

U. S. CLOSES GERMAN CONSULATES

Kelly's Comment

From Washington
New Ship Yards
Not Desired
Portland Dredge
Aids Island Jobs
Squaw Tin Hope
Goes Glimmering

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., June 16.—Apparently there is little difficulty in raising money to organize a ship-building company in either Oregon or Washington. The stumbling block appears to be Admiral Land, chairman of the United States maritime commission, who does not hold out hope for new companies to obtain contracts.

At the moment there are several men from Oregon who are talking to marine architects in New York responsible for construction. This is the firm which has awarded engines and deck equipment to machine shops in Portland; has given these plants all the business they can handle. The Oregon applicants want to build ships and they have a million dollar nest egg to start with, but they are shy on technicians.

Across the Columbia river from Portland, at Vancouver, plans were laid for a ten-way shipyard. A site was optioned and, to top it all, the group intended building a drydock. Money was available, too, and there were a number of key men tied in on the organization. The only thing that has prevented this enterprise from materializing is the failure to obtain contracts to build ships.

Someone started the rumor that there is to be a wood ship program; that 200 of these would be built on Columbia river or the Willamette. Portlanders, money in hand, were prepared to invest, but inquiry in Washington, D. C., met with the announcement that there would be no wood ships.

ADMIRAL LAND opposes awarding contracts to new ship-building companies on Columbia river. He is willing to arrange for additional ways and give additional contracts, as instanced with the Oregon Shipbuilding Co., but it is thumbs down on other companies. His reason: Another yard with contracts for freighters would compete for key men, technicians and shop foremen with the Oregon Ship-

GERMANY, RUSSIA NEARING RUPTURE

London, June 16.—(AP)—A reliable foreign source said today that German-Russian relations are rapidly approaching a critical stage where they must either be cemented more closely in a pan-European economic scheme or break into open hostility.

The situation, this source said, has arisen from Germany's pressure for more oil, grain and ore from Russia and the conviction of certain Russian leaders that the spread of German influence through repeated European victories was endangering the Soviet's own ambitions as a world power.

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Frank Charboneau recalling that he hadn't purchased a straw hat since 1907 when summer rains melted two of 'em.

Herschel Obye telling about the trout he caught that had bird feathers protruding from and inside of its tummy.

The Waltham boys out in force Sunday, according to operative 18.

Carrie Yockley remarking to Joe Gray that he should have been a football player, she being unaware of the national grid reputation he made while attending Oregon State.

Improper Activities Cited by Welles as Ground for Decree

Washington, June 16.—(AP)—The United States today ordered all German consulates closed by July 10 because of activities "inimical to the welfare of this country."

Announcing the action, Sumner Welles, undersecretary of state, said it did not imply a break in diplomatic relations with Germany and did not affect the diplomatic staff in Washington.

He made the announcement after handing a note to Dr. Wilhelm Tannenberg, first secretary of the German embassy, in the absence of Hans Thomsen, charge d'affaires, who was in New York.

Propaganda Bureau Hit
The order requires the closing of the German library of information and railway tourist bureau and the German Transocean news agency. It calls for removal of all nationals connected with the consulates and these agencies.

(Transocean is not connected with any American news agency.)

"It has come to the knowledge of this government," the Welles note said, "that agencies of the German reich in this country, including German consular establishments, have been engaged in activities wholly outside the scope of their legitimate duties."

"These activities have been of an improper and unwarranted character."

"They render the continued presence in the United States of these agencies and consular establishments inimical to the welfare of this country."

Italians Closed Earlier
This was the first action against German consular establishments in this country, although Italian consulates at Detroit and Newark, N. J., were ordered closed some time ago.

The action against the Italian consulates was considered a reprisal for an Italian order requiring the closing of two American consulates in Italy in mid-February.

In another step against Italy, the United States several weeks ago forced the recall of Admiral Roberto Lais, Italian naval attaché in Washington on the grounds that he was connected with the sabotaging of Italian merchant ships in American ports. Promptly, Italy demanded the recall of Captain William C. Bentley, then assistant military attaché at Rome.

Affects Many
Today's notice to the German government affects scores of consular officials throughout the United States, including Captain Fritz Wiedemann, the German consul general at San Francisco who is a personal friend of Adolf Hitler.

In making the action known, Welles told his press conference that the government had nothing in mind at this time regarding similar action against other countries, including Italy.

