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SENATE REJECTS SEAWAY PACT



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WASHINGTON, March 14.—The inside yarn on the code authorities' conference is that it produced the greatest scientific discovery of the age.

General Johnson found out for sure what happens when the irresistible force meets the immovable object. The answer is: Nothing. Both sides back off and try to get around each other.

Johnson was the irresistible force, demanding a 10 per cent reduction in hours. The business leaders provided themselves to be immovable. They flinty let the general understand that if President Roosevelt tried to impose such an order on them it would mean something akin to industrial civil war.

Insiders are now betting even money that no important consequences will be forthcoming for a long time.

Trends
A comparison of General Johnson's first, second and third speeches before the code authorities will give you a tip on what happened.

In the first, he was going to impose the hour reduction. He hinted at an executive order to be issued by the president. The second speech still carried the same hint, but in milder form. Exemptions were mentioned. The third speech omitted all previous hints and said "we boys will have to get together."

Meaning
It sounds like a big victory for the business team, but it is only a reprieve.

The administration is not in a good position to compel business to take several million unemployed off its hands just now. Two months of industrial improvement are coming. Both the government and business will know much better in 60 days the extent of their problem.

For the long run, shorter hours and even national industrial planning are still vivid possibilities. They may come after the election in November.

Author
NRA'ers say the 10 per cent curtailment plan was neither General Johnson's original idea, nor President Roosevelt's, although both espoused it.

They hint the real originator of the project was Secretary Perkins, who did not appear in the public picture.

General Johnson's selection of George Houston, the president of the Baldwin Locomotive Co., as head of the heavy industries committee was significant. Houston has been foremost in contending that what is wrong with the heavy industries is the securities act.

ADMINISTRATION SUFFERS SETBACK FOR PET PROJECT

St. Lawrence Treaty With Canada Falls of Ratification by 46 to 42 Vote—Fears Canadian Control

WASHINGTON, March 14.—(AP)—The senate today rejected the St. Lawrence waterway treaty with Canada.

The vote was for ratification, 46 to 42 against, which was far short of the required two-thirds.

The vote administered the first major legislative setback for the Roosevelt administration.

President Roosevelt had urged ratification in two communications to the senate as a step toward opening vast interior areas of the United States to ocean commerce and providing cheap electricity for his own state of New York, but the opposition of a large group of Democrats and Republicans proved too strong.

Only a while before the treaty vote he told reporters he would send the treaty back for consideration when there is time, the giant waterway is going to be built anyway and he feared that failure of ratification would place the seaway entirely under Canadian control.

To reach the vote, treaty opponents withdrew all reservations to the resolution of ratification, paving the way for a clear-cut vote on the pact without strings.

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Entire Crew Rescued When U. S. Gunboat Burns

ROOSEVELT SEES DANGER IN VETS' BONUS PAY PLAN

Use of Paper Money Might Lead to Meeting Running Expenses of Government Is President's Viewpoint

WASHINGTON, March 14.—(AP)—The house today tentatively adopted an amendment to the independent offices supply bill to restore 5 per cent of cut federal pay as of Feb. 1, and 5 per cent on July 1.

The vote was 157 to 139. The senate voted for restoration of five per cent as of Feb. 1 and returning the full 15 per cent on next July 1, the end of the fiscal year.

The differences now will be adjusted in conference by committees representing the two branches.

A vote on the senate action in increasing veterans benefits then was in order.

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In a special dispatch to the journal here today from Washington, D. C., Rep. Pierce gave his views on the bonus question. He was one of the house members who voted to issue \$2,400,000,000 in currency for the soldiers.

Zero Hour Near For Licensing Medford Dogs

The time set for payment of dog licenses in Medford by County Judge Earl B. Day and Mayor E. M. Wilson, in an official notice of March 4, is nearing expiration and many dogs are still without licenses, it was announced today.

Dog owners were given 30 days in which to pay the tax. Today is March 14, and with expiration of the 30-day period, the license price will be doubled and dog owners will be subject to fines, if the tax has not been paid.

Licenses can be obtained at the county clerk's office in the court house. The price is \$1 for males and \$1.50 for females.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS ISSUE STATEMENT ON ASHLAND SPLIT

In view of the widespread interest in the matter and, due to the desire to acquaint the public with the exact reasons for the action taken, the Medford high school athletic authorities issued a formal statement today on the Medford-Ashland athletic situation.

The recent barn painting episode with the subsequent suspension of eight first-string Medford players from the public mind. Also, the same last Friday when a makeshift lineup of first, second and third stringers played inspired ball to win is still a matter for a considerable amount of local conversation.

However, local school authorities want the fact firmly understood that these incidents have not been responsible for the break in athletic relations.

It is plain, the local authorities say, that if they had intended to resent the Ashland protest which resulted in the suspension, the time to have done so would have been before the game was played, not afterward. Also, the outcome of the game itself obviously could have no bearing on the recent action.

The actual reasons for the break are of long standing, and the recent controversy is only one example of numerous incidents over a period of years when the two schools have found peaceable relationships impossible.

