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TRUMAN SELECTS JAMES F. BYRNES FOR STATE POST

Confirmation By Senate Is Assured; President and Landon Talk.

Kansas City, Mo., June 30—(U.P.)—James F. Byrnes was named tonight by President Truman as the new secretary of state.

White House Press Secretary Charles G. Ross told reporters late today that "the President on Monday will send to the senate the nomination of James F. Byrnes as secretary of state."

In that capacity Byrnes will be Mr. Truman's right hand man as he seeks to develop a bipartisan foreign policy on a long-term basis, capable of withstanding administration changes.

Byrnes, an old senate colleague of Mr. Truman and a close personal friend, appeared certain of senate confirmation because of his many close friends on Capitol Hill.

The President worked in a visit this afternoon with his mother, 92-year-old Mrs. Martha Truman, and his sister, Miss Mary Jane Truman, at their cottage home in suburban Grandview, then retired to the summer White House.

During the morning the Chief Executive signed the bill raising the salaries of federal employees. He awaited a last minute dispatch from Washington, containing such legislation as the OPA extension bill and the war department appropriation measure.

His visit home gave him the opportunity to invite Alf M. Landon, the Kansan who led the GOP in the 1936 presidential campaign, in for a meeting. Landon responded readily and the two talked for 45 minutes.

BIG 3 MAY TALK PANAMA CONTROL

London, June 30—(U.P.)—A plan for joint control of the strategic Panama canal by Russia, Britain and the United States may be discussed at the forthcoming Big Three meeting, Eric Grey, London Daily Express correspondent in Cairo, said today.

A foreign office commentator said "There definitely is nothing to indicate any internationalization of the Panama canal."

Grey said Russia also may be offered several seats on the control board of the Suez canal. Discussions concerning the future control of the Dardanelles will be linked with control of the Suez, possibly even the control of Panama, he said.

RUMOR NAZI WAR LORDS ON YACHT

Madrid, June 30—(U.P.)—Dispatches from Tangier said tonight that a mysterious yacht with war criminals believed to be aboard had been detected steaming southward along the African coast.

The yacht was said to be operating under a Canadian flag, but its name had been painted out. The Tangier report quoted a correspondent at Las Palmas, Canary islands, as saying war criminals were believed aboard.

CONGRESS VOTES COST FDR RITES

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—The omnibus appropriation bill approved in the closing hours of the fiscal year tonight included \$14,500 to pay for the funeral of the late President Roosevelt.

The amount was inserted by the Senate Appropriations committee as part of the funds available for the office of the president.

NO PAPER JULY 4TH In order to permit employees of the Mail Tribune to enjoy the holiday, and in accordance with long custom, the newspaper will not be published Wednesday, July 4.

Heads U. S. State Department



James F. Byrnes, former assistant to the late President Roosevelt, named for important cabinet post by President Truman.

CHINESE FORCES CAPTURE FRENCH INDO-CHINA CITY

Chungking, June 30—(U.P.)—Chinese forces driving down from Kwangsi province have invaded French Indo-China and captured a former French military post seven miles inside the border, while other Chinese troops stamped out the last resistance in the former American airbase city of Liuchow, it was disclosed today.

The drive into Indo-China swept up the important four-way road center of Chungkingfu (Trung Khanh Phu), 70 miles south of the great allied base of Posen in Kwangsi province, and set the Chinese directly astride two invasion routes to the Indo-Chinese capital of Hanoi.

The fall of Liuchow, more than 200 miles to the northeast in central Kwangsi province, ended two weeks of siege by several Chinese columns and set the stage for a renewed drive on Kweilin, another major airbase city lost to the Japanese last fall.

The sudden Chinese offensive to the south marked the first time allied troops have invaded Indo-China since the Japanese army marched in unopposed in 1941 under an agreement with the Vichy government and placed it under armed "protection."

HOUSE VOTES TO EXTEND OPA YEAR

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—Legislation renewing the life of the wartime price control law was sent speeding westward by airplane tonight so it could be signed by President Truman before the midnight deadline.

The bill, keeping the Office of Price Administration alive for another 12 months, was rushed to a waiting plane after the house had beaten down Republican efforts to send it back to conference with the senate. The compromise recommended by senate and house conferees was approved by a vote of 255 to 94. The senate had acted two days ago.

MANCHURIA MOVE BY JAPAN FALSE

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—Authoritative army and navy sources said tonight that Japan's promise to protect its industry from American bombs by transporting it to Manchuria is a propaganda lie for home consumption. They declared flatly that such a program is impossible.

