convention in Madison Square Garden with state banners proudly designating where the boys come from. (Associated Press Photo.)

Loyalists Claim Rebel Defeat

(By the Associated Press)
Annihilation of two insurgent battalions was reported today from the far southern war front, midway between Cordoba and Badajoz, where government forces thrust forward in important gains.

Government dispatches declared one insurgent battalion was destroyed at Sima in a government counterattack following an insurgent advance protected by a heavy artillery barrage.

A second battalion, rushed up to reinforce weakened defenses of Granja de Torrehermosa, was wiped out where the government battle line balloon outward to within 100 miles of the Portuguese frontier.

Strategic government gains were reported in the region, 75 miles northwest of Cordoba, where war activity has been relatively slight recently while government and insurgent forces concentrated on northern battlefields.

Government troops were reported to have taken heights dominating the vital east-west Penarroya railway and houses on the outskirts of Granja de Torrehermosa while cavalry forces were striking at insurgent lines that cut the road to Azuaga, 10 miles south.

A hard battle in which insurgent forces accidentally turned their guns on one another was reported from the Aragon front, northeast of Madrid. Severe casualties were inflicted when insurgents mistook the enemy a patrol of their own which was under attack by government troops.

Britain Protests Nanking Bombing

London, Sept. 21 (AP)—Britain decided today to make strong representations to Japan against the bombing of private property in Nanking.

The foreign office instructed Sir Robert Leslie Craigie, British ambassador to Tokyo, to make the representations against bombing other than military objectives in the Chinese capital.

Sir Robert was instructed to make clear that Britain will hold Japan responsible for any damage to Japanese life and property.

The British naval commander in China delivered a similar warning to Japanese in Shanghai yesterday, and the British embassy had decided to remain open at Nanking despite a Japanese disclaimer of responsibility for foreign lives since noon today.

Wenchel Counsel For Revenue Bureau

Washington, Sept. 21 (AP)—President Roosevelt has appointed John Philip Wenchel, a veteran of 23 years' service in government work, to be chief counsel for the internal revenue bureau.

He was sworn in late yesterday. A former Baltimore lawyer, he has been serving the treasury as assistant general counsel.

He succeeds Morrison Shafroth, who resigned with Russell J. Ryan, his assistant, in disagreement with superiors on the preparation of evidence for the recent congressional investigation of tax evasion and avoidance.

Stadelman's Hat in Ring

(By Harry Crain)
A new picture today hung in Oregon's gallery of potential candidates for their parties' nominations for governor next year—that of P. J. Stadelman of The Dalles, former secretary of state by appointment to fill out the unexpired term of the late Hal Hoar.

While Stadelman has frequently been mentioned as a possible contender for various elective offices since he retired as secretary in 1935 to return to private business, he has remained deaf to all such proposals except that which projected him into the legislature as senator from Wasco county last year.

He still has three years to serve in the senate.

The first intimation that Stadelman was being considered by the legislature was reported in a dispatch from the legislature.

Roosevelt Says PWA Now Ended

Hyde Park, Sept. 21 (AP)—Discussing his approval of the final allotments under the public works extension act, the president said this meant the end of PWA.

He added that while the emergency had not passed for some agencies, like the works progress administration and possibly some additional lending now and then by the reconstruction finance corporation, he felt it had ended for others.

He said government spending for public works from now on would be confined to his previously announced annual expenditure of \$500,000,000 for all kinds of public works, to be administered by the regular federal agencies affected.

He said he probably would make a public radio address before his new budget measure is sent to congress, explaining the division on the proposed \$500,000,000.

The national emergency council, created in 1933 to coordinate the vast regular and emergency agencies of the new deal, has been abolished by presidential proclamation.

Mr. Roosevelt ordered the council yesterday to clear up its business by December 31 and turn its records, equipment and property over to the budget bureau.

Body Identified

The Dalles, Sept. 21 (AP)—Police tentatively identified the body of a man found on the Oregon shore of the Columbia river near Celilo last night as Garland Eldridge, 27, of Portland. His rowboat was reported swamped near Rufus a week ago.

Plan Synchronization Of Traffic Lights

Synchronization of timing of Salem's new street traffic signals to permit of uninterrupted directional flow of motor traffic through the downtown district is being worked out and will be placed in operation within the next few days, according to John S. Beakey, traffic engineer for the state highway department, who is advising the city on technical details of the installation.

