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JAPAN WARNED AGAINST AXIS SPLIT

SPOKESMAN ISHII SAYS JAPAN WILL WELCOME PARLEY

Foreign Office Mouthpiece Urges Britain And U. S. Take Present Opportunity

Tokyo, Wednesday, Aug. 27. (P)—With the German embassy warning Japanese against an axis split, the Japan Times and Advertiser, close to the foreign office, today urged Britain and the United States to take advantage of an opportunity for "renunciation of their past errors" on the basis of the eight-point declaration of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill.

That the government also was debating Japan's opportunity was believed reflected by a Domei report that the cabinet exchanged "free and frank views" on the international situation.

The Times and Advertiser complained that the post-war aims announced by Mr. Roosevelt and the British prime minister conceded the very "legitimate rights" which the two countries have denied to Japan.

Tokyo, Aug. 26.—(P)—Japan would welcome negotiations with the United States to ease tension in the far east "if we can come to a reasonable conclusion." Koh Ishii, Japanese cabinet information bureau spokesman, said today.

Ishii, who made this statement in response to questions at a press conference, said, however, he had no information that any such negotiations were under way.

Asked about the purpose of recent talks between Japanese Ambassador Kichisaburo Nomura and Secretary of State Hull in Washington, the spokesman merely replied: "I am not informed."

Commenting on the British-Russian invasion of Iran, Ishii said: "The peace-loving American nations must have been shocked by this unprovoked act."

Japan, he said, was shocked also.

The Japanese press characterized the British-Russian action as aggression, and Nichi Nichi said: "The Anglo-Soviet demands regarding the expulsion of Germans in Iran amount to high-handed interference in Iran's domestic affairs."

Domei said a well-qualified observer declared Britain and Russia had exposed a complete lack of international faith.

Count Ladislaws von Mirbach-Gundl, press attache of the German embassy, said Prime Minister Churchill's Sunday references to Japan were part of a British strategy to split the axis camp.

He declared that one day after Churchill talked of protecting minority peoples he sent his troops into Iran.

"We should take care," the German attache said, "not to play into the hands of the British plot and thus be divided and ruled."

Inspect Camp Site

Capt. Hobart E. Northrup, from the engineering department of the zone quartermaster's office, San Francisco, made a routine inspection today of the site and plans of the proposed Bengie-Antelope cantonment.

Capt. Northrup arrived last night from Corvallis, where an army camp is projected also, and was to leave by train for San Francisco this evening.

Little Brenda Bengtson not getting much chance to try out her birthday gift of a two-seater pony wagon, Papa Hilding and Mama Luola are taking the vehicle for their own pleasure.

D. A. George Neilson and Sherf Syd Brown patting the Red Russians on the back for their valiant resistance to the Nazi hordes.

Gold Hill Fair Scores Success Again



Another northwest Jackson county fair, the ninth annual, at Gold Hill was put down in the record books today as a complete success. In this photograph we see the queen and her court: (Left to right) Princesses Ina Pearl Lucas and Charlotte Carter, little Mildred Gail, the crown bearer, her father, Norman Gail, who officiated at the coronation. Queen Leona Holmerness and Princesses Geneva Moore and Evelyn Christensen. (Photos by Brainerd Studio).

RUMOR CAMPAIGN ORGANIZED TO AID HITLER SAYS F.D.R.

Washington, Aug. 26.—(P)—President Roosevelt declared today that there was no doubt a campaign had been organized to spread rumors, distortions, half truths, and falsehoods in an effort to sabotage the program of aid to opponents to Hitlerism.

GERMAN BORN IN U. S. HELD AS SPY

New York, Aug. 26.—(P)—Arrest and indictment of Kurt Frederick Ludwig, 38-year-old American-born son of German parents, on charges of sending abroad information concerning the strength of the United States army, was announced today by United States Attorney Mathias F. Correa.

Ludwig was accused of unlawfully using the mails in violation of section 34, title 18, to send matter banned by the espionage act of 1917. Specifically, it was alleged he sent material, on the disposition, numerical strength and equipment of the army.

Correa said Ludwig was taken in custody Saturday by federal bureau of investigation agents near Seattle.

Milk Boost Hearing

Salem, Aug. 26.—(P)—The state milk control board held a hearing here this afternoon to consider proposals by dairymen for an increase in the milk price to 13 cents a quart.

Precautions based on weather bureau, department of commerce, frost warnings have affected large savings of fruits.

BASEBALL

First game: National
R. H. E.
Cincinnati 4 10 1
New York 7 10 0
Walters, Turner and Lombardi; J. Riddle, McGee, Schumacher and Danning.

Second game: R. H. E.
Cincinnati 5 11 2
New York 4 6 0
(Called end 8th, darkness)
Thompson, Derringer and West; Lombardi; Bowman, Melton and Hartnett.

