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POWERS MAKE READY FOR SHOWDOWN

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BERLE TO QUIT CAPITAL SCENE WITH RELIEF EARLY BRAIN-TRUSTER AT OUTFITS WITH LEFT-WINGERS CONSIDERED TRAITOR BY PRESENT ADVISERS OF F. R. BERLE CONVINCED HIS SUCCESSORS INTRIGUERS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—In a week or so, Adolf Augustus Berle, Jr., returns to the comfortable bosom of Columbia university. His second career in the new deal, as assistant secretary of state, has been brief but arduous. What with one thing and another, it's likely Berle will have some relief in his heart when he shakes Washington's dust from his feet.

If the President were a more sentimental man, he would have kept Berle around as a memento of the first brain trust—a sort of undried immortal. With Ray Moley in deep-sea direpote, Rex Tugwell in the city planning business, and Hugh Johnson in a rage, it was nice to know that Adolf Berle still survived in the new deal. Now that he is going, the only remaining members of the President's first set of intellectual friends are the ones who wouldn't take jobs. Felix Frankfurter and Justice Samuel Rosenman of the New York supreme court.

It seems a little ironic, under the circumstances, that the departing Berle back should be the target for the curses of his brain trust successors. The new deal left-wingers, and especially those close to the White House, have no names bad enough to call him. "Tory," "Morgan's man," "defender of monopoly" and "big business" boomer from within, are a selection of the milder epithets. For his art, Berle leaves convinced that his successors are intriguers, hungry for power, not to be trusted by honest men.

The truth is, of course, that the whole misunderstanding is pretty silly. Yet it casts an interesting illumination on the current Washington scene.

Berle's explanation of the new left-wingers' attitude attributes to them a remarkable degree of suspicion. When he left the administration for the first time to serve New York's Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, one of his tasks was to put New York financing on a sounder basis. At that time, all city bonds were handled by a syndicate headed by the Chase bank. In-

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WILLIAM POWELL HAS ABDOMINAL OPERATION

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Sept. 8.—(AP)—William Powell successfully underwent an abdominal operation at a hospital this morning. The movie star was said to be resting well. The nature of his illness was not revealed.

SIDE GLANCES

by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Reese O'Neill amusing patrons with his fly-swatting endeavors, he missing nine times out of ten and driving all the flies to one corner of the store.

Ralph O. Stephenson acting like a woman in changing his mind hourly on whether or not to run for the state legislature, he giving party leaders the finger.

Author Isabel Stuart wearing a fancy little hat through the top of which her hair protruded in a lovely brown wisp.

Madeleine Ryan, Dorothy Perl, Ann Puzon and an unidentified fourth playing bridge for an hour before discovering one deck of cards had four queens missing, they apparently too wrapped up in conversation to allow the missing queens to interfere with their bridge playing.

Chuck Baum relating thrilling experiences of a neighborhood prowler whom he was not able to catch up with the prowler doing his prowling un-interfered with.

Jim Swinerton defending the sale of fake sweepstakes tickets, by declaring that American money should be kept in America.

HITLER EXPECTED TO REVEAL INTENT IN MONDAY TALK

Britain Summons Cabinet Meeting—Sudeten Refuses Further Negotiation Until Whipping Adjusted

ROME, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Italy, siding with Germany, advised Czechoslovakia semi-officially tonight to heed the autonomy demands of her Germanic minority. The Italian position was outlined in Informazione Diplomatica, authoritative organ issued occasionally by the official Stefani News Agency. Diplomats attribute to it the importance of a government communique.

By the Associated Press The critical negotiations between Czechoslovakia and her Sudeten German minority—on which may depend war or peace in Europe—remained in suspense today while the powers took steps to be prepared for a showdown. Great Britain summoned her cabinet to meet Monday a few hours before Adolf Hitler is expected to tell the world what he intends to do about Czechoslovakia.

