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 Temperature
 Highest yesterday 73
 Lowest this morning 42

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VAST ARMIES SEEK STRANGLE HOLD



Washington, D. C., May 27.—So anxious was he to prevent a vote on the Logan-Walters bill, permitting court appeals from scores of federal agencies, that Democratic Leader Senator Barkley opened the gate for the LaFollette measure to prohibit employment of labor spies, then realized that the bill materially affected, adversely, plans for national defense. When Barkley woke up it was too late to correct the mistake in strategy.

This LaFollette measure is the result of 120 days of hearings since August, 1936. It has cost \$200,000, produced 51 volumes and 19,000 pages of printed testimony. Witnesses examined, 883. It is popularly known as the Civil Liberties committee and the bill resulting from the probe is strongly supported by CIO. Chiefly the committee exposed the use of detectives in industrial plants; the arsenals maintained in some factories.

NAZI ONSLAUGHT BACKS ALLIES UP WEST OF SCHELDT

Channel Mastery and Fate of 'Lost Million' Are at Stake in Terrific Conflict

London, May 27.—(P)—Well informed sources in London tonight described the military situation in northern France as of increasing gravity.

By the Associated Press
 German and allied armies thrashed like giant pythons, each seeking a strangle-hold, in the bloody battle of Flanders today.

Mastery of the English channel and the fate of the so-called "lost million" allied troops were at stake.

Germany hurled great masses of men and materials into a renewed onslaught in the Valenciennes sector, forcing hard-pressed French troops to withdraw to new positions west of the Scheldt river.

The French high command, admitting the setback, said however the situation was "not unfavorable."

Furious Attack
 Seeking a quick knockout, the Germans threw wave after wave of tank-led infantry into a furious attack in the Lens-Ypres sector in the north.

The Nazi high command said a deep breach had been cut in the allied lines and that counter-attacking French colonial troops had been thrown back with "bloody losses" northeast of Lens.

German warplanes and swift-striking torpedo boats quickened the tempo of the Nazi drive for control of the channel.

The waterfront at Dunkerque, north of Calais, was reported in flames after German bombing attacks.

Both sides appeared to be flinging all available troops, tanks, planes and guns into the great battle in Flanders.

Two Major Phases
 In one major phase of the struggle, Generalissimo Maxime Weygand's forces sought to break through the German salient to the channel at its 18-mile wide bottleneck in the Bapaume-Peronne area.

If successful, the vital line of communications feeding the German columns along the channel would be broken; the Nazi spearhead columns isolated.

In the second phase, Hitler's armored troops were flailing hard to pinch off the allied salient in the north between Lille, France, and Courtrai, Belgium, at a similarly narrow bottleneck.

If successful, the Germans in turn would isolate allied forces which are seeking to isolate the Nazis.

Near Ypres
 Amid this complicated action, terrific German attacks which were described by the French as launched "without regard to"

Find Body of Missing Table Rock Man in Rogue

War Bulletins

Paris, May 27.—(P)—Premier Hubert Pierlot, of Belgium, announced tonight after meeting with his refugee cabinet that his government has decided to continue in the war on the side of the allies. The premier said Belgium would triumph sooner or later and remain faithful to her cause.

Rome, May 27.—(P)—The British embassy denied today a story circulated by Exchange Telegraph. British news agency, in London that British nationals had been advised to leave Italy.

Ottawa, Ont., May 27.—(P)—Prime Minister MacKenzie King announced in commons tonight that Canada's military and air forces will be expanded immediately to meet the critical situation in the European war.

REDS, BUNDSTERS MAY BE BANNED IN CERTAIN JOBS

Senate Favors Prohibition of Alien Elements in Interstate Commerce Concerns

Washington, May 27.—(P)—The senate passed today legislation which would restrict sharply the number of jobs held by communists. "Nazi bund" members of aliens in this country and would outlaw "oppressive labor practices" in interstate commerce.