First game: R. H. E.
Pittsburgh 3 4 0
Boston 4 13 0
Wilkie and Davis; Tobin and Berres, Montgomery.

Second game: R. H. E.
Pittsburgh 6 13 1
Boston 1 6 0
Butcher and Lopez; Erickson, Lamanna, Hutchings, and Berres, Montgomery.

First game: R. H. E.
Chicago 4 3 1
Philadelphia 3 8 2
Moody and McCullough; Hoerst, Molton, Beck, and Livingston, Warren.

Second game: R. H. E.
Chicago 11 16 1
Philadelphia 3 6 2
Erickson and Scheffing; S. Johnson, Podgajny, Beck and Warren.

American
First game: R. H. E.
Philadelphia 9 14 0
Detroit 1 6 2
Marchildon, Beckman (8), and Wagner; Newsom, Rowe (8), and Sullivan.

Score: R. H. E.
Boston 9 13 2
Cleveland 4 8 3
H. Newsome and Pytlak; Bagby, Brown and Hemsley.

Pear Markets

New York, Aug. 26.—(AP-USA)—Pears: 21 cars arrived, 10 California unloaded, 19 cars on track; California Bartlett, 7,245 boxes \$2.00-3.45, average \$2.52.

Chicago, Aug. 26.—(AP-USA)—Pears: 4 cars California arrived, 5 cars on track; California Bartlett, 3,524 boxes \$2.00-3.30, average \$2.56.

Kappa Kappa Meet
Corvallis, Aug. 26.—(P)—Kappa Kappa Psi, national bandmen's honor society, opened a three-day national convention at Oregon State college today.

Teacher Accepts
Redmond, Aug. 26.—(P)—Principal L. A. Gooding said today that Miss Helen Pearson, Hillsboro, had accepted a teaching post in the Redmond grade school.

Italy has produced a light plane powered by a charcoal burning motor, the department of commerce reported.

SENATE QUIZ OF GAS 'SHORTAGE' IN EAST AUTHORIZED

Washington, Aug. 26.—(P)—The senate commerce committee voted unanimously today to undertake an immediate investigation of "the whole situation" regarding gasoline and oil shortages.

Chairman Bailey (D., N. C.) named a subcommittee headed by Senator Maloney (D., Conn.) to conduct the inquiry. Bailey explained that the committee was empowered to act without senate authorization.

Maloney said he would start open hearings Thursday to inquire into oil and petroleum shortages which have developed in the east.

Maloney said the mere offering of the gasoline investigation proposal had "done some good already." He assured from dealers the assurance from dealers that an adequate supply would be available for motorists over the Labor day week-end.

Maloney sponsored another resolution, also approved unanimously, calling for an inquiry into priorities. Maloney said this would cover the entire problem of obtaining prompt delivery of defense materials. The priorities resolution requires senate approval.

The committee acted a day after Senator Walsh (D., Mass.) had demanded a thorough investigation of gasoline shortages in the eastern area. Walsh termed the method of supplying petroleum in the east "a glaring example of bureaucratic blundering."

House members predicted today that no attempt would be made to override President Roosevelt's sharply-worded veto of legislation to freeze government loan stocks of wheat and cotton and to relax penalties for producing above-quota wheat.

"That bill is as dead as any thing can be and I don't think anyone will be foolish enough to ask for a vote," Rep. Cochran (D., Mo.) said.

"There's not a chance for the legislation now," Rep. Michener (R., Mich.), acting minority leader, observed.

CLELAND ELECTED CHIEF SAN DIEGO UTILITY CONCERN

Copco President Here To Assume New Duties At Once—A Surprise.

Word was received here today of the election yesterday of Hance H. Cleland as president of the San Diego Gas & Electric company, San Diego, Cal.

Now in San Diego, Mr. Cleland will give up his duties as president of the California Oregon Power company and take up his new position immediately. It was stated at the Copco office. Announcement of his election was said to come as a complete surprise to Copco employees and his many friends here.

Mr. Cleland succeeds W. F. Raber who asked to be relieved of his duties upon reaching the retirement age after serving for many years as president of the San Diego Gas & Electric company. The company is an independent organization without holding company affiliation. It does a gross business about twice that of Copco.

Name Successor Soon
Mr. Cleland's successor as president of Copco will be chosen by the board of directors at a meeting that has not yet been arranged, the office here stated.

Before coming to Medford, Mr. Cleland resided in Olympia, Wash. For about 14 years he was counsel for several large utility companies in the northwest after serving as assistant attorney general of the state of Washington. He also served on the Washington public service commission and for a year and a half was a member of a prominent law firm in Chicago.

Mr. Cleland was elected president of the California Oregon Power company in April, 1938. Since coming here he has made numerous friends in southern Oregon and northern California. His special interest has been the development of industry and the procurement of additional payrolls for the territory served by the company.