PVT. M'GEE FACES HIS TENTH TRIAL OF ARMY CAREER

Fort Devens, Mass., June 30—(U.P.)—Pvt. Joseph McGee, 22, of Worcester, whose two-year sentence to hard labor for striking nine German prisoners evoked national protest last month, faced the 10th court martial of his army career tonight after being seized by military police for being AWOL for six days.

McGee, who has been away without leave three times since his sentence was rescinded by the War department, was picked up near his Worcester home and brought to the guard house here. Fort Devens authorities said proceedings probably would be begun next week.

The first time he was AWOL after being feted in Worcester following revocation of the punishment for striking the prisoners McGee was fined \$30 and sentenced to 14 days at hard labor. He holds the Silver Star for bravery and the Purple Heart for wounds incurred during overseas service.

The War department disclosed recently that the infantryman had been court-martialed nine times between Feb. 20, 1941 and the occasion when he struck the German prisoners when they insulted him while he directed their work. Most of the charges were AWOL.

MIGHTY SEVENTH FORMALLY ENDED

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—The record-breaking mighty seventh war loan ended formally tonight with sales to all investors totaling \$22,698,000,000, the treasury's war finance division announced tonight.

Additional hundreds of millions will be chucked up to the drive next week when final accounting will be made. The grand total probably will not be known before July 9. Sales still to be recorded are mostly E bonds.

CZECHS TO SEEK BORDER CHANGES

Prague, June 30—(U.P.)—Dr. Valdo Clementis, Czechoslovak deputy foreign minister, said today that Czechoslovakia will seek rectification of its frontiers toward Austria and Hungary and that requests would be filed "within a matter of days" with the big four governments, as well as the Polish government in Warsaw.

OPA BOOSTS JULY SLAUGHTER QUOTA IN STATE 10 PC.

Make More Meat Available; Removal of Lamb Points Urged.

Portland, Ore., June 30—(U.P.)—The Portland district of the OPA announced July quotas for class 2 slaughterers today, providing for a 10 per cent increase in the killing of cattle, calves, sheep and lambs. Hog quotas remained unchanged.

Class 2 slaughterers, the non-federally inspected group—will be allowed to kill 85 per cent of their base quota of cattle and calves, compared to 75 per cent in June, and 110 per cent of their base quotas of sheep and lambs, compared to 100 per cent in June. Hog slaughtering allowances were left at 50 per cent of base quota.

John O. Ferris, OPA meat rationing representative, said the rise in slaughtering allowances would mean a substantial increase in amounts of meat available in retail markets throughout the district, which includes all of Oregon and five counties in southwestern Washington.

Removal of points from lamb for at least July and August, and lowering of points on butter, were offered today as solutions for the imminent waste of 50,000 Oregon lambs per month, and a current loss of butter.

Roy A. Ward, manager of the Pacific Wool Growers Cooperative association, told Oregon Senators Guy Cordon and Wayne Morse that the freeing of lamb from points would stop loss of thousands of lambs.

The Portland Oregonian declared in a survey made after buyers' complaints had multiplied, verified assertions that butter was being sold in Portland "rancid and tainted," because its 24-point price slowed down its move into the home, stores and warehouses.

San Francisco, June 30—(U.P.)—Jose P. Laurel, former Japanese puppet president in the Philippines, is now in Tokyo and has conferred with Emperor Hirohito, Tokyo radio disclosed tonight.

Laurel was accompanied by Benigno Aquino, chairman of the Philippines national assembly at present in recess," the Japanese said according to a broadcast recorded by United Press.

It was the first word of Laurel's whereabouts since the American landings in the Philippines. The announcement was an official communique issued by the Japanese Imperial Board of Information.

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The total taxable value of Jackson county for the 1945-1946 tax year, starting July 1, has been fixed at \$28,543,530 by the county assessor's office. This is \$495,860 more than last year when it was \$27,747,670.

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Hogs show a drop both in number and value. Last year hogs totalled 7,277 valued at \$38,020. This year, 2,685 with a value of \$17,020 are listed. The decline is attributed to farmers not raising hogs under the OPA regulations. The hog situation is expected to improve in the fall.

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SENATE ACTS TO APPROVE UNITED NATION CHARTER

President to Present Peace Plan Plea Tomorrow, Without Fanfare.