Confer On Defense The call was issued by Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain after day-long conferences of key British ministers, including what was said to have been a discussion of mutual defenses between Sir Thomas Inskip, British minister for coordination of defense, and Ramon de Valera, prime minister of Ireland.

Although Hitler ordered the Sudeten Germans to renew negotiations, after a break which gave Europe its sharpest war scare in weeks of tension, minority leaders in Praha said there was no prospect of further autonomy talks until the whipping of a Sudeten German legislator has been adjusted satisfactorily. Hitler, self-styled protector of the Sudeten Germans, had ordered the negotiations suspended yesterday. His change of mind, it was said, was because of his desire to convince the world he was leaving nothing undone to find a peaceful solution of the crisis.

Patience Seen Low There was evidence, however, German patience both with the Czechoslovaks and with British peace-making efforts was near its end. Alarm, apparently, became more intensified in London and Paris. The British "inner cabinet"—Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain, Sir John Simon, chancellor of the exchequer, and Viscount Halifax, foreign secretary—was assembled in London. British labor demanded parliament be summoned as soon as possible.

While women of Lorraine prayed, 350,000 French soldiers manned the Maginot line of concrete fortresses facing Germany. French frontier air strength was reinforced and the high command was shifted to put experts in the German frontier zone.

These were the grave developments before Hitler issued his new order to the Sudeten Germans: 1. A Czechoslovak mounted policeman rode into a crowd at Masek, near Czechoslovakia's Polish and German borders, and Germans said, struck a Sudeten German legislator with his riding crop. 2. Negotiations were broken off and the feather was reported to have decided to center his negotiations over the Sudeten German demands on Britain.

In Spain, insurgent forces still appeared to be making "feeble" attacks to test government defenses for a weak spot against which to launch a major offensive. Fighting shifted from the Ebro river to the Valencian front with the insurgents reporting slight advances north of Viver.

MAJ. OWENS GIVEN DUTY IN ARKANSAS

Major George R. Owens, commanding officer of the Medford CCC district since June, 1933, has been assigned to national guard duty with headquarters at Helena, Ark., according to a radiogram received last night.

Major Owens was directed to report for duty at his new post as soon as practicable and CCC headquarters said today he would leave here as soon after September 15 as possible. He will be an instructor for the national guard in Arkansas. It was expected that official orders confirming the radiogram would be received here shortly.

Sprague River Burns--Incendiarism Hinted

Store Strike Jams Street



With 6,000 retail pickets in 27 San Francisco department stores on strike, the pickets, massing in front of the stores and endeavoring to keep shoppers out, created traffic situations like the one above. A scene on Market street shortly after the strike got under way. Below: A shopper had her purse ripped open as she attempted to enter a store, but a policeman came to her rescue. Note the open purse. (A.P. Photos)

ROOSEVELT SEEKING TO BECOME DICTATOR CLAIMS VANDENBERG

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Arthur Vandenberg (R., Mich.) asserted in an interview "American dictatorship, American style" was the objective of President Roosevelt. The president's plan, the senator said yesterday is to pack the judicial and legislative branches of government with his yes men. Vandenberg was quoted as follows: "The purge that has come to America has utterly sinister implications. It is one thing for a political leader to seek sympathetic political supporters. But it is a totally different thing for a president of this still free republic to seek control of the legislative and judicial branches of a constitutional government which is built necessarily on the preservation of coordinate independence in these three branches."

SEPT. 30 IS DEADLINE ON PWA APPLICATIONS

PORTLAND, Sept. 8.—(AP)—C. C. Hockley, regional PWA director, announced today no applications for grants would be accepted after September 30.

CINEMA CRAFTSMEN SAY UNION OFFICIAL SOLD OUT TO BOSSES

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Bitter denunciation among film craftsmen flared today in a complaint to the National Labor Relations board payment of \$100,000 to a union official put 12,000 union workers under "direct control" of the Association of Motion Picture Producers, Inc. The complaint was filed with Dr. Towne Nylander, regional NLRB director, by Jeff Kibre, a studio craftsman who said he was "acting for and on behalf of the motion picture technicians' committee."

