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JAPAN WANTS END OF CHINESE WAR

News Behind The News By Paul Mallon

Washington, Aug. 29.—The Big Seven of southern California war-plane makers and their union chiefs were very quietly summoned to Washington a few days back to adopt a new labor formula.

Their summoner, Mr. Sidney Hillman, labor coordinator, laid the formula out before them at a conference, whereupon it was immediately recognized as the uniform agreement scheme which has worked so well in the maritime industry. In fact, the Kearny ship-building strike was at that very moment again attesting the fact that it did not perform its announced purpose of preventing strikes.

The seven managers squirmed, looked over at the three union representatives (one CIO Auto Workers, one AFL Machinists and the Independent Aircraft Welders) whom they found also squirming. Both sides protested they were doing all right as they are, certainly better than the maritime unions and managers.

The UAWA man refused finally, after more meetings, even

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Radio Highlights

Time is Pacific Standard.

New York, Aug. 29.—(The Special News Service)—A cross-ocean program designed as a tribute to Queen Wilhelmina, exiled ruler of the Netherlands, on her birth anniversary is to be distributed in this country Sunday by the NBC-Red network at 8 a. m. Later at 9:15 a. m. by delayed rebroadcast it is to be shortwaved to England.

Parts of the half-hour are to come from New York, Batavia, Ottawa and London, participants to include Princess Juliana, Governor-General Starckenborgh of The Netherlands East Indies, Prime Minister Pieter Gerbrandy of The Netherlands and Clifford G. Bowers, National symphony orchestra, conducted by Hans Kindler, and a chorus of Dutch singers will provide the music.

Dialing tonight: The War—4:55 CBS; 5:30 NBC-Blue; 6:45 CBS; 7:15 NBC-Red; 8:30 CBS; 8:30 MBS; 8:55 NBC CBS.

Talks—NBC-Red 3:30 Rep. S. A. Day on "We Must Save Our Republic"; NBC-Blue 6 Prime Minister Fraser on "New Zealand and the War"; CBS 6:30 Rep. R. F. Jones opposing lend-lease aid to Russia; MBS 7 Chas. A. Lindbergh from Oklahoma City on "Air Power."

What to expect Saturday: The War—4 a. m., NBC CBS; 4:55 NBC-Blue; 5 NBC-Red CBS; 7 CBS; 8 MBS; 11:55 CBS MBS; 12 noon, NBC MBS; 2:25 NBC; 2:30 CBS NBC-Blue; 2:45 CBS.

KIN AFTER HELP FOR FOLKS HIT GENERAL SHOWERS OVER STATE DUE

Portland, Aug. 29.—(P)—The state public welfare commission protested today against sons and daughters with good incomes who seek state old age assistance for their parents.

Elmer Goudy, administrator, said the most pressure "comes from the relatives and in most cases relatives with good incomes. The worst offenders are persons with public jobs, federal, state or county."

Oregon had 30,959 cases receiving public assistance in July, 68.6 per cent in the form of old age assistance, Goudy reported. Direct relief accounted for 23.3 per cent. The total cost was \$688,745.

Wed At Reno

Reno, Aug. 29.—(P)—Marriage license here: Nelson W. McKee, 37, and Clara Isabel Jackson, 39, both Medford.

KONOYE ALARMED AT DRIFT OF U. S. MOSCOW AFFAIRS

Bitter At Aid To Chiang—Parley In Prospect—F.D.R. May Discuss Issue Labor Day.

Tokyo, Saturday, Aug. 30.—(P)—Japanese said today that Premier Kono's message to President Roosevelt stressed Japan's desire to end the Chinese war, and spokesmen complained bitterly against British and United States aid to Chiang Kai-Shek.

A Domei agency statement declared the message was prompted by "the very delicate relations existing between Japan and the United States following outbreak of the Russian-German war" and reaffirmed Japan's desire to establish a "co-prosperity sphere" in east Asia, then lasting peace.