He asserted also that the step had no relation to the sinking of the American merchant ship Robin Moor which survivors said was torpedoed by a German submarine.

The closing of the German consulates and other agencies, Welles said, had been under consideration for some time.

Italy Freezes American Funds

Rome, June 16.—(AP)—The Italian government froze American bank accounts in Italy today in swift reprisal ordered by Premier Mussolini for like action taken against Italian holdings in the United States. Italy's decision to retaliate was made known yesterday in a communique which said:

"Following the blocking of Italian and German funds and the registration of all foreign property by the president of the United States, the fascist government, besides ordering suitable measures in reply, has ordered immediate registration of all property belonging to the United States and existing in Italy."

WIEDEMANN SHRUGS AT ORDER TO QUIT POST IN SAN FRAN

Berlin, June 16.—(AP)—German sources said today they had been advised of the American action closing German consulates but that "we are not authorized to say anything."

San Francisco, June 16.—(AP)—Captain Fritz Wiedemann, German consul general here and Adolf Hitler's superior officer in the old war, shrugged his shoulders and said "I don't know where I'm going to go," after discussing the U. S. order closing all German consulates.

A small American flag was on his desk.

"The times here haven't been very easy," he told newspaper men. "Sometimes it has been a little tough."

He added: "I don't think I will have to join the army. I am very curious, too, and very interested in where I will have to go."

Portland, June 16.—(AP)—Robert G. Clostermann, German consul for this district, said today the state department order closing German consulates and other establishments, came as a surprise to him.

Clostermann is a naturalized citizen of this country, and is a practicing attorney.

He declined further comment.

CIO WOODSMEN IN RETURN TO WORK

Seattle, June 16.—(AP)—O. M. Orton, International Woodworkers of America, announced "all workers returned to their work this morning," ending the five-week-old strike of this CIO-affiliated timber and sawmill union in western Washington. About 22,000 men were involved.

He said Philip Murray, CIO president and members of the national defense mediation board on whose urging Orton called off the strike, telegraphed him "appreciation for the action of your organization in accepting the proposals of the board. I want you to know that the national CIO will lend every practical and constructive support to the fulfillment of your reasonable demands."

By the Associated Press
Harvey W. Brown, president of the American Federation of Labor's International Association of Machinists, said today he would go to San Francisco at once to try to persuade striking machinists in shipyards there to return to work in compliance with President Roosevelt's wishes.

INJURED ANGLER IS HOSPITALIZED

Waldo Jack Emerson, 50, of 408 Alice street, was brought to Community hospital at 3:05 this afternoon after a long trek from the woods in which he suffered a fractured right leg at 3 p. m. yesterday while fishing in south fork of the Rogue river. CCC crews helped bring him out of the woods.

Need 1000 Pickers
Lebanon, Ore., June 16.—(AP)—Cal Edwards, manager of the state employment office here, said today an additional 1000 berry pickers would be needed in the harvest beginning June 20.

County Residents Asked to List Spare Rooms

15 BRITISH PLANES DOWNED IN HEAVY CHANNEL FIGHTING

Battles Develop When RAF Bombers Approach Coast—Cargo Ship Is Bombed

Berlin, June 16.—(AP)—An authorized spokesman announced today the Germans shot down 15 British planes on the channel coast this afternoon.

Fourteen planes were downed in air fights and one by anti-aircraft, the Germans said.

The air fights developed when single British bombers, protected by pursuit planes, approached the channel coast.

A 3,000-ton merchantman was "successfully bombed" south of Plymouth, the spokesman said.

London, June 16.—(AP)—The RAF swept over the Strait of Dover and the German occupied French coast in daylight today, bombing targets at Boulogne the air ministry announced.

The ministry said it was unable to give detailed results at the time save that "several" German fighters were shot down in combat and some British planes were lost.

Cairo, Egypt, June 16.—(AP)—The British have launched a slashing offensive against the Germans and Italians along the Egyptian-Libyan frontier and the mop-up of East Africa has advanced a major step with the surrender of an Italian general and 2,000 troops in southern Ethiopia, the middle east command announced today.

Live Session On Methodist Organ

Maryville, Mo., June 16.—(AP)—Passersby were agitated by boogie woogie organ music was pouring from the Methodist church.