Kibre alleged William Bluff, formerly personal representative in Hollywood of George E. Browne, international president of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, accepted \$100,000 from Schenck to "sell out" I.A.T.S.E. control. "Since January 2, 1936, Bluff has been the paid agent for the producers while purporting to act for President Browne," the complaint said. Bluff recently resigned his I.A.T.S.E. post.

LONG AND BITTER STRUGGLE LOOMS IN 'FRISCO STRIKE

Five Pickets Arrested On Market Street—Stores Will Remain Open Says Spokesman for Employers

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Raymond Hanson, bond and warrant clerk, said today he had issued a citation for Prentiss Cobb Hale, Jr., executive of Hale Brothers department store, to show cause Saturday why he should not be arrested for assault and battery. Hanson said the citation was issued at the request of Lulu Darling, a picket in the department store strike, who alleged Hale, a son of the late store founder, knocked her down and shook her during a disturbance at the store this morning.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Tension heightened in the strike of several thousand department store clerks today as verbal clashes hinted at an impending long struggle and five pickets were arrested on Market street.

Police slightly augmented the 300 men who patrolled the retail area when the strike at 27 stores and eight branches broke yesterday, and feminine pickets resumed their march in full strength. The men arrested were named by Patrolman Daniel Dineen as including George Hardy, trustee of the Building Service Employees' (Janitors) union, one of more than 20 A.F.L. crafts supporting the strike and Henry "Doc" Charton, a picket captain. The others, all janitor unions, were named as Jack Goldberg, Jack Depo and Herman Elmers.

They were booked for refusal to move on at police command. As they entered the patrol wagon they shouted to the marching girls: "Keep on talking it up—unfair!" Store announced they would continue "business as usual," with staffs depleted in various degree. One employer spokesman said: "... the stores will stay open. We have not yielded, we do not yield and we will not yield to any group of union officials the control of who our employees will be."

The A.F.L.-affiliated strikers received pledges of A.F.L. and C.I.O. union support and set up a committee to conduct their campaign. Larry Wall, union secretary, said 7,000 workers responded to yesterday's strike call. Store executives set the number at 4,000.

No peace overtures had been made today by strikers, retailers or third parties in the dispute which centered around a union demand for a registered list of both Union and non-union clerks from which employees would be chosen, and a store-wide seniority plan.

Wages Good An employer statement said store wages and working conditions were the best in the country, but the union is "attempting to force upon employers the outrageous conception of store management by union officials."

Police precautions brought 300 extra patrolmen into the retail section where a flurry of trouble broke out yesterday in front of two Market street stores. The officers said flying fists and feminine hair pulling marked the passage of women employees through picket lines. The only arrests were two spectators who assertedly balked at officers' orders to "move on."

More than 20 other unions are indirectly involved in the strike, including building trades workers, elevator operators, janitors and teamster unions. Union officials said deliveries to and from the stores were at a standstill.

ELLENBERGER CRASH FOUND UNAVOIDABLE

BEND, Sept. 8.—(AP)—A corner of the passing herd of numerous counterfeit \$10 bills, copies of those issued by the federal reserve bank of New York City, led Capt. W. R. Jarrell, district secret service supervisor, today to warn merchants and banks to be on the lookout. Within a few hours yesterday, six were turned in by business men.

ALL-TIME RECORD SET IN MEDFORD SCHOOL REGISTRY

2326 Students Enrolled in First Day—Many More Yet to Start—Junior High Increase Is Highest

Although about 150 senior high and 100 junior high students are still not registered because of employment this week, first-day enrollment at Medford's city schools reached an all-time high, according to figures released from the city school superintendent's office today.