Domei said Japan wanted "disposal of the China affair." Ichi Kishi, a board of information official, said Japan was trying to create peace and security in east Asia through cooperation with the Nanking Wang Ching-Wei regime.

"In spite of this," he added, "these powers (Britain and the United States) are aiding Chungking with materials and munitions and thereby unnecessarily prolonging unfortunate Chinese-Japanese hostilities."

Washington, Aug. 29.—(P)—The man-to-man discussion of American-Japanese relations by President Roosevelt and Ambassador Kichisaburo Nomura impressed diplomatic quarters here today as a possible first step toward a sweeping review of all important points at issue between the two nations.

Asked at his press conference today whether he was hopeful now that "war in the Pacific can be averted," Mr. Roosevelt smilingly dodged making a reply by branding the question too long and too broad.

President Non-Committal
He had no comment on his meeting with Nomura and, to a question asking whether "we are getting anywhere," he replied there was no news on that day. The president said it had not yet been determined when he would see the ambassador again and that he could not say how soon or what would be the reply which will be made to the message from Kono.

Reminded that the second anniversary of the world war was approaching, and asked whether the "outlook is any better," Mr. Roosevelt remarked he was making a speech Monday, which is the second anniversary.

Reporters saw in his words an intimation that he might review the war situation in the address, to be delivered from his home at Hyde Park, N. Y., as part of a program arranged by the Office of Production Management.

Presumably any such review would cover the far eastern crisis, but the president gave no hint whether it was his intention to mention it.

GENERAL SHOWERS OVER STATE DUE

Portland, Aug. 29.—(P)—The weatherman, who promised a return to normal August weather yesterday, reversed himself today. Scattered showers to night will become general over Oregon Saturday, he said.

Lakeview, where 11 of an inch of rain fell, was the only Oregon point reporting precipitation yesterday.

Temperatures, the forecast said, would be mild tonight and Saturday.

LABOR DAY EDITION

Due to Monday being Labor day, the Mail-Tribune will be issued early.

Laval Takes Change for Worse; Nazi Aide Under Knife

Filipino Fliers Take Oath



Lined up in review formation at Manila and surrounded by their planes, Filipino airmen and flying cadets take their oath of allegiance to the United States after Lieut. Gen. Douglas MacArthur, acting on orders from President Roosevelt, incorporated the flying corps within the structure of the American army.

DOOM HITCHHIKER TO GAS CHAMBER DEATH ON OCT. 30

Condon, Ore., Aug. 29.—(P)—Circuit Judge Carl Hendricks passed the death sentence on James Harvey Thomas, 19-year-old sailor, today.

The youth, convicted of slaying Douglas F. Smith of Aberdeen near Arlington on June 11, will be executed in the lethal gas chamber at the state penitentiary October 30.

"I did not intend to do it," Thomas replied when the court asked him if there were any reasons why he should not be sentenced.

Sheriff Frank E. Bennett and a guard left for Salem with the prisoner.

Thomas testified he had hitched a ride with Smith near Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and "on the spur of the moment" decided to shoot him. He said he threw Smith's body over a bank and took the car. A passing motorist found the body 12 days later.

San Quentin, Calif., Aug. 29.—(P)—A strange young man who resisted every effort for clemency in his behalf, was executed today at the side of another convict for whom he had formed an odd attachment.

The two, Eldon Hawk, 26, and John Lininger, 40, died in the gas chamber. The murderers asked that they be buried side by side.

After they were strapped in the two chairs in the chamber, and bandages had been taped over their eyes, and the door sealed, the two men spoke to each other, but witnesses could not hear them.

"I'll be seeing you—I know I will," Hawk had said to his spiritual advisor.

As the gas formed in the chamber, the heads of both men fell almost simultaneously. They were pronounced dead in nine minutes.