Washington, May 27.—(P)—The house adopted a resolution today to give quick effect to President Roosevelt's transfer of the immigration service to the justice department as a means of gaining "more effective control over aliens."

The action came on a voice vote. If approved also by the senate, the president could make the transfer effective in ten days.

Mr. Roosevelt proposed the change last Wednesday and told congress that "in view of the urgency" of the request he hoped quick affirmative action could be taken.

In the course of house debate, Representative Taber (R-N.Y.) described Secretary Perkins as "a notorious incompetent."

He gave this reason why "many of us" would vote for the resolution to take the immigration service out of the labor department without delay:

"The president has not the patriotism or the courage to remove the secretary of labor, a notorious incompetent and one who for the last seven years has steadily refused to enforce the immigration law and continuously admitted and kept here those who were not entitled to stay."

TELEPHONE TOLLS FOR JACKSONVILLE TOPIC AT HEARING

Company Auditor Claims Exchange in Pioneer Town Shows Heavy Annual Loss

Jacksonville, May 27.—(Sp.)—A mass of statistical evidence was presented by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company at the Jacksonville rate hearing before the Oregon public utilities commission in the Commercial club today. The hearing continued this afternoon, Jacksonville to present its side of the question at the completion of the company's case.

Although a complete adjustment of rates is sought by the company, the bone of contention is the proposed five cent toll charge on calls between Jacksonville and Medford and between Medford and Jacksonville, there having been no charge previously for this service excepting from public slot telephones. In addition to the toll charge, the company proposes to make adjustments in the Jacksonville rates involving reductions to 14 business customers, 7 residence customers and 74 farm customers and increases to 36 residence customers, evidence presented by the company showed.

Operate at Loss
 C. S. Mason, company auditor from Seattle, testified that on its Jacksonville exchange the company suffered a net operating loss of \$2,848.11 in 1938 and \$2,419.76 in 1939. He estimated that under the proposed new rates and with the new dial system functioning, and assuming no customers would be lost, the net operating loss in 1941 would be \$986.

In an opening statement, Omar Spencer, company attorney from Portland, said the change in rates was sought to bring Jacksonville schedules in conformity with those of comparable Oregon cities and that the change proposal had been deferred until the dial system was to be put into operation. Company witnesses made similar statements.

The company witnesses included at the morning session Fred D. Scholl of Portland, general commercial manager for Oregon, Mr. Mason and R. J. Collins of Portland, general commercial engineer for the Oregon area.

The city of Jacksonville was represented by Herbert K. Hanna and the farm users of the Jacksonville area were represented by Porter J. Neff.

Bean Presiding
 Ormond R. Bean, public utilities commissioner, presided with T. O. Russell, the commission's chief engineer, serving as examiner. Also present were J. T. Naylor, the commission's telephone engineer, and Alvin W. Kurtz, commission attorney.

A hearing on the same subject is to be held at 10 a. m. tomorrow in the Jackson county court house, Medford.

UNION NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGE DONE DURING SIT-DOWN

Supreme Court Sustains Contention Unions Not Subject Ordinarily to Law

Washington, May 27.—(P)—The supreme court ruled today that a labor union was not liable under the federal anti-trust laws for damages resulting from a sit-down strike.

The 6 to 3 decision was delivered by Justice Stone.

Chief Justice Hughes wrote a dissenting opinion in which Justices McReynolds and Roberts joined.

Stone asserted the activities of the labor union involved in the litigation did not sufficiently interfere with interstate commerce to constitute a violation of the Sherman Act.

The far-reaching opinion sustained the contentions of labor organizations for many years that they were not subject ordinarily to the law.

Guide to Justice Dept.
 This decision was expected to guide the justice department in its present anti-trust campaign against labor organizations and business concerns charged with conspiracy to restrain interstate commerce.

Specifically involved was a suit by the Apex Hosiery company sustained during a seven-year Philadelphia for dam week sit-down strike in 1937 by a local unit of the American Federation of full fashioned hosiery workers.