From time to time Medford high school authorities have found the task of choosing referees for athletic contests, judging for debates and commercial contests and other decisions where co-operation is imperative, an arduous one as far as Ashland has been concerned. A weary process of controversy and bickering has inevitably resulted from attempts to choose an arbiter acceptable to both parties. An illustration of this unsatisfactory situation is to be found in the game last week when the referee had to be brought from Portland at an approximate expense of \$50 before the problem could be settled during the last three days.

Often the whole tone of the negotiations on the part of Ashland authorities has been that Medford could not be trusted. The chief danger has been that this distrust has been transferred to the students and the attendant emotionality has resulted in episodes similar to the one which occurred recently. It was these facts that have led the local school authorities to conclude that both schools would be better off if relations were severed temporarily and feelings on all sides allowed to cool.

Although Medford has suffered financial loss through athletic competition with Ashland, this fact is not a reason for breaking relations. Also, the break is viewed locally as strictly temporary and by no means permanent. At no time has a request been brought against Ashland or a permanent break contemplated.

In a statement made this morning, Principal C. G. Smith of Medford high school stated: "In order that the people of Medford and Ashland may have an accurate knowledge of just what the attitude of Medford school officials is toward the present Medford-Ashland high school athletic situation, I am offering the following statement of our position in the matter: In the first place, let me say that there has been no intent on our part to definitely and permanently sever athletic relations with Ashland. The decision to discontinue basketball competition for the year was prompted by a feeling that the athletic relations between the two schools would be improved thereby, or at least they would not become more strained than they were following the last basketball game between the two schools.

ARMY AIR CHIEF DENIES LOSSES WERE EXCESSIVE

Fifty Army Air Deaths Cited in Fiscal Year Before Mail Carrying Attempt—Will Find Cause of Accidents

WASHINGTON, March 14.—(AP)—President Roosevelt is shaping a concerted national aviation policy which will include not only the air activities of the army and navy and marine corps but the customs, internal revenue and commerce branches as well.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—(AP)—Charles A. Lindbergh, Clarence Chamberlin, Eddie Rickenbacker and William Mitchell are to be asked to give their views on permanent air mail legislation to the senate postoffice committee.

They will be asked to appear before the committee Friday Chairman McKellar said.

NEW YORK, March 14.—(AP)—Maj. Gen. Benjamin D. Foulois, chief of the army air service, arrived from Washington to inspect Mitchell field today and declared that army air casualties "have not been excessive in any way, shape or form."

The air chief arrived in a plane which he piloted himself. To support an expressed contention that fatalities have not been high due to the carrying of armory by the army, he cited that 50 army air deaths in the fiscal year 1932-33, in 1933. The fiscal year begins in July.

"To date," he said, "there have been 39 deaths. Of course, according to the law of averages, there will be more."

Foulois will go to Chicago tomorrow and return to Washington by Saturday. He met Maj. B. C. Jones, head of the eastern zone at Mitchell field and telegraphed to the heads of western zones to meet him at Chicago.

He said he intended to make thorough inspection of personnel and equipment and report the facts to the newly created air investigating commission next week. He is a member of the commission.

"I am going to find out myself what it is all about and then I'm going back to tell them all about it," he said.

ANTI-SALES TAX PROPAGANDA HIT BY SCHOOL HEAD

State sales tax, which will be voted on at the primaries May 15, was discussed at the Lions club this noon by C. R. Bowman, county school superintendent, guest speaker today. Mr. Bowman refuted a number of alleged falsehoods he said had been made concerning the sales tax.

\$255,000 GRANT SOUGHT TO SAVE RURAL SCHOOLS

Affidavits Are Sent to Governor Meier for Signing Before Going to Federal Relief Administration

PORTLAND, Ore., March 14.—(AP)—Affidavits which will bring to Oregon a grant of \$255,000 from the federal emergency relief administration for maintenance of rural schools up to June 1 were today sent to Governor Meier for signature.

Elmer Goudy, state emergency relief administrator, announced that the affidavits, drawn up by C. A. Howard, state superintendent of public instruction, are in line with a general educational relief program all over the country.

The statements will be forwarded at once to Harry L. Hopkins, federal relief administrator, as soon as they are signed by the governor. The funds will be available immediately. Under this program all schools serving less than 5000 population, unable to operate until June despite greatest efforts of directors to obtain funds for maintenance, will be eligible for this money which will be used to pay teachers' salaries.

Superintendent Howard has estimated Oregon's needs at \$255,000 and this amount probably will be authorized by Washington, D. C.

Teachers who have been paid by warrants in rural schools, and who are unable to cash the warrants except at financial loss, will come under the scope of the program. Their wages will be paid in cash until the end of the school year in June.

AIRPLANE MODELS WORK OF ULRICH

Exhibiting again the ability of Medford's younger generation in various fields of endeavor many airplane models, made by Russell Ulrich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ulrich, fill the Chamber of Commerce window today.

They are copies of commercial planes, well known to many people, and have been made accurately to the scale of one-quarter inch to the foot.