Mr. Cleland has been active in Boy Scout work, the Rotary club, the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and other civic and welfare endeavors.

The family, residing at 718 South Oakdale avenue, will move to San Diego in the near future. Mrs. Cleland and her son, Hance, Jr., 15, are now visiting in Olympia. Mr. and Mrs. Cleland's other son, John, will enter law school at Stanford university this fall, having been graduated from Northwestern university last June. Their daughter, Mrs. Tom D. Throckmorton, resides in Rochester, Minn.

Mr. Cleland was expected to return to Medford in a week or so to complete his affairs here.

FEAR PILOT ROCK IN FLOOD'S PATH

Pendleton, Aug. 26.—(P)—Heavy rainstorms just after noon today piled up a wall of water which was reported at 1:30 to be roaring down West Birch creek toward Pilot Rock, small mill town 15 miles south of here and scene of a serious flood last year.

Scanty information indicated the highway was blocked in Nye canyon, five miles west of the town and state highway officials had been asked for help in the fear that bridges may be carried away.

New Submarine Launched
Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 26.—(P)—A month ahead of schedule, the new navy submarine finback was launched today before a restricted crowd of naval officials and yard workmen at the Portsmouth navy yard.

The Weather
Northern California: Partly cloudy with light rain in north tonight and Wednesday; temperatures slightly below normal; gentle northwest wind off coast.

PORTLAND ASKED TO DELAY SCHOOL, SAVE BEAN CROP

Gov. Sprague 'Awfully Worried,' Issues Appeal—Hint Salem Clerks Shirked.

Salem, Aug. 26.—(P)—Governor Charles A. Sprague appealed today to Ralph E. Dugdale, superintendent of Portland schools, to excuse students to work in the bean, hop and fruit fields. Portland schools open next week.

Asserting there is a "serious emergency" in the harvesting of fall crops, the governor wrote that the shortage of farm workers would be especially acute for the next two weeks.

"For many years, the farmers have depended upon young people, including many of school age, for assistance in gathering their crops. They will need to rely on these young people more this year than in former years. In the past, the Portland schools have been very cooperative in the matter of releasing young people for this special employment," the governor wrote.

Salem, Aug. 26.—(P)—Salem business men let their employees have the day off yesterday so they could pick beans, but the bosses suspect that many of the employees just went home and had a good day's rest.

Only 2,500 persons, including several hundred in the government's farm labor camp at West Stayton, picked beans. At least 3,000 more pickers are needed immediately.

"Any real let down in picking within the next 48 hours can cause a serious crop loss," W. H. Baillie, manager of the Salem office of the state employment service, said. The bean harvest will continue for three more weeks.

BELGIUM LODGES PUT UNDER BAN

Berlin, Aug. 26.—(P)—The German military commander in Belgium decreed today immediate dissolution of all Free Mason lodges and institutions as well as similar organizations and their affiliates.

Property of such organizations was confiscated in favor of Belgium, the commentary Duest Aus Deutschland said. It added the purpose of the decree was to "guarantee the maintenance of order" in Belgium.

SHORTAGE OF FISH IS LATEST FEAR

St. Louis, Aug. 26.—(P)—The increased demand for fish from American waters might cause a shortage in this country, Charles E. Jackson, assistant director of the United States fish and wildlife service, warned members of the American Fisheries society.

Canadian catches formerly shipped to the United States now are sent to Great Britain, Jackson informed members meeting here at the organization's 71st annual convention.

Duff Cooper Off
San Francisco, Aug. 26.—(P)—Alfred Duff Cooper, British coordinator for the far east, and Willis R. Peck, newly appointed United States minister to Thailand, left San Francisco by clipper plane on their way to their new posts in the Orient.

Record Bean Canning
Salem, Aug. 26.—(P)—The California Packing corporation claimed today that its Salem plant set a world record when it received 388 tons of beans last Thursday. On the previous day, it had handled 382 tons.

War Bulletins

Rome, Aug. 26.—(P)—The Italian high command announced today that an Italian torpedo-carrying plane had damaged a British cruiser of the Dido class off the Libyan coast near Salum.

Berlin, Aug. 26.—(P)—Five British bombers attacking a German convoy were shot down today, authorized German sources said.

London, Aug. 26.—(P)—Diving over the white cliffs of Dover to skim at times just above the sea, a squadron of British fighters hurtled toward the French coast today, picking up in bright sunshine overnight raids on Mannheim and Karlsruhe in Germany's Rhineland. Six planes were reported missing from the night operations over Germany.

German planes dropped bombs last night on two points in South Wales and at one place in southwest England, causing no casualties and only slight damage, the air and home security ministries said.

Helsinki, Finland, Aug. 26.—(P)—The Finnish state information bureau announced tonight the capture of three villages from Russian defense forces. Suosaruri, Savilahti and Myrskylä.