Detained



Captain Franz Von Rintelen (above), noted for German espionage activities in the World War and in recent years a resident of England, was detained in London in England's drive on fifth column activities. Von Rintelen operated in the United States during the World War.

CENTRAL PT. BOYS MAKE GRUESOME FIND IN STREAM

Remains of Lewis Robert Loesch Located Near Gold Ray Dam; No Inquest

The body of Lewis Robert Loesch, 67, missing from his home at Table Rock since the evening of March 20, was discovered in a shallow and narrow channel of Rogue river about a mile and a quarter upstream from Gold Ray dam yesterday afternoon.

The discovery was made by three Central Point boys, Delbert Lee, 16; William Mills, 19, and Arthur Miller, 21.

County Coroner Frank Perl, after talking with District Attorney Frank J. Newman, said today that no inquest would be held. The coroner listed the death as a suicide. Due to the badly decomposed condition of the body, caused by over two months submersion in the river, an autopsy could not be held, the coroner said.

Positive Identification
 Positive identification of the corpse was made by the teeth, clothing and the fact that two fingers were missing off the right hand. Also, weight and height tallied with the information authorities received when Loesch first disappeared, the coroner said.

The three boys found the body while they were towing a canoe behind a rowboat in the direction of Gold Ray dam. The boys had lost the canoe Friday about two miles above the dam and had returned and found it Saturday and tied it up, state police explained. Sunday, the three youths obtained a rowboat, rowed to the canoe's location and started to tow it to Gold Ray dam so they could get it out of the river, police said.

A mistake led the trio to discover Loesch's body. About a

SATKO ARK CALLS AT NANAIMO, B. C.

Nanaimo, B. C., May 27.—(CP)—Safely over water and legal hurdles, the Paul Satko family was "getting along all right" today on its trip to Alaska in the 40-foot, homemade "Ark of Juneau."

The Ark put in here yesterday, bearing the entire family—Paul, an unemployed Virginia welder, his wife and their seven children, six of whom were expressly prohibited by a Seattle court order from boarding the boat.

British Columbia officials evinced no intention of interfering with the family's northward progress toward a homestead and a new life on Cook inlet, Alaska.

Manufacturer Dies
 Portland, May 27.—(P)—Charles L. Dunham, 50, president of the Reliance manufacturing company, died yesterday. He was a noted Portland manufacturer of furnaces.

F. D. R. Appeals for Unity; Pledges Military Security

Washington, May 27.—(P)—In a solemn appeal for national unity, President Roosevelt coupled a pledge of military security last night with a warning against Trojan horse treachery and the "undiluted poison" of foreign-sponsored disension.

Calling for an end to fear, illusion and calamity-howling, the chief executive said in his fourteenth radio "fireside chat" that American defense forces would be built up "to whatever heights the future may require."

Funds Not Wasted
 He denied charges of critics that money spent for army and navy in the last few years had "gone down the rat-hole." Instead, he said:

"This money has been used to make our army and navy today the largest, the best equipped, and the best trained peacetime military establishment in the history of this country."

"These dividing forces are undiluted poison. They must not be allowed to spread in the new world as they have in the old."

The president said that "the past two weeks have meant the shattering of many illusions" for persons who had "closed their eyes" to events abroad "who would not admit the possibility of the approaching storm."

"They have lost the illusion," he declared, "that we are remote and isolated and, therefore, secure against the dangers from which no other land is free."

Not Weapons Alone
 After declaring that nothing in the present emergency justified breakdown or cancellation of "any of the great social

ITALIAN WAR MAP OUTLINES PLANS

Rome, May 27.—(U.P.)—A fascist newspaper in Rome features today a full-page war map showing how Italy will attack the allies as soon as Benito Mussolini gives the order to enter the war on the side of Germany.

Simultaneously another Italian newspaper declared that if Italy enters the war the decisive battle will be fought in Egypt.

The fascist military expert, Antonio Trizzino, said that when Il Duce gives the word, the Italian air armada will unleash its full force against the allied fleet which is based on the Egypt-Palestine-Cyprus triangle.

