

Army Ready With Plans for Largest Army

Washington, Aug. 29 (AP)—The army was ready with tentative timetables and plans today to start building the largest peacetime force in the nation's history.

An order from President Roosevelt for the progressive mobilization of the national guard would start the program through its first phases. The chief executive acquired the mobilization authority under legislation he signed Tuesday night.

House passage of the conscription bill, approved last night by the senate, would clear the way for the second part of the program.

The guard mobilization, army officers have told congress, was an essential preliminary to the training of conscript levies.

Assuming a presidential order is forthcoming, tentative plans provide for calling up the first contingent of 55,000 guardsmen for a year's active training on Sept. 15 and 165,000 more by Dec. 1, giving a total of 220,000.

If conscription is enacted, the plan tentatively is to have 400,000 conscripts start their year's service by the end of December, another 400,000 on April 1, 1941 and similar half-yearly increments until Oct. 1, 1944. The date of the first conscription would depend on how soon the bill is approved.

Where summoning of the national guard requires only a military order, the registration and selection of conscripts involves numerous problems. As the conscription bill passed the senate, it left the exact procedure to the president, but Senator Minton (D-Ind) gave the senate the schedule recommended by a joint army and navy committee.

This schedule provides that 15 days after conscription becomes law, some 12,000,000 young men from 21 through 30 must go to their local voting places to register.

Skunk Disperses Comedy Troupe

Whitefield, N. H. (AP)—A summer troupe played the musical comedy "Good News" at the Chase Barn playhouse.

During the singing of one of the numbers—"The World Belongs to Everyone, The Best Things in Life Are Free"—a skunk crawled under the stage and joined the chorus in the only way he knew.

Some members of the audience raced to the village for chloride of lime—others held their noses while Stage Manager Torrey McKenny assisted by a coile dog routed the skunk.



The end of Treasure Island as the picturesque setting of the Golden Gate International Exposition is near, for the fair closes September 29 and this beautiful scene will be no more. There still is time, however, to see Treasure Island, its color, its gardens, its illumination and its shows.

Salem Leads in Placements

With bean picking still near its height and hop picking getting underway, Salem led the 21 state employment offices in placements for the third successive week, according to the reports compiled for Director L. C. Stoll. Of the 1118 new jobs reported by Don McBain, Salem manager, 1010 were casual referrals.

Medford advanced to second place this week with pear picking and early hops in the Grants Pass area sending placements up to 618, of which 590 were supplemental. Others high included Klamath Falls 284, Eugene 273, Portland 233, Albany 177 and Corvallis 140.

Because of the active harvest season, the Salem employment office is unable to fill many calls for women and girls for domestic work, waitresses and other jobs, says Manager McBain. With fruits, beans and hops keeping thousands of workers busy until school opening, September 16, officials expect the shortage of help in many lines to continue into the fall months.

Branches are being operated from the Salem office both at Independence for the hop fields and at West Stayton for the bean harvest. Mobile farm camps are accommodating several hundred families at both places under direction of the farm security administration.

Peace in Balkans Essential to Hitler

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Bombs raining on England and Germany almost drown out other operations but there are two matters of great importance to the battle of Britain which at the moment fall within the field of words rather than bullets—(1) the anxious efforts of the Hitler-Mussolini brotherhood to prevent a Balkan war, and (2) the growing Franco-British animosity.

The German and Italian foreign ministers, Von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano, met in Vienna today with representatives of Rumania and Hungary to try to compose the volcanic quarrel resulting from the Hungarian claim to Rumanian Transylvania. A Balkan war might easily grow out of this fight, and that might represent a catastrophe for the axis powers.

There are two vital reasons why Hitler and Mussolini must maintain peace on the peninsula. One is that they must have the vast supplies of war materials and food stuffs which they get from the Balkans. The other is even more important—that of keeping Russian in hand.

The ways of the Sphinx of Moscow, Josef Stalin, are all but inscrutable—but not quite. The axis partners have given indications that they suspect him of intending to increase his influence through the Balkan situation. Indeed, some observers believe there is a chance he may become involved in war against the axis, and that is something which Messrs Hitler and Mussolini must head off at all costs until the Battle of Britain is settled.

The tenseness of the situation in the Balkans, and the great potentialities of damage to the axis cause, undoubtedly have had considerable to do with Hitler's delay in his major attack on England.

While Hitler and Mussolini are finding a threat in the Balkans, the increasing hostility of the French government to Britain shows signs of being a possible breeder of difficulties for England.

The charge by the Petain government that Britain is inspiring rebellion in the former's African empire is the latest development in a feud which has swelled in bitterness ever since the allied collapse in the battle of Flanders. The accusation is based on the decision of the French colony of Chad in central Africa to side with England rather than with Petain.

The Saturday Nile card club met at the William Pearson home, with three tables of cards in play. High scores went to Mrs. J. L. Calavan and Mack Robbins, and low to Mrs. Mack Robbins and J. L. Calavan. Lunch was served at midnight to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schermacher, Mr. and Mrs. Herman DeLangh, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Robbins, Lucille Robbins, W. L. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Calavan and the hosts.