A total of 2,326 students began the 1938-39 school year Tuesday in the six institutions, an increase of 35 over the 2,291 who entered the first day last year, previous high mark. In 1936 there were 2,194 first-day students.

Largest increase in enrollment occurred at junior high school, where 667 students registered Tuesday in comparison to 595 a year ago, and 611 in 1936. Senior high school enrollment showed a slight decline with 515 entering in comparison to 531 in 1937. However, this year's senior high enrollment was higher than in 1936, when opening-day attendance was 450.

Total elementary enrollment Tuesday amounted to 1,144, a decrease from last year, when 1,165 started to school on the first day. The 1938 figure was 1,133. All elementary schools are still a little short of their peak enrollment, it was reported.

Washington school reported the largest enrollment, with 333, in comparison to 356 in 1937 and 356 in 1936; Roosevelt was next with 292, in comparison to 331 last year and 278 two years ago; Jackson had 377 the first day this year, 271 in 1937 and 275 in 1936; and Lincoln had 242 Tuesday, 205 in 1937 and 226 in 1936.

WILL OPERATE ON ROOSEVELT'S SON

ROCHESTER, Minn., Sept. 8.—(AP)—James Roosevelt, son and personal secretary of the president, today started a hospital diet in preparation for a gastric operation early next week.

Mayo clinic physicians said results of treatments for a small gastric ulcer "were rather disappointing, and announced suddenly last night their decision to operate."

His mother, who came here with young Roosevelt two days ago, cancelled plans for a return east and her son went to St. Mary's hospital shortly after Dr. George Eastman issued the bulletin.

The president was notified at Hyde Park. The 30-year old Roosevelt was here in May for a checkup when physicians diagnosed his trouble as a small gastric ulcer which they believed was benign. They prescribed a rigid diet, which Roosevelt said irked him, and ordered restrictions of activities tending to produce physical, nervous and emotional stress.

ORA COX ELECTED D. U. V. CHAPLAIN

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 8.—(AP)—Miss Ora Cox of Medford, Ore., was elected chaplain of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the annual convention yesterday, held in connection with the 72nd annual entanglement of the GAR. Mrs. Anne Rayling of Philadelphia was elected president, succeeding Mrs. Mary M. Manning of Seattle.

BASEBALL

Table with baseball scores: American League, St. Louis at Chicago postponed, Detroit 4, Cleveland 1, Benton and York, Whitehill, Galehouse and Hemaley. National League, New York 4, Boston 0, Gomez and Dickey, Harris, Grove and Desautels. Philadelphia 2, Washington 5, Thomas and Wagner, Chase and Ferrell, Berry.

HUGE LOSSES COUNTED IN YANGTZE BATTLES; JAPS GAINING GROUND

SHANGHAI, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Japanese army headquarters said today fighting on the south bank of the Yangtze river between August 19 and September 6 cost 2,500 Japanese and 25,000 Chinese casualties.

Severe fighting continued in that sector today. About 300 miles to the north, Japanese troops advanced steadily toward the vital Peiping-Hankow railroad after having occupied Kueihsi, 95 miles east of the line in Honan province.

(Dispatches from Peiping quoted a Japanese army announcement that reinforcements of "young, fresh, excellent troops—reinforcements, not replacements" arrived Wednesday from Japan at Tangku, northern China.

(The reports also said there were indications two or more divisions might be enroute to various fronts in northern China and that this might preface an intensification of the Japanese drive toward Hankow, the provincial capital.)

MEARS FUNERAL PLANS PENDING

Funeral arrangements were pending today for Frederick W. Mears, former city attorney of Medford, who died suddenly at his home in Salem, yesterday.

Mr. Mears was appointed city attorney here on January 16, 1917, and resigned April 3, 1923. For the past five years he had resided in Salem. Mr. Mears was active in Masonic and Eastern Star work here and in Salem. He was born in Massachusetts and spent some time in Sioux City, Iowa, before coming to Medford in 1907. He practiced law here.

