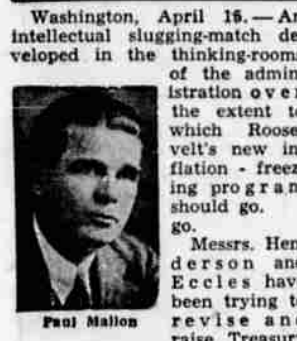


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News Behind The News By Paul Mallon



Washington, April 15.—An intellectual slugging-match developed in the thinking-rooms of the administration over the extent to which Roosevelt's new inflation-freezing program should go.

Messrs. Henderson and Eccles have been trying to revise and raise Treasury Secretary Morgenthau's tax program. They want to plan taxes jointly with price controls, and even compulsory savings, to recapture from the hands of the people what they call "excess savings."

As congressional committees understand it, the Morgenthau treasury department group expects there will be only about \$15,000,000,000 of "excess savings" in the hands of the people this year.

Out of the various conferences held on the subject have come estimates that the farmers will have three or four billions, corporations five or six, individuals five or six—roughly around 15 billions in all.

THE treasury group thinks it can recapture this with its already heavy tax program and voluntary subscription of war bonds.

The Henderson-Eccles line of reasoning is that the excess savings figure will continue to run upward, and when people get to bidding for scarce goods, they will force prices into inflationary levels.

Why this should be so is not clear to me.

If prices are fixed, you would expect them to be fixed. Any bidding beyond their fixed limits would be a violation of law.

Therefore, price freezing of itself should do more to stop inflation than the taking of a nebulous amount of "excess savings" calculated in advance.

Furthermore, this "excess"

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REGISTRY TABULATION TO TAKE SEVERAL DAYS

Registration for the May primary election closed at eight o'clock last night, the county clerk's keeping open until that hour for the benefit of belated voters.

The registration will not be tabulated for several days. The clerk's office reported there were not many new voters, but many changes in precinct residences.

DR. WALTER WOODWARD
Richmond, Ind., April 15.—(AP) Dr. Walter C. Woodward, 65, nationally known Quaker leader and former instructor of history and political science at Pacific College, Newberg, Ore., died here yesterday.

Radio Highlights

Pacific War Time
Tonight: Blue—7:45, Rep. V. Marcantonio on "Smith Labor Bill."
MBS—8, Preview of Drake Relays.
Thursday: Blue—7:30 a.m., Byron Price on "The Newspaper in Wartime"; 1:30, Sir Girijai S. Bajpai on "India and The War."

SIDE GLANCES

BY TRIBUNE REPORTERS
Dewey Hill down from Prospect looking for baseball material in Central Point.
Riley Cook, postal employee, saying his work was all in the day's mail.
Joe Marshall outdoing himself in his role of super-perfect host to a group of local Bourbons.

RECREATION SPOT FOR ARMY BOYS TO COST \$93,000

Construction of Building or Remodeling of Structure Yet To Be Decided.

Government authorization for a \$93,000 recreational facility for Medford under the United Service Organizations' nation-wide program was forthcoming today, it was disclosed in a telegram received by the Mail Tribune from Representative James W. Mott.

The telegram, bringing news long-awaited by the recreation committee of the Jackson County

CORVALLIS TOO
Washington, April 15.—(AP)—The federal works agency today announced approval of \$45,000 for recreational purposes at the army cantonment near Corvallis, Senator Mc Nary was informed. This covers cost of land and building for worship, games and dances.

ty War Council, stated: "President today approved Federal Security Agency's application for recreational facility at Medford. Amount ninety-three thousand dollars."

Building Plan Unknown
Whether the facility would take the form of a new building or buildings or whether existing structures would be obtained and converted was not immediately known here. Neither was it known when work on the recreational center for Camp White soldiers would start.

E. W. Carlton, member of the recreation committee of the county war council, said a site for new buildings had been offered the Federal Security Agency, but that it had not yet been approved by Don T. Orput of Portland, FSA's recreational field representative for Oregon. Mr. Carlton explained that the Federal Security Agency would finance the cost of the project and that the facility would be supervised by a local U.S.O. council to be named by Orput.

This council, Mr. Carlton said, would include a representative from each of the six organizations comprising the United Service Organizations and three local persons. Agencies comprising the U. S. O. are the Salvation Army, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Jewish Welfare Board, National Travelers Aid Association and the National Catholic Community Service. Actual operation of the facility will be in the hands of one or more agencies of the U. S. O.