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—Senate leaders adopted a speed-up schedule today to insure early ratification of the United Nations charter, putting the world on notice that the United States will throw all its weight behind an organization to prevent future war.

President Truman personally, according to Senate Democratic Leader Alben W. Barkley, will submit the charter to the senate Monday with a 600-word plea for quick ratification. All signs indicated that his plea would be heeded by far more than the necessary two-thirds majority.

Senate leaders made preparations today for speedy consideration which they hoped would contrast with the prolonged delay that marked the debates and final rejection of the Versailles treaty and the League of Nations after the last war.

The Foreign Relations committee decided to begin hearings on the charter Monday, July 9, and indicated that the treaty would be sent to the floor of the senate about two weeks later.

Barkley announced there would be no summer recess until the charter had been ratified. Barkley told the senate that Monday's ceremony would carry a serious tone unmarked by fanfare.

"Mr. Truman wants to present the San Francisco charter to his former colleagues in the senate both as president and as a former member of this body," he said. "There will be no fanfare and no particular publicity. This is a very moderate act, it seems to me, a very commendable spirit in which the president wants to hand the charter to the senate of the United States."

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—Under a strict rationing program, New Zealand has supplied 800,000,000 pounds of food under reverse lend-lease to American troops in the Pacific, Lend-lease Administrator Leo T. Crowley reported tonight.

Without this aid, fresh foods for our troops would have had to be held to a bare minimum, Crowley said.

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VINSON OUTLINES FEDERAL POLICY AFTER V-J DAY

Plans Ready For Early Or Late Jap Defeat — Lists Nine Points.

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—War Mobilization Director Fred M. Vinson disclosed tonight that the government is rushing reconversion plans "for an early defeat of Japan, as well as a late one."

He did not predict when the end of the Japanese war would come. But in a quarterly report to President Truman and congress—a report called "The Road to Tokyo and Beyond"—he set the hypothetical limits at "a year from now" or "two or three months from now."

Whenever the Japanese surrender, he said, all war agencies "are getting ready to meet the problems which an early V-J day will bring."

Outlining the government's role, he offered this economic charter on which to build "a steadily rising American living standard":

1. Complete modernization of tax laws, maintaining the income tax on a broad base, to keep production, employment and purchasing power at "stable high levels."

2. A program to foster small business and encourage new business.

3. A vigorous anti-monopoly campaign to preserve the competition which "is a keystone to our free society."

4. The reduction of industrial strife, broadening of minimum wage laws and increasing the minimum wage from 40 to at least 50 cents an hour, and "a high wage policy by business."

5. Elimination of artificial trade barriers—such as repeal of bans on loans to debt-defaulted nations and clearing up of foreign debts "on a realistic basis"—and positive measures, like the trade agreements act and the Bretton Woods agreement, to encourage world trade.

6. Broadening and expansion of the social security program.

7. Measures to assure farmers as high living, health and educational standards as the rest of the population.

8. Long-term public works and federal encouragement of private housing construction. He said we should build 1,250,000 non-farm dwellings a year for 10 years after the war with construction hitting an annual level of at least \$15,000,000,000.

9. A government fiscal policy aimed at keeping the economy at or near full employment, coordinating all programs to guard against deflation and inflation.

Noted Dead San Francisco, June 30—(U.P.)—Dr. Martin I. Green, 46, co-founder and chief of staff of nationally known Green's Eye hospital here, died today. He is survived by his widow, his father and two sisters, all of San Francisco. Funeral services will be held Monday.

BULLETIN Sacramento, Cal., June 30—(U.P.)—Joe Wood, Jr., set the Portland Beavers down with seven scattered hits here tonight as the Sacramento Solons trimmed the league leaders, 5-4.

The loss left the Beavers with a 3-2 lead in the series and a double-header slated tomorrow afternoon. Portland trailed all the way, but staged a big uprising in the ninth, pushing two runs across the plate and filling the bases. But Wood bore down and whiffed Lucchi with the tying and winning runs on third and second.

WAR BULLETINS

Paris, June 30—(U.P.)—Allied supreme headquarters announced tonight that British and American troops will begin moving into Berlin between July 1 and 4, and disclosed officially for the first time that French troops also will enter the Reich capital.

Warsaw, June 30—(U.P.)—A representative of the British embassy at Moscow arrived in Warsaw today to seek accommodation for an embassy here.