CAMP SITE FARMS SAFE 'TIL SPRING

Salem, Aug. 29.—(P)—Benton and Polk county farmers whose farms are on the site of the proposed new army cantonment probably won't have to give up their property until next spring, army officials said today.

The officers, whose headquarters are at Albany, said final plans will be sent to the war department by September 10.

Bend, Aug. 29.—(P)—Burglars knocked the handle from the Central Oregon Motor company safe here Wednesday night, but failed to open the door.

COAST GAS SLASH HITS ROAD FUND

Portland, Aug. 29.—(P)—R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, said yesterday that the predicted slash of gasoline consumption on the Pacific coast by 10 per cent would endanger Oregon's highway funds.

If the reduction, predicted before a senate committee by Ralph A. Davies, acting federal oil coordinator, were put in effect it would cost Oregon \$1,000,000 annually in gasoline taxes, Baldock said, and impair the state's ability to match federal funds.

SOLDIER 'AWOL' TO SEE FAMILY, HELD

Glasgow, Mont., Aug. 29.—(P)—An army private who went A. W. O. L. from the Pendleton, Ore., air base to see his wife and children, and was held at Fort Peck near here today, said he had no regrets.

Albert Simonson, 27, said he asked for a furlough to see his family, the youngest of his three children having been born early this month, but was turned down.

He said he told his commanding officer he was going to leave anyway and added here, "I'd do the same thing again."

Anxiety over his wife's condition led to the unauthorized leave, Simonson said.

ASHLAND VOTERS KILL BOND ISSUE

Ashland, Aug. 29.—(Spl)—The Ashland board of education today considered plans for replacement of Washington elementary school here, after voters yesterday rejected a bond issue proposal.

The \$90,000 measure was defeated 466 to 112.

Part of the present building has been condemned.

First Plane Trip
Salem, Aug. 29.—(P)—Governor Charles A. Sprague will have his first ride in an Oregon national guard airplane tomorrow when he goes from Portland to Ontario to attend the Malheur county fair.

Guards Officially Told
Salem, Aug. 29.—(P)—The war department officially notified Gov. Charles A. Sprague today that the Oregon national guard, which was inducted into federal service Sept. 15, 1940, would remain in the regular army another 18 months.

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR RECORD TAX ACT

Washington, Aug. 29.—(P)—The senate finance committee approved today an unprecedented \$3,872,400,000 tax bill.

The measure was estimated by the treasury to carry \$456,000,000 more than was voted by the house.

Chairman George (D-Ga.) of the finance group told reporters, however, that he believed the treasury estimates of \$3,872,400,000 would prove low.

"In a full year of operation," he said, "I believe this bill would raise approximately \$4,000,000,000."

George said that although the measure was given general approval in its present form, the finance committee would meet Tuesday to consider any technical changes in language which may appear desirable.

Before winding up its work, the committee voted to exempt from excess profits taxes the strategic metals industries.

The measure would create between 6,000,000 and 7,000,000 new taxpayers by lowering personal income exemptions from \$2,000 to \$1,500 for married persons and from \$800 to \$750 for single individuals. The lowered exemptions were designed to raise more than \$300,000,000 in additional revenue.

EUGENE GETS CENT BOOST MILK COST

Portland, Aug. 29.—(P)—The State Milk Control board, which approved a one-cent per quart increase for Eugene, indicated today that it would jack up Portland's prices again.

J. H. Mapes, board administrator, testified at a price hearing that a gradual increase would be more acceptable to the public than one heavy jolt.

Only about 50 protests were made by consumers after the price of four per cent milk went from 11 to 12 cents a quart June 16, he added. The producers and distributors ask a two-cent increase on four per cent and a three-cent on five per cent this time.

New V. of F. W. Chief
Philadelphia, Aug. 29.—(P)—Max Singer, a detective inspector and fingerprint expert in the Boston police force, was elected national commander-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars today.