Word Long Waited
The recreation committee of the Jackson County War Council, headed by Mrs. Alfred S. V. Carpenter, has for some time been in readiness to swing into action with full cooperation for the U.S.O. when its recreational center is in operation. In December Mrs. Carpenter made a trip to LaJolla, Calif., to confer with executives of the U.S.O. unit there and to obtain information on its function.

The nation-wide U.S.O. program is designed to provide places of recreation for soldiers, sailors, marines and others in the armed forces, in localities adjacent to cantonments and bases.

GUERRILLA UNIT
Weston, Ore., April 15.—(AP) Weston has joined other Oregon communities forming guerrilla units. Twenty men have banded together with 50 set as the group's membership goal.

Pendleton, Ore., April 15.—(AP)—The 29th annual convention of the Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers' association convention will be held in John Day May 1 and 2. On the speaking program are Gov. Charles A. Sprague, R. G. Johnson, newly appointed head of the livestock school at Oregon State college, U. G. Dubach and Earl Price, both of O.S.C., F. E. Mollin of Denver and Edward Wentworth of Chicago.

Big American Bombers Smash Japanese Bases

PETAINE SEEKING MEANS TO AVOID BREAK WITH U. S.

Aged Chief in Eleventh Hour Effort—U. S. Holds Up Non-Military Shipments.

By Roger D. Greene
Associated Press War Editor
France's aged chief of state Petaine was reported seeking an eleventh-hour means of avoiding a break with the United States late today even as France's new role in the war assumed grave importance on the basis of German reports that the French army would be reorganized.

Advices reaching Bern, Switzerland, said Petaine still hoped to prevent an open rupture while his new No. 1 aide, the pro-Nazi Pierre Laval, returned to Paris to report on his progress to German collaboration agents.

Hold Up Supplies
As a first step in the crisis of Washington-Vichy relations, the United States held up shipments of non-military supplies to French North Africa, it was officially announced.

Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles disclosed that two ships in New York harbor loaded with supplies for North Africa, which were about to sail, would be held in port. Welles further announced that arrangements to send a Red Cross ship with milk and children's clothes to unoccupied France have been held in abeyance pending clarification of the situation in Vichy.

Advices reaching London quoted well-informed Berlin circles as saying that General Henri Dentz, former French commander in Syria, would shortly receive one of the highest posts in the French army and would reorganize the army and the general staff in line with "the new policy of France."

Nazi Lines Broken
Other major developments in the European war theater included:

1. Russian front—Soviet dispatches said red army troops had smashed through German first-line defenses guarding Bryansk, key Nazi base only 60 miles from the border of White Russia, and were now battling fiercely in the second lines.

Bryansk lies 200 miles south-west of Moscow.

The Moscow News said that relatively heavy German counter-attacks had cost the invaders

War Bulletins

London, April 15.—(AP)—The RAF's day-long assault on the German-occupied northern French coast, after a previous 24 hours of steady attack, continued into the night with heavy explosions shaking the area about Calais and rattling windows on this side of the channel.

The explosions were observed shortly after flights of bombers and many fighting squadrons roared across the strait of Dover.

OCD Coordinators For Ping Pong to Get Walking Papers

Washington, April 15.—(AP)—The much-discussed division of physical fitness, formerly part of the office of civilian defense, was abolished by Federal Security Administrator Paul V. McNutt.

Many of the members of the division's staff were dismissed effective May 1, and their activities absorbed immediately by McNutt's office of defense health and welfare services.

McNutt announced that nine of the 36 division employees together with Director John B. Kelly, Philadelphia contractor and nationally known athlete, would be retained in the consolidation.

Kelly, with a staff of two, will have headquarters in Philadelphia and will hold the title of assistant director of defense health and welfare services—without compensation.

All of the various sports "coordinators" established by Kelly throughout the country to promote bowling, ping pong, tennis, horseshoe pitching and other activities were dropped by McNutt, although he noted in a statement that he hoped they would "continue to promote these vital community programs" on their own.

RAIN IS BOON

Pendleton, April 15.—(AP)—Heavy rainfall in Umatilla county Monday night, bringing 2.3 of an inch of moisture, was hailed today by wheat and pea growers as worth \$1,000,000. Near-drought conditions were reported before the downpour.

22,000 killed and several times that many wounded since April 1, and that the Germans had lost 466 planes in the first seven days of April, against 86 Soviet planes missing.