Rock of Ages was pulverized in swing, followed by an unholy blast of chopticks. Police investigated, found eight high school boys and girls who said they saw the church door open and walked in for a live session.

Dog Loses Eye in Protecting Master

The Dalles, Ore., June 16.—(AP)—Duke, a valiant black cocker spaniel, lost an eye in protecting his master, but will recover from a rattlesnake bite. After treatment here the dog was taken home Saturday by his master, E. L. Blinn, Roosevelt, Wash., in front of whom the dog leaped as a snake struck.

Balance of Robin Moor Survivors Landed At Capetown From British Rescue Vessel

By Robert St. John
Capetown, Union of South Africa, June 16.—(AP)—Thirty-five survivors of the American freighter Robin Moor—all those hitherto unaccounted for—landed late today at Capetown from a British ship which rescued them.

The American legation announced the arrival of the survivors, including seven passengers and 28 crewmen.

This group, along with 11 others who had reached Recife, Brazil, had abandoned their ship for lifeboats May 21 in mid-Atlantic just before the Robin Moor was torpedoed.

Eleven survivors who had reached Recife, Brazil, aboard a Brazilian steamer, already had identified the submarine which sank the ship as German. The Brazilian group was leaving for the United States today.

PEA INDUSTRY IN PRICE CONSPIRACY GRAND JURY FINDS

69 Persons, Firms, Organizations Indicted by Federal Jury; Methods Related

Chicago, June 16.—(AP)—Sixty-nine persons, firms and organizations were indicted today by a federal grand jury investigating food prices.

The defendants included 31 canning companies and three national canned pea marketing associations.

They were accused of conspiring to fix prices for canned peas in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act.

The indictment alleged that since 1938 the defendants have agreed upon an acreage reduction plan, determined the annual pack of each canner, suppressed competition among canners and fixed non-competitive prices for canned peas.

Organizations Listed
Indicted were the Canned Pea Marketing Institute, Inc., and Canned Pea Marketing, Inc., listed as associations composed of canners, and Stevenson, Jordan and Harrison, Inc., described as "managerial engineers."

The indictment identified them as the organizations which promoted the program.

In addition to these three organizations and the 31 canning companies, the indictment named 35 individual officers, directors, and members connected with the corporate defendants.

DEFENSE ROAD BILL PASSED BY SENATE

Washington, June 16.—(AP)—The senate passed today defense highway legislation calling for expenditure of \$250,000,000 on road construction and maintenance projects.

The measure provides for extension of "main lines of the strategic networks of highways" and for access roads leading to military and naval reservations, defense production centers and sources of raw materials.

Hit Runner Kills Lighted Walker

Portland, Ore., June 16.—(AP)—A hit-run driver killed Fritz Neumiller, 75-year-old dairy employee here last night. He was struck as he walked across an intersection at Barbur boulevard and the Pacific highway, although he carried a flashlight.

To Life in Prison



Charles Workman (center) takes last look at the outside world as officers take him from jail at Newark, N. J., to the Trenton state prison where he will spend the rest of his life at hard labor. Workman pleaded non vult to a charge of killing Beer Baron Dutch Schultz in 1935 after one of his alibi witnesses recanted.

BASEBALL

National	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	1	9	1
Chicago	3	10	0
Grissom, Crouch and Warren			
Moody, Pressnell and McCullough			

American	R.	H.	E.
New York	6	8	0
Cincinnati	0	3	0
Lohrman and Danning; Van der Meer, Thompson, L. Moore, Beggs, and Lombardi, West			

American	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	4	12	2
New York	6	10	1
Milnar, C. Brown and Hemmley; Gomez, Murphy, Russo and Rosar, Dickey			

American	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	1	8	1
Washington	3	11	1
Newsom, McKain and Tebbetts; Chase and Early			

Draft Grid Star
Seattle, June 16.—(AP)—Jay MacDowell, three-year letterman end for the University of Washington football team, has been drafted and must report to his midwest selective service board June 23. Coach Jimmy Phelan disclosed today.

AUTOIST INJURED WHEN TIRE BLOWS; MACHINE DITCHED

A blowout of the right front tire was blamed for an automobile accident that yesterday afternoon sent John Dale, 32, of Tule Lake, Cal., to Community hospital with painful but not serious hip and head injuries. The hospital reported today that Dale was resting fairly well.