The election was by acclamation and was unanimous. Singer moved up from the office of senior vice commander-in-chief.

AXIS CHIEFS END SECRET MEETING; REVEAL WAR AIMS

Duration Of War, Military And Political Issues Discussed—High Ideals Sounded.

Berlin, Aug. 29.—(P)—Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini concluded a secret five-day meeting on the eastern front today with the announcement that they aimed at removing the causes of war and developing cooperation for all the peoples of Europe, predicated on complete axis victory.

Their meeting began on Monday, within sound of cannon fire on the front.

(It started just 11 days after President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill's Atlantic conference and expression of war and peace aims were announced.)

The communique disclosing the conference, which was attended by the highest military and political officials of both nations, said Hitler and Mussolini discussed "all political and military questions concerning the development and duration of the war."

It listed "destruction of the bolshevik danger and of plutocratic exploitation" as necessary to create the political, economic and cultural cooperation envisioned for Europe.

(The Roosevelt-Churchill statement of aims for world peace, freedom and prosperity envisaged the destruction of "nazi tyranny.")

The text of the statement from the fuhrer's headquarters said: "The fuhrer and I duce met at the fuhrer's headquarters between August 25-29 in discussions which took place at the fuhrer's headquarters from the north and south fronts. There was thorough discussions of all military and political questions concerning the development and duration of the war."

"The questions were studied in a spirit of close companionship and unity of fate which characterize relations of the axis powers."

"The discussions were permeated with the unchangeable will of both peoples and their leaders to wage war to a victorious end."

"The new European order which will emanate from this victory shall remove as extensively as possible the causes which gave rise in the past to European wars."

"Destruction of the bolshevik danger and of plutocratic exploitation will create the possibility of peaceful, harmonious and profitable cooperation of all peoples of the European continent in the political as well as in the economic and cultural spheres."

COAST TROOPS IN DISCHARGE PLAN

Washington, Aug. 29.—(P)—The war department announced details today of plans for releasing 200,000 soldiers from military service by the end of the year, and disclosed the largest group would come from the third army.

An announcement said that 46,000 men would be released from the third army which has headquarters at San Antonio, Tex.; 39,300 from the first army with headquarters at Governors Island, N. Y.; 19,300 from the second army, with headquarters at Memphis, Tenn.; and 26,200 from the fourth army, with headquarters at San Francisco; 8,700 from the armored force, and 5,100 from services with the army air force.

The fourth army includes the ninth army corps which is made up of groups in Oregon, California, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

BASEBALL

National
Score: R. H. E.
Brooklyn 5 10 2
New York 4 10 1
Wyatt and Owen; Schumacher, Wittig, Adams and Danning.

BUDYENNY FORCES FORM NEW LINES ACROSS DNEIPER

Fighting Retreat Blocks German Encirclement In Ukraine—Odessa Holds Out.

Moscow, Aug. 29.—(P)—The southwestern red army of Marshal Semeon Budyenny, much of which apparently has been saved from German encirclement by a stubborn, fighting retreat, opened a new phase of the battle of the Ukraine today from strong defense lines on the east bank of the lower Dnieper river.

The Russians covered the retreat by ruthlessly blasting to rubble their great Dnieperstroy dam and power plant, the largest in Europe, and indicated they had exacted a heavy toll of the Nazis before yielding the industrial city of Dnieperpetrovsk, 50 miles up the river from the dam.

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The single important island of resistance to the Germans and their allies in the southwestern Ukraine west of the Dnieper was Odessa, Russia's largest port on the Black sea. There red sailors and soldiers, cut off from help by land, were prepared to defend the port of more than 600,000 persons to the very end.

Farther north, the red army battled to save Kiev, capital of the Ukraine, on the west bank of the Dnieper.

Fighting was reported raging in pouring rain on the central front, with Russian counterattacks gaining ground and Russian units routing a German infantry division. It was said at least 3,000 members of the division had been killed.