FEAR TRIO IN COUPE PLUNGED INTO RIVER AS RESULT OF CRASH

OROFINO, Idaho, May 27.—(P)—Sheriff's officers from three counties, assisted by Idaho traffic patrolmen, were dragging the swift Clearwater river below here today for a light coupe in which it was believed three persons from Clarkston, Wash., lost their lives last night.

The coupe caromed off the back of another machine and hurtled into the deep, fast water.

Today E. J. Bath, 37-year-old Clarkston school teacher, and Mrs. T. S. Belt, 55, and Mrs. Vera Rogstad, 45, Clarkston widows, were reported missing from their homes after having gone to the Selway national forest for a picnic. They were to have returned last night.

Nazi Parachutists Landed at Narvik

Berlin, May 27.—(U.P.)—The German high command said today additional German alpine troops have landed by parachute to bolster the Nazi garrison at the Norwegian port of Narvik.

The Germans regard Narvik as extremely important because meteorologists there are furnishing important weather data to the high command. In addition, German forces operating in the area have prevented the allies from gaining control of an important route to the northern Swedish frontier.

REASON why the LaFollette measure came at an embarrassing time is that it prohibits an employer from inquiring whether a worker belongs to a political party; forbids an employer to have lethal weapons on hand to defend his property; makes unlawful hiring anyone to watch his men to learn what they are doing or saying.

Normally these prohibitions might have been met with public approval, but the national defense puts another face on the matter. Should the bill become a law a worker cannot be asked if he is a communist; no weapons can be available for guarding property; no one permitted to keep an eye on suspects who may plan sabotage. In brief, the bill LaFollette sponsors is right up the alley of members of the "fifth column"—permits them to go into plants as workmen and perpetrate such damage as they can without an undercover agent being around to interfere or prevent the sabotage.

In view of the Trojan Horse tactics the bill takes a new significance. There are in Oregon and Washington 4000 communists, according to the testimony of Earl Browder, No. One Stalin agent in the United States. In addition there are several thousand "fellow travelers." (See printed hearings of the Dies committee). There are, also, several organizations in the Pacific northwest

KLAMATH BOY KILLED PLAYING IN STREET

Klamath Falls, May 27.—(P)—Gordon Smith, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith, was fatally injured Saturday night when struck by a car while playing along a city street. He died in a hospital early Sunday morning.

Investigating officers said the boy apparently jumped into the street from a curb in front of a car driven by Mrs. Bessie Hartley of Merrill.

To Launch Battleship

Philadelphias, May 27.—(P)—The 35,000-ton battleship Washington, first battleship addition to America's sea defenses since 1921, will be launched Saturday amid the strictest precautions since 1917.

SIDE GLANCES

Ernie Pibus not being particularly impressed with a friend's illustrated lecture on how to properly execute an early morning sprint.

Esther Hagen when being asked by a patriotic poppy saleswoman where her poppy was, replying seriously that she guessed he was working.

Marta Kesler demonstrating her agility by climbing UP the pole at fire headquarters, a feat no other woman in her party could do.

Tommy Hawkins issuing an invitation for a dutch lunch with all the trimmings, it being passed up by a friend with the deepest regret.

MOFFAT NOMINATED AS MINISTER TO CANADA

Washington, May 27.—(P)—President Roosevelt nominated Jay Pierrepone Moffat today to be minister to Canada.

Moffat, a native of New Hampshire, now is chief of the state department's European division.

Moffat will succeed James H. R. Cromwell, who resigned after accepting the nomination of New Jersey democrats to run for the senate.

G-Men Prepare to Trail 5th Columns
 Washington, May 27.—(U.P.)—The federal bureau of investigation is getting ready for an intensive campaign designed to turn up fifth column elements in the nation.

Director J. Edgar Hoover of the F. B. I. has cancelled the annual leaves of all G-men.