Manila, Sunday, July 1—(U.P.)—American forces moving east in a mop-up campaign through the Cagayan valley of northeastern Luzon have driven the Japanese from the town of Baggo, 30 miles south southeast of Aparri, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—The navy today announced the 1525-ton submarine Kete is overdue from patrol and presumed lost.

ORDER PROBE OF HOLLYWOOD PLOT TO RUIN NATION

Un-American Committee Chairman Says Investigators Now Busy.

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—The house un-American activities committee voted today to investigate "subversive activities" in Hollywood and to determine whether film stars and producers were involved in a plot to overthrow the government.

Acting Chairman John E. Rankin, D. Miss., revealed the committee's decision in a statement that said information received by the committee indicated Hollywood was "the greatest hotbed of subversive activities in the United States."

"According to reports, one of the most dangerous plots ever instigated for the overthrow of this government had its headquarters in Hollywood, Calif," Rankin said.

A committee spokesman told reporters that there had been "so many complaints that the committee just had to do something." He said the alleged plot involved "everybody—actors, producers, big stars, other movie people and even airplane factory workers."

The spokesman said investigators would give particular attention to a summer school that taught "communist front propaganda."

Rankin's statement said committee investigators are being sent to Hollywood immediately. He later told reporters that the committee was "on the trail of a tarantula" and that the alleged plot started before the war and had become "intensified" recently.

"It is deep rooted and is designed to lay the groundwork for the overthrow of our form of government and for a change in our way of living," he said.

Rankin said the plot involved the entire Pacific coast, but centered in Hollywood.

STOLEN PLANE CRASHES Mexico City, June 30—(U.P.)—The office of secretary of communications reported today it had recovered a plane stolen in Temple, Tex., by Francisco Rodriguez, Seattle, Wash. Rodriguez made a crash landing at Villa de Nadadores, Coahuila, Mex., when the plane's fuel supply ran out.

TOKYO FORECASTS EARLY INVASION BORNEO OIL PORT

Yankee Fleet Off Amami Group; Japan Jittery—Waits New Attack.

By United Press Japan reported U. S. fleet movements in the Amami group north of Okinawa Saturday and said an invasion of the great East Borneo oil port of Balikpapan was imminent. American warplanes sank or damaged 16 more enemy vessels off the homeland.

Chinese forces invaded French Indo-China and captured a former French military post seven miles inside the border. Other troops wiped out the last resistance in the former American airbase city of Liuchow. Pushing into Indo-China to Chungkingfu, 78 miles south of the allied base at Posen in Kwangsi, the Chinese were astride two invasion routes to the Indo-Chinese capital of Hanoi.

Emergency Moves Japan ordered an emergency increase in munitions production, named a new home commander for the Tohoku district in northern Honshu and considered drastic measures to improve the railway system in preparation for invasion.

Enemy broadcasts said American fleet units had reconnoitered 12-mile long Okinoerabu island in the Amamis as a possible prelude to invasion. The horn-shaped island is 40 miles north of Okinawa and 250 miles southwest of Japan.

Japan reported a powerful invasion fleet massed off Balikpapan. Gen Douglas MacArthur announced the fifth straight day of air attacks on the vital port. Fires and smoke covered the entire area after 230 tons of explosives poured into the east Borneo stronghold.

"Suicide" Bases Hit U. S. army Thunderbolts roared over Kyushu, southernmost of the home islands. They struck Kanoya and Kishira airfields, important Japanese "suicide" plane bases. Along the Kyushu coast they blasted docks, set five luggers and two tugs afire and damaged a steamer off the coast. Navy bombers added eight more ships sunk or damaged off western Kyushu and in the Yellow Sea.

While Japan worried over apparent new American invasion plans in the Ryukus, she also made excuses for the loss of Okinawa, asserting the Japanese had been under "serious handicaps" that would not exist in the battle for the home islands.

The enemy's big Nippon oil refinery at Kadamatsu, near Tokuyama, on Honshu island was largely in ruins after a 50-plane B-29 assault which obtained "excellent results" in Friday's raid. Japan's preparations for invasion continued to prove ineffective against the raiding B-29's. No enemy planes met the Superforts and anti-aircraft fire was meager and inaccurate.

American aircraft patrolled China supply routes and hit military targets in Shanghai and Canton.

Tokyo Viewpoint San Francisco, June 30—(U.P.) Tokyo radio's contribution to war whimsy tonight: "The war situation in the Pacific during the past week saw no major developments except the virtual close of the ground battle on Okinawa."

The broadcast was recorded by United Press.

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