Naval Victory Claimed
Berlin, Aug. 29.—(P)—German forces have stormed and taken Tallinn, fighting a naval battle which apparently is still continuing, and have delivered a crushing blow to the red naval forces in the Baltic, the German high command announced today.

Besides raising Hitler's banner over the Estonian capital, the naval base on the Gulf of Finland less than an hour by bomber from Leningrad, official announcements said air and naval attacks had sunk 32 Russian ships—22 transports and 10 war vessels—and heavily damaged seven others.

ARMY AIR FORCE TO TOUR FRONTS

Washington, Aug. 29.—(P)—A group of army air force officers, headed by Major General George R. Brett, chief of the air corps, will tour the African, Near East, Mediterranean and Atlantic war fronts to make a first-hand study of British needs for American aviation equipment.

In making this announcement today, the war department said the date of departure of the group would not be made public. It added that there was no fixed schedule as to the length and itinerary of the trip.

PUD Power Purchase

La Grande, Aug. 29.—(P)—The Eastern Oregon Light and Power company had an offer of \$825,000 for its Union county property today from the Union county PUD.

ORDER EMERGENCY OPERATION; FEAR WOUND INFECTED

Doctors Worry Over Fever Rise—Home Town Of Attacker Stirred—Round Up Continues.

Paris, Aug. 29.—(P)—Doctors decided to attempt an emergency operation on Pierre Laval late this afternoon to remove an assassin's bullet from just below his heart to save his life. (Since it was 8 p. m. in Paris at 1 p. m. EST., the operation may already have been performed at that time. Communications from the German-occupied French capital are slow.)

Fears for the 58-year-old French leader mounted through the day as physicians attributed a sustained fever to a possible infection from the bullet wound, inflicted two days ago.

The doctors' anxiety increased as Laval's temperature, which stayed at 39 degrees centigrade (102.2 degrees Fahrenheit) from early morning until late afternoon rose another half degree centigrade (to slightly over 103 degrees Fahrenheit) in early evening.

The sudden turn for the worse occurred overnight. If the high temperature should prove due to the beginning of an infection, it was pointed out, vital organs may be affected, since the bullet is lodged only about one-tenth of an inch from Laval's heart.

Because of the danger of disturbing Laval, the examining magistrate for Paul Colette, who shot Laval and Marcel Desat Wednesday, and the prosecuting attorney were barred from the hospital room when they called before noon.

Many Jailed
At the same time, it was learned that French police had broadened their counter-drive against opposition elements to include the empire. A military tribunal at Meknes, French Morocco, sentenced two men to serve six years at hard labor for "an attack on the external security of the state."

A woman was condemned to three years in jail.

In Toulouse, police were conducting a house-to-house search for a ring possessing a large stock of leaflets, presumably De Gaulle, attacking the government.

Two alleged De Gaulleists, described as "of English origin," meanwhile, were sentenced at Marseille to 20 years at hard labor and a third, whose French origins were unquestioned, got 10 years at hard labor.

Emotions were reported running high in Colette's home town, Caen, at the news of his arrest and one of the things which may have stirred the community was the report that he had appeared at hearings showing bloody evidence of a bad beating by volunteers in the anti-Soviet legion.

ONE DEAD, 2 HURT IN BOMBER CRASH

Los Angeles, Aug. 29.—(P)—One man was killed and two were injured critically today in the crash of a B-25 type army bomber four minutes after it took off on a proposed two-hour test flight.

James Knight, 24, Los Angeles, the radio operator, was inextricably caught in the wreckage and perished when it caught fire.

Driver Absolved
Portland, Aug. 29.—(P)—The driver of the car in which Garth M. Carr, 21, was killed near Gresham a week ago was absolved from blame by a coroner's jury here yesterday. Carr was sleeping, with his head out of the window of the car driven by Frederick H. Erdmann, 30. The car struck a traffic sign and Carr's head was crushed.