NAZIS UNEXCITED BY FIRESIDE TALK

Berlin, May 27.—(P)—President Roosevelt's fireside talk last night was regarded by authorized German sources today as having touched on the United States' own business.

Germany has never been a threat in the western hemisphere, these sources said, and if America feels she needs better defenses it cannot be because of any German designs.

They declared that Germany respected the slogan "America for Americans," but also expected America to respect the slogan "Europe for the Europeans."

FUNDS URGED FOR PORT ORFORD JOB

Washington, May 27.—(P)—Members of Oregon's congressional delegation, headed by Senator McNary, urged the army engineer board today to uphold a division engineer's favorable findings on a \$400,000 improvement project at Port Orford, Ore.

The project would mean rapid development of the Port Orford area, the board was told by McNary, Senator Holman and Representative Mott, who also supported a flood control project on the Yaquina river in Oregon.

The board previously reported it was unconvinced of the Port Orford project's justification.

BIG NAVY BOMBER IS LOST IN STORM

Seattle, May 27.—(P)—Sand Point naval air base authorities today revealed the loss of a 10-ton, twin-motored bombing plane during night maneuvers off the Washington coast last week. Her crew of six was rescued.

Lieut. (J.G.) Charles E. Brunton, pilot, was commended by Lieut. Comdr. Harry Carlson, commanding squadron VP 43, for making a skillful forced landing at night, during heavy weather, without loss or injury of a man.

Winds of 18 to 25 knots produced heavy seas, and the U. S. S. Williamson took the bomber in tow. After battling headwinds for 36 hours, the Williamson was forced to cut the tow line.

OPTICAL FIRM FINED IN ANTI TRUST CASE

New York, May 27.—(U.P.)—One of the largest optical firms in the world, Bausch and Lomb, and three of its officers were today fined a total of \$40,000 on charges of violating federal anti-trust and tariff laws.

The violation came through a secret trade agreement with a German firm to control the distribution of vital military and naval equipment.

BRITISH DENY PLAN TO SINK AMERICAN LINER

London, May 27.—(U.P.)—A German charge that the British are planning to sink the American refugee boat, President Roosevelt, is branded as a lie in authoritative London quarters today.

Previously, the Germans charged that the British were planning to sink the American boat and then claim that it was the work of Nazi U-boats.

Gold Beach, Ore., May 27.—(P)—MacLeay lodge, headquarters for the Cocs-Curry Fire Patrol association, burned to the ground today. The landmark, at Wedderburns across Rogue river from Gold Beach, formerly was the home of Roderick L. MacLeay.

MEDFORD CENSUS ENDS THIS WEEK

No figures on Medford's population will be given out until all data obtained by enumerators has been tabulated in the district census bureau at Eugene, Moore Hamilton, of Medford, assistant state supervisor, announced today. Hamilton stated, however, that "Medford has nothing to fear" from comparison of population figures with those of 1930.

Mr. Hamilton, who arrived Sunday to supervise cleanup of the count here, said the work would be finished this week. He urged those in Medford not yet contacted by the enumerators to leave their names at the Chamber of Commerce.

BASEBALL

National	R.	H.	E.
First game:			
Cincinnati	2	5	0
Pittsburgh	1	4	0
L. Moore, Beggs and Lombardi; M. Brown and Davis.			
Second game:			
Cincinnati	7	11	0
Pittsburgh	3	9	1
Turner and Hershberger; Bauers, Heintzelman and Berres.			
American	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	0	4	1
Brooklyn	8	12	1
Smoll, Hoyert and Atwood, Warren; Hyatt and Mancuso.			
New York	1	4	1
Boston	7	13	0
Lohrman, Dean, Lynn and Danning, Odes; Posedel and Lopez.			
St. Louis	1	7	2
Chicago	7	10	0
Bowman, J. Russell, White and Padgett; Passeau and Todd.			
American	R.	H.	E.
Washington	0	4	0
New York	5	4	0
Chase, Jacobs and Ferrali; Chandler and Dickay.			