DIES IN WARNING TO SECY PERKINS

PORT ARTHUR, Tex., Sept. 8.—(AP)—Rep. Martin Dies (D.-Tex.) said in an interview today Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins may face a move to impeach her if she doesn't "enforce the law under which Harry Bridges (west coast labor leader) is clearly deportable."

The congressman, chairman of the congressional committee investigating alleged un-American activities said Bridges was becoming a national issue.

American Women Keep Curtis Cup

MANCHESTER, Mass., Sept. 8.—(AP)—The American women's golf team swept five of the six singles matches against a band of brilliant British invaders at the Essex county club today to gain a 5 1/2 to 3 1/2 victory and successfully defend the Curtis cup for the fourth consecutive time.

KLAMATH SHERIFF HOLDS OPERATOR OF BILLIARD HALL

Entire Business District of Milltown Near Klamath Reservation Goes Up in Smoke—Sawmill Saved

KLAMATH FALLS, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Jack Martin, 46, operator of a poolhall destroyed in the fire which last night leveled the east-city mill town of Sprague River, was being held at the county jail today for investigation in connection with the disastrous blaze.

In reporting that Martin was in custody, Sheriff Lloyd Low hinted at possibly other unannounced developments. He said he had asked the assistance of the state fire marshal's office in conducting a further investigation at Sprague River.

May Ask Federal Aid Meanwhile, Huntington Taylor, manager of Sprague River's Crater Lake Lumber company mill, which entirely escaped damage in the fire, revealed he had wired Sen. Charles L. McNary to learn if federal aid were available in rehabilitating the stricken village.

"There will be a real need for aid in rebuilding and with the attitude of the government toward helping make permanent communities dependent upon industry, ranchers and farmers, we wonder if there isn't some fund or emergency fund on which the owners of property could draw for rebuilding purposes," Taylor's telegram said in part.

KLAMATH FALLS, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Sprague River, once thriving mill town of 400 on the southern fringe of the Klamath Indian reservation, today dug out from beneath the ashes of a fire which last night spread the length of its business district in less than an hour's time. Loss was estimated in excess of \$50,000.

Sheriff Lloyd Low, who conducted an investigation last night, said the fire had apparently sprung from a cigarette carelessly tossed away in the rear of the Sprague River hotel.

Buildings razed included two hotels, two groceries, two poolhalls, two barbershops, two residences, a newsstand and the postoffice. All merchandise in the stores was lost, but in most cases equipment and records, including those of the postoffice, were salvaged. Two business buildings remained standing.

Only fatality was a cat, which was mercifully put to death when the flames singled off its fur. Disaster overtook the operator of one of the barbershops after he had hurriedly loaded his car with his equipment. The car refused to start and finally burned along with its load.

Many millworkers were left without lodging. A strong north wind which whipped the flames through the Sprague River business district, was credited with saving the Crater Lake Lumber company plant on the northeast edge of the town. The lumber company's box factory has twice burned to the ground in the past two years.

MEDFORD PEARS TO K. F. STORAGE

KLAMATH FALLS, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Loads of Rogue River valley pears began moving into Klamath Falls this week for storage in refrigerated warehouses prior to shipping into eastern and foreign markets.

For the past two seasons local warehousemen have helped handle the surplus of Rogue River pears for which no storage facilities are available in the valley, and this year quarters have been enlarged to accommodate 230 cars or more than 180,000 boxes.

The fruit is kept at a temperature of 30 degrees.

Sen. Borah Enjoying First Real Vacation

POLAND SPRINGS, Me., Sept. 8.—(AP)—U. S. Senator William E. Borah of Idaho, here to recover his health, today was reported by his wife to be "enjoying the first real vacation he has had in years" and to be "much improved" in his physical condition. Shielded from the public by Mrs. Borah, the senator answers no telephone calls and discusses no politics. She said they would return to Washington September 15 and visit their home state shortly thereafter.