All details, as far as possible, have also been carried out to duplicate the real plane.

The work of the local youth has attracted much attention, especially from engineers, since the planes were placed on display.

\$150 SPENT TUESDAY BY LOCAL DRINKERS

The state liquor store in Medford is continuing to do a good business, it was announced today with report of a \$150 day yesterday. Earl Poy, manager of the store, stated that he wished to remind the public that permits are to be secured at the store and they are not available any place else in Medford. He stated that there seemed to be some misunderstanding regarding this matter.

Fess' Son Figures In Airmail Inquiry



Paul Henderson, airline official, told the senate airmail investigating committee that Lehr Fess (above), son of Senator Simeon Fess of Ohio, had been paid a fee of "\$3,000 or \$5,000" for "expediting" passage of a bill affecting mail routes. (Associated Press Photo)

ROARS FILL AIR AS UTAH QUAKE CRACKS SURFACE

SALT LAKE CITY, March 14.—(AP) Growling and roaring sounds that accompanied the splitting of the earth's crust near Kosmo, Utah, at the northern end of Great Salt Lake during Monday's earthquake, continued in diminished volume today.

Describing the phenomena that attended the shocks in this vicinity, M. T. Shore, Southern Pacific railroad agent at Kelton, Utah, said today:

"The earthquake played its best tricks at Kosmo, where at least 40 gushing wells poured forth on the ground and flooded an area of several hundred feet.

"The north end of Great Salt Lake pushed out over the landscape after the first shock and spread its salt water over an area of about two miles beyond its normal bounds. Within 12 hours the water receded again, leaving great ponds in the lower places.

"Approximately two miles east of here a great roar filled the air as a huge crack, about 15 inches wide, opened in the earth's surface. The east face of the crack had dropped from three to 14 inches in various places.

"A short time later there was another deafening roar and another crack opened up a few hundred feet from the first. Both ran across the Kosmo-Hansel valley highway and traffic was suspended until they were filled.

"The cracks extended for several miles and all who saw the earth heaving reported that the breaking was accompanied by loud roars. The growling and roaring continued yesterday and today.

"All Monday night and yesterday, less severe quakes were felt and sometimes eight or more occurred within an hour. People residing in the vicinity were terrified and many hastened to pack their belongings and prepared to move.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—(AP)—The senate judiciary committee today approved the nomination of Florence Allen as a judge of the federal circuit court of appeals.

BRITISH VESSEL REACHES SCENE IN NICK OF TIME

U. S. S. Fulton On Duty In Chinese Waters Burns In Bias Bay—Crew Takes to Boats to Escape Flames

HONG KONG, Thursday, March 15.—(AP)—All officers and men of the United States gunboat Fulton, which burned in Bias Bay, arrived here this morning.

HONGKONG, March 15.—(AP)—(Thursday)—Two rescue vessels reported early today they had saved 187 men from the United States gunboat Fulton which burned in Bias bay, 80 miles northeast of here. It was believed the 187 composed the complete ship's personnel.

Only meager details of the destruction of the gunboat came to the naval base from H. M. S. Wishart. The British destroyer made its first report at 8:21 p. m.

"Received radio from Fulton stating ship burning seriously. Wants help. Going to assistance."

At 10:30 p. m., the Wishart reported: "Arrived. Taking crew from boats. Ship abandoned. Timan also taking survivors. All boats not yet recovered."

The British naval authorities advised Douglas Jenkins, United States consul, who went to the U. S. S. Mindanao now in drydock, to obtain additional news.

The U. S. S. Tulsa had left Hongkong, bound for the north, and no other American warship was close to the Fulton.

The rescued men will be accommodated at the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home and in the new, palatial China fleet club. Naval and port authorities are extending all courtesies.

MAYOR DECLINES DUTIES OF CUPID

A mayor has many duties to perform, expects them and tries his best to do justice by them, but matrimony service is a bit out of his line—at least so it is with Mayor E. M. Wilson, he declared today.

What with sewers and airports and liquor rulings to think about, he really doesn't have time to recommend suitable husbands to matrimonially inclined women. He received a letter this week from one, who feels that there are eligible men (attention, all bachelors) right here at home. She wants the mayor to help her locate them.

And although he hasn't the time to look them up, if any wish to turn in their names, Mayor Wilson's office is on the main floor of the city hall. (Age limit 45 to 95.)

COOS COUNTY JUDGE SUFFERS BROKEN HIP

MARSHFIELD, March 14.—(AP)—D. F. Thompson, Coos county judge, was confined to a hospital bed today for treatment of a fractured hip, suffered Tuesday when he fell from the hay-mow of his barn. He may be incapacitated for three months, physicians said.

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Mar. 13.—Well, just as the airmail stopped that famous new streamlined train pulled into our village. It looks like more than an ad. It looks like a fact. Railroads are waking up now. They are speeding up and giving great service and getting their rates down, finally competing with the bus and truck now instead of just existing 'em.

Trouble with American transportation is that you can get somewhere quicker than you can think of a reason for going there. What we need now is a new excuse to go somewhere.

Will Rogers
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