George Hersberg, son of the Carl Hersbergs, is working in Alaska. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith and family and Mr. and Mrs. Grover Stephens motored to eastern Oregon by way of Retrol and returned by the Columbia river highway.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman DeLangh and Paul Heiser motored to the coast recently, going on the Salmon river cutoff and returning via Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hersberg and family are moving from the place where they have lived for several years onto the G. P. Stephens place.

Charles Smith, owner of the Marion grocery store, has purchased a new Plymouth pickup.

The bean harvest is nearly completed in this vicinity and the prune harvest is just beginning.

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Astoria's 29th Annual Regatta In Full Swing

Astoria, Ore., Aug. 29 (AP)—Astoria's 29th Annual Regatta was in full swing today, unhampered by a fire which Monday night burned down the regatta pavilion which was to have been headquarters for the three day water festival.

Admiral Thomas Luke of Portland crowned Queen Jean Pauling on Gyro field last night before 2000 people in a ceremony switched at the last minute from the burned pavilion.

Today inboard racing boats from Puget Sound and California opened the water program on the Columbia river before a grandstand erected in two days by volunteer workmen under direction of City Engineer George McClean.

Sailing races, outboard events, a parade of 40 visiting yachts and nautical entertainment were scheduled to provide three full days of marine spectacle, while dancing and carnival events are on each night's program, climaxing with the queen's ball Saturday night.

Chairman Fred Ransom of the regatta committee said no event had been cut off the program despite the late switch in plans forced by the fire.

Conrad Koski, Astoria, landed a 52 pound salmon Tuesday to take the lead in the annual river salmon derby that ends Monday. It was largest fish caught by a competitor in history of the derby.

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Church Young People Hold Social Evening; Sherman Erecting Dwelling

The young people of the Evangelical church and invited guests held a social evening at the home of Rev. and Mrs. William Elmer. A Bible quiz and an old-fashioned spelling match were features of the evening's entertainment. Don Davis proved to be the best speller in the group. At the close of the evening refreshments were served to 26 people.

O. E. Sherman, local water superintendent and city marshal, is building a small house on the Dan Donahue property he purchased recently. S. Y. Evans, who suffered a paralytic stroke about a year ago, will occupy the house.

Mrs. Frank Higgins and two sons and daughter of Minneapolis, Minn., are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bell, and her sister, Mrs. George Davis, and family.

Mrs. Emma Wheabee is spending some time with relatives in Salem and Portland. She will also visit her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Welter at Warm Springs.



Attention—You're in for a treat... the kids from "Hell's Kitchen" have reformed and they've joined the elite in "The Dead End Kids On Parade," playing today through Friday at the State Theatre. "Buck Benny Rides Again," starring Jack Benny, Rochester, Phil Harris and Andy Devine is held over by popular demand.

Dates for 4-H Club Contests at Fair

County 4-H Club Leader Wayne Harding has just been advised as to the dates when Marion county entrants in demonstrations and judging will participate at the state fair.

Monday morning Erma Kuenzi from this county is entered in the bread baking contest. Monday afternoon the home economics judging teams from this county will be at work these teams being paired off as follows: Verlie Duke and Donna Upjohn, Alice Roberts and Grace Ashford, Rita Wellman and Myra Kallier, Carol King and Frances King.

Wednesday a home economics demonstration team in homemaking will give a demonstration, this team being made up of Erma Kuenzi and Coralee Nichols. A miscellaneous demonstration will be given the same day by Wilma Gorton and Phyllis Nelson.

Thursday a cookery demonstration team, made up of Marjorie Rodgers and Dorothy Hershfeld, is scheduled, and Saturday Laurel Krenz will prepare and serve a dollar dinner as the Marion county entrant.

The style revue Friday evening will have three girls entered from Marion county, these county winners being Ruthie Terhune, Verlie Saucy and Frances King.

Leader Harding stated that all of those participating in the events listed will be entitled to six consecutive meals and one night's lodging at the 4-H club dormitory at the fair.

Livestock judging by Marion county teams will start at 7:30 o'clock Monday morning.

The county 4-H club and livestock fair will be held tomorrow and Saturday at the state fairgrounds here to establish the state fair entries from this county. Division in this fair will include dairy, sheep and hog entries, as well as poultry and rabbits, and included will be livestock judging contests and special demonstrations.

The county 4-H show will have no crops exhibit this year and members wishing to display crop exhibits are asked to take them directly to the fair.

Unionvale—Re-painting the yellow center line of the Dayton-Salem state highway through this area was in progress this week by the state highway maintenance crew, using modern painting machinery.

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Marriages to Foreigners Opposed

Singapore, (AP)—Princes and princesses of the royal family in Siam have been notified by the bureau of the royal Siamese household that marriage with foreigners is against the wishes of the King of Siam. It is learned in Singapore.

Prince Bira ("Bira, the racing motorist"), and Prince Chula, his manager, both have English wives. They married with the special permission of the Siamese regency.

Orders were issued last year to Siamese military officers studying abroad, also to officials of the Siamese foreign ministry, requesting them not to marry, foreigners without special permission.

Wheabouts Are Expected

Solo—Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wheadon of Oakland, Calif., are expected this week at the home of Mrs. Wheadon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nadvornik, Solo. She will remain a few weeks while her husband is working this part of the northwest along salesmanship lines.



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