Heavy fighting continued to range on the Leningrad front, with a red army bulletin reporting that 2,200 Germans were killed there within 48 hours.

Vitriolic Hugh Johnson Is Pneumonia Victim

Washington, April 15.—(AP)—General Hugh S. Johnson—the hard-driving, angry-tongued "Ironpant" of the World War, and the recovery period NRA, and more recently a caustic news paper columnist—died of pneumonia today, 12 hours after writing a last column against his doctor's orders for rest.



Death came to the 59-year-old former soldier at 4:45 a. m. in a Washington hotel. He had been weakened by several months of ill health.

Although he rose from captain to a brigadier general with a distinguished service medal in the World War, Johnson died technically a private. President Roosevelt on last April 30 re-

fused his reappointment as an army reserve officer.

General Johnson came to national fame in 1933, when he organized across the country or organizing the NRA—the recovery period system of codes of practice for business and industry to keep prices and wages from being deflated.

He assailed as "chiselers," "traitors," and "traitors" all those who refused to cooperate with him. When his NRA was in full swing he estimated that it had made 3,000,000 jobs and increased the country's purchasing power by \$3,000,000,000 a year.

Impatient of restraint, the general had quarrelled frequently with fellow new deal officials. He often criticized the "brain trust" of presidential advisers and finally, in October of 1935, he denounced the new deal for "amazing blunders and failures" and called it "rule by radicals."

He once publicly told Harry Hopkins to "go to hell."

SPECTACULAR RAID CONDUCTED FROM AUSTRALIAN FIELD

3 Transports Sunk at Cebu—Others Hit—1 Bomber Lost, Crew Saved.

United States Army Headquarters in Australia, April 15.—(AP)—Thirteen big American bombers operating from Australia made smashing attacks on Japanese bases and shipping at Manila, Cebu, Davao and Batangas in the Philippine islands Monday and Tuesday, it was announced tonight.

The communique said "enemy shipping, docks and aircraft were destroyed and damaged in an American air attack in the Philippines area April 13 and 14. The flight consisted of three B-17's and 10 B-25's under personal command of Brig. Gen. Ralph Royce, Nichols Field, Batangas, Cebu and Davao were attacked."

Leader Decorated
The bombers had hardly come to a standstill on the runway on returning to their base somewhere in Australia when Brig. Gen. Rush Lincoln, representing the United Nations air commander, Lieut. Gen. George H. Brett, rushed up and handed General Royce the distinguished flying cross, as directed by President Roosevelt.

The raiders destroyed three Japanese transports at Cebu and hit others; struck two transports and probably sank one at Davao; shot down three Japanese planes and damaged several others on the ground; destroyed hangars and damaged runways at Nichols field near Manila, and did considerable damage to docks, the announcement said.

At Batangas, a Japanese cargo ship, presumably carrying military supplies, was sunk.

One Bomber Lost

The entire, spectacular raid was accomplished with the loss of only one plane, and its crew was saved.

(The distance from northern-most Australia to Manila is roughly 2,000 miles; to Davao 1,400. Since the B-25 bombers have a round-trip range, loaded, of about 1,700 miles, the implication was that they may have refueled somewhere in American-held territory in the Philippines.)

(The three B-17's—the famous flying fortresses—could make the round trip readily without refueling.)

By Associated Press
Tokyo naval quarters asserted today that Japanese warships operating close to the shores of India had sunk 15 large merchant ships in less than an hour in a surprise attack April 6 on a British convoy, while on the critical Burma war front, British and Chinese troops again were forced to retreat.

A late bulletin from Chinese headquarters in Chungking said the Japanese were also launching a major offensive from the north, striking down through the southern Shan states, in north Burma, in a maneuver to "squeeze" the allies.

British headquarters conceded that Japanese invasion columns were now within 30 miles of the heart of the central Burma oil fields, chief source of China's oil supplies.

In the Philippines, Tokyo broadcast said, Japanese bombers and heavy artillery on the Bataan coast joined in a violent bombardment of siege-bound Corregidor island fortress, in Manila bay, silencing an American battery and seriously damaging fortifications.

DEAF VALEDICTORIAN

Spokane, April 15.—(AP)—17-year-old Jacqueline (Jackie) Davis, who hasn't been able to hear since she was 10 years old is going to be valedictorian of her class this year at John Rogers high school here.