The accident occurred about a quarter of a mile east of the Butte Falls junction on the Crater Lake highway. Following the blowout the car, traveling toward Medford, left the highway and dropped into a deep ditch. It was damaged considerably.

Accompanying Dale was Eugene Marchand, also of Tule Lake. Both were brought to Community hospital in the Perl ambulance but Marchand, who suffered only a wrenched arm, was not hospitalized.

George Davis, driver of the Perl ambulance, said that several motorists disregarded his siren while he was driving to the scene of the accident and when he was returning to the hospital with the injured man, and pointed out the danger to other vehicles whose drivers fail to pull to the side of the road upon hearing a police, fire truck or ambulance siren.

Woman Assistant To Atty. Gen. Dies

Salerno, June 16.—(AP)—Miss Grace I. Smith, the only woman who ever was an assistant attorney general in Oregon, died in a hospital here yesterday after several months' illness.

She was appointed assistant attorney general in 1921 and had served continuously since then. She was graduated from Willamette law school in 1917, and was admitted to the bar the same year.

PORTLAND CHEMICAL PLANT BIDS SCANNED

Portland, Ore., June 16.—(AP)—The Stauffer Chemical company, San Francisco, will open bids today on construction of a \$200,000 to \$300,000 plant in Portland.

The firm, which manufactures chemicals of all sorts, principally for agricultural use, has an option on a 26-acre site here.

BUILDING OF CAMP WILL BRING FLOOD OF WORKERS HERE

9,000 to Be Employed at Peak, Says Van Dyke—6,000 Will Need Rooms

The army cantonment coordinating board today issued a plea for the cooperation of all Jackson county residents who have a room or other lodging accommodations for the workers who will come here to construct the proposed camp.

It is expected that about 9,000 workers will be employed at the peak of construction of whom possibly 3,000 would have trailer houses, leaving about 6,000 to be accommodated in hotels, auto courts, rooming houses and private dwellings. It was stated by Frank J. Van Dyke, coordinator. It is the board's plan, he said, to use all existing lodging facilities before arranging for new quarters.

Chambers To Aid

The chambers of commerce here and in Ashland and municipal officials in other Jackson county communities were requested by the board today to list all available lodging facilities. It will be easy enough to obtain data from hotels, auto courts and rooming places but the cooperation of everyone will be needed to procure the same sort of information regarding private homes, Mr. Van Dyke pointed out.

"We want to hear from home owners who have one room or more to spare and are willing to rent to the workers who will come here to build the camp," Mr. Van Dyke said. "We want to get this information as quickly as possible and so we hope that all who have a room to rent will get in touch with the proper person immediately."

Mr. Van Dyke named the following officials to whom this information should be given in the smaller communities:

William F. Hart, Talent; James Hayes, Phoenix; John Chisholm, Gold Hill; Dewey Hill, Prospect; William Brown, Eagle Point; Clinton Smith, Jacksonville; Reed Carter, Rogue River, and Guy Tex, Central Point.

Uniform Prices Aim

The coordinating board wants to set up a price schedule for the rooms so that there will be uniform rates for the same general kind of accommodations, Mr. Van Dyke stated. He added that he felt certain the residents of the county, acting from patriotic motives, would cooperate with the board in establishing fair and uniform rates.

Myron Hunt, cantonment architect, and Mrs. Hunt addressed a dinner-meeting in the Lithia hotel, Ashland, Friday, Mr. Hunt describing what is likely to happen to community life when the proposed cantonment is constructed and Mrs. Hunt making a plea for residents to treat the soldier boys as their own sons. Their talks followed the same lines as those they had previously given in Medford and Grants Pass.

Sponsored by the Ashland Chamber of Commerce, the dinner-meeting was attended by nearly 150 persons who were eager for first hand information regarding the proposed army camp.

Woman Killed In Corvallis Crash

Corvallis, Ore., June 16.—(AP)—Emma Harrell, 24, of Chesire was fatally injured and six men were seriously hurt about 1:30 Sunday morning when two cars crashed six miles north of Corvallis.

State Officer Curt Chambers reported Miss Harrell was a passenger in a car with Emmett Anderson of Albany, which was parked partially on the highway and without lights.

Portland, Ore., June 16.—(AP)—The University of Portland's marine corps reserve unit was ordered to active duty and started for Bremerton, Wash., today.