Says CIO Leader Is Communist

Portland, Sept. 21 (AP)—Charles W. Robison, counsel for the AFL, charged today at a national labor relations board hearing that Harold J. Pritchett of Vancouver, B. C., president of the CIO international woodworkers of America, had "communist leanings."

Robison introduced copies of the October 9, 1935, Surrey Leader, weekly publication of Cloverdale, B. C., saying "communist leaders" attended a funeral service and "Comrade Pritchett" delivered a short address.

Trial Examiner William P. Webb of Washington, D. C., is holding a hearing on a CIO petition for an election at Portland sawmills. The mill industry is virtually shut down by a jurisdictional fight between the CIO and AFL.

E. J. Eagen, labor board attorney, opposed introduction of the evidence, saying it had nothing to do with the case and "was confusing."

Robison also charged Pritchett attended a communistic steering committee meeting in Norman Hall, Tacoma, on July 14 prior to the opening of the woodworkers convention. The convention accepted a CIO charter.

Hilles Retires as Republican Boss

New York, Sept. 21 (AP)—Charles D. Hilles, republican national committee man for more than two decades, ended his political career today. He sent his resignation to Chairman William S. Murray of the republican state committee.

Hilles, long a dominant figure in national politics, said in a letter to Murray, that he desired to take no "responsible" part in the 1940 presidential contest.

The 70-year-old financier said that pressure of business necessitated his withdrawal from active participation in politics.

American Dies From Bubonic Plague

Hongkong, Sept. 21 (AP)—Alfred Hicks, editor of the Hongkong Telegraph and resident correspondent for the United Press, died today from cholera, which has threatened to develop into an epidemic in this British crown colony.

Hicks, a native of England, had lived here for many years.

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Newburgh, Ind.—A grasshopper plague has invaded the classroom. Teachers complained their schools were "literally alive" with the grasshoppers, and that the children, particularly the girls, were disturbed by the pests.

League Invites China and Japan To Participate

Germany and Australia Also Asked to Probe Chinese Charges

Rome, Sept. 21 (AP)—Italy agreed tonight to join Britain and France in anti-piracy patrol of the Mediterranean.

Foreign minister, Count Galeazzo Ciano, advised the British and French governments of Italy's readiness to join the patrol, on the basis of parity with those two nations.

Britain and France, the Italian government said, have agreed to this new demand.

Italy previously had refused to join the patrol, set up by nine powers at Nyon, because she was offered only a comparatively minor role, as guardian over the Tyrrhenian sea just off her coast.

The communique observed that the Italian decision, like the preceding one concerning the Mediterranean anti-piracy patrol, had been taken with full knowledge of the German government.

Geneva, Sept. 21 (AP)—Both Japan and China today were invited to participate in League of Nations committee consideration of Chinese accusations branding Japan an aggressor.

Public Works Projects Okehed

Hyde Park, N. Y., Sept. 21 (AP)—Announcing approval of final allocations under the 1937 public works extension act, President Roosevelt today endorsed as "sound public policy" Secretary Ickes' rejection of a large number of projects because it was found that the applicants could finance them without federal aid.

In a statement released by Secretary Marvin H. McIntryre, the President was said to have taken this stand in view of the "need" to curtail the federal budget and the improved financial status of many communities through the country.

"The statement said there also had been a 'decreasing need' for stimulation of employment through PWA construction 'with the passing of the economic extremity,' and the President felt that the administration had 'fulfilled its obligation under the present law.'"

The final projects approved were not detailed, but were described as a few of the "border-line" variety. They brought to 1,233 the number of projects under the new program, with grants of \$113,034,735 and loans of \$58,000,000.

Since the WPA began in 1933, the statement added, allotments have been made for 10,605 non-federal projects costing \$2,759,172,739. Of these, 7,845 costing \$1,208,539,612 have been completed, creating to date 61,988,747 man hours of direct employment.

Novelties in the News

(By Associated Press)
Greenville, Ala.—Willie Chief Gus Murphy will back Willie Lee Bogan against the field in any drowsiness derby.

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Jacksonville, Fla.—During a violent thunderstorm Dr. T. F. Johnson suddenly felt a premonition all was not well at home, where his wife and 9-day-old son were alone.

He drove hurriedly to his residence. A moment before he arrived (Concluded on page 4, column 6)