Fourteen Die In Navy Bomber Crashes



This was all that was left of two navy Catalina patrol bombers that crashed in the hills near Livermore, Calif., causing the death of 14 men aboard. One occupant escaped with injuries. Top: First of the wrecked planes in which seven died; below—other ship from which one escaped, seven died.

Coddling of Interned Japs May Bring Probe by Senate

Washington, April 15.—(AP)—Senator Gillette (D-Pa.) said today he might ask the senate to investigate reports that interned Japanese nationals in this country "are being paid at a higher rate than our soldiers and others in the armed forces."

Gillette said that much of his information had come from Kilsoo Haan, Korean who has been engaged in anti-Japanese activities in this country and the Hawaiian islands for several years.

"One report is that Japs now interned were receiving more than \$50 monthly compared with \$21 monthly going to selectees," the senator said.

"Still another is that in a Jap camp in North Dakota the interned Japs have been holding political meetings attended by Germans from the nearby community. My information is that guards outside the fence around the camp have been kept outside of hearing distance from these political sessions."

The senator said in an interview that interned Japanese were "fed well, clothed well and have been entertained well" and he was considering offering this proposed four-point program:

1. Place all Japanese, both native and aliens, under United States authority and remove them from all Pacific coast states.
2. Rescind all civil rights for Japanese in this country and Hawaii for duration of the war.
3. Draft all Jap males between 20 and 44 years for agricultural work under army control and at basic army pay. They might be used to produce vegetables.
4. Support all other alien Japanese with enemy funds now frozen in this country.

"The present frozen funds of Japs amount to about \$130,000,000 with several hundred millions more that could be liquidated," the senator said.

Medford Farm Labor Camp Opens July 20

Portland, April 15.—(AP)—Oregon farm labor camps will provide housing facilities for 12,700 season farm workers this year, Walter A. Duffy, regional FSA director, said yesterday.

The schedules for Oregon mobile units includes: Grants Pass, July 10-September 1; Medford, July 20-October 5.

NYLON CURRENCY IS SILK THREAD SAVER

Washington, April 15.—(AP)—Got any nylon money?
Treasury officials disclosed today that currency printed on paper containing nylon instead of silk was put into test circulation a few days ago but no one seems to have spotted it.

The first batch of that 100 per cent home-made brand of American money was distributed through the Philadelphia Federal Reserve bank as a test to determine whether it wore as well as the old kind.

ISOLATIONIST IS ILLINOIS G.O.P. SENATE CHOICE

Chicago, April 15.—(AP)—Illinois republicans renominated Senator C. Wayland Brooks, pre-war isolationist, in yesterday's primary while democrats chose Congressman Raymond S. McKeough, firm supporter of President Roosevelt during four terms in the house, to oppose Brooks in November.

Brooks, carrying the personal support of his party's leaders, and McKeough, backed by the powerful Chicago democratic organization, appeared the victors as soon as returns began coming in. Their opponents conceded defeat early in the night.

Returns from 7,717 of the state's 8,612 precincts gave Brooks 596,999 and Wright 122,890.

McKeough led Douglas by a vote of 535,960 to 249,332 in 7,459 precincts.

Incumbent congressmen seeking renomination fared well. Of the 26 members of the Illinois delegation, 10 had opposition, 10 were automatically renominated without contests and six either retired or ran for other offices. Eight of the 10 running with opposition were leading and appeared likely to win.

A landslide gave Brooks the nomination over Warren Wright, state treasurer who centered his campaign on his announcement of approval of the Roosevelt administration's foreign policies four days before the Japs raided Pearl Harbor.

McKeough's opponent, Paul H. Douglas, has been an ardent supporter of President Roosevelt.

The Chicago organization, headed by Mayor Edward J. Kelly and County Chairman Pat Nash, worked up the backing that gave McKeough a lead of more than 2 to 1.

While most people recognize the call of the whippoorwill, few have seen the bird as it rarely flies in daytime.

BASEBALL

American	R. H. E.
Cleveland	2 7 0
Detroit	6 11 1
Post, Ferrick, Eisenstat, and Denning; Trout and Tebbetts.	
Philadelphia	1 6 0
Boston	3 10 0
Wolf and Wagner; Dobson and Conroy.	
National	
Brooklyn	4 8 1
New York	6 8 1
Higbe, Casper and Sullivan; McGee, Adams, Melton and Danning.	
Pittsburgh	6 9 0
Cincinnati	2 6 1
Dietz and Lopez; Riddle, Starr and Hemslaw.	