The Russians, it said, had abandoned two other villages on the northern front, Vuontele and Naitojoki.

CURT DAVIS HITS HOMER AND HURLS BROOKLYN TO WIN

St. Louis Beaten 8 To 3 By Former Valley Pitcher In Crucial Game.

Brooklyn, Aug. 26.—(P)—The Dodgers scored in four of the first five innings today to wallop the St. Louis Cardinals 8 to 3 in the first game of their crucial double-header behind the steady seven-hit pitching of Curt Davis. The victory boosted the Dodgers' National league lead to 2 1/2 games.

A run in the fourth on doubles by Don Padgett and Johnny Mize, and Mize's two-run homer in the sixth marked the only scoring ahead of the Cards could make against Davis' slants. Against this, the Dodgers landed on four Cardinal errors, including an even dozen blunders, including a fourth-inning home by Davis, a fourth-inning homer by Davis, a fourth-inning homer by Davis, a fourth-inning homer by Davis.

Except for the Cards' two scoring innings, Davis was rarely in trouble. In fact, he wound up the game by fanning three straight batters in the ninth—Frank Crespi, Marty Marion and Pinchhitter Pep Young.

First game: R. H. E.
St. Louis 3 7 0
Brooklyn 8 12 1
Lanier, Shoun, Gumbert, Crouch and Mancuso, W. Cooper; Davis and Owen.

WAR HEADS LAUD COAST SOLDIERS

Fort Lewis, Wash., Aug. 26.—(P)—Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson and Gen. George C. Marshall, army chief of staff, praised both officers and men for marked advances in training at the windup today of west coast maneuvers of nearly 100,000 men.

In a pouring rain, General Marshall sent the night in the field as the maneuvers ended with a sweeping victory by defending forces which sent a mythical invading force back into the ocean. Secretary Stimson motored here from Seattle this morning and spent a few hours on the Ninth army corps front lines.

LENINGRAD RAIL STATIONS AFIRE, BERLIN REPORT

Russian Home Guards Fight Fiercely—Power Center Taken—Iran Peace Moves.

Moscow, Aug. 26.—(P)—Red army machine-guns were reported today to be mowing down waves of German infantry, motorcyclists and panzer crews trying to close in on Leningrad for the kill after smashing through fortified Novgorod, in Leningrad's outer defense system.

Battles continued along the entire western front, but a Soviet information bureau communication named no specific areas.

Red Star, Soviet army publication, cited the work of machine-guns of an infantry regiment in Marshal Klement Voroshilov's northwest forces defending Leningrad, the second city and one-time capital of the U.S.S.R.

Defenders of besieged Odessa, at the opposite end of the front, were declared to be levying a severe continuing toll upon attacking Rumanian forces.

City Traffic Disrupted
Berlin, Aug. 26.—(P)—DNR reported today that the Luftwaffe blasted railway stations and yards in Leningrad last night and that "the glow of numerous fires lighted the sky for hours."

The news agency said the night assault followed a day-long assault yesterday which disrupted traffic on lines running in the Russian Baltic city. On the central sector of the front it added that main rail lines were destroyed and several trains derailed.

By the Associated Press
Adolf Hitler's high command late today reported the capture of Dniepropetrovsk, described as the last Russian bridgehead on the west bank of the lower Dnieper river, along with 63,596 Soviet prisoners, and other German reports told of a new thrust in the drive on Leningrad in the north.

Dniepropetrovsk, an important hydro-electric power center, lies at the great bend of the Dnieper river, where Soviet Marshal Budenny's armies were expected to make their next big stand.

Belated dispatches from Teheran, the capital of Iran (Persia), indicated Iran might still be seeking a peaceful solution of the dispute which brought invasion by British and Russian armies.

Anglo-Russ Gains
Even after the fighting started, these dispatches said, Teheran police ordered the expulsion of a small number of Germans and Premier Ali Mansur announced that his government was continuing conversations with Britain and Russia "to clarify the reason and object of these aggressions."

Turkey's role in the new middle east conflict, a position under close scrutiny by the Wilhelmstrasse, slanted away from the Anglo-Soviet allies with an official Turkish radio broadcast declaring: "All Turks feel sorrow for Iran."

Some observers saw the possibility that the Turks, under Nazi pressure, might permit German troops to march across Turkey to aid Iran.

Pierce Soviet Cossacks swooping down from the north and British imperial troops striking from the south and west were reported meeting only sporadic resistance from Iran's little army of 190,000 men.

Dispatches from Teheran, the Iran capital, indicated that the government might be preparing the ground for early peace negotiations as German business men to get out of the country within a fortnight.

Dexter, Ore., Aug. 26.—(P)—A strike of 100 CIO workers closed the Lewis Lumber company here yesterday. The union asked union shop and increased wages.