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MUDDY FIELD MAY SLOW MACMEN

TYPHOON DELAYS JAP PREPARATION FOR AIR TROOPS

Initial Landings Set For Tuesday—Advance Party Due Sunday.

Manila, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—A typhoon which delayed Japanese arrangements for the arrival of U. S. occupation troops today raised a possibility there might be a slight hitch in carrying out Gen. Douglas MacArthur's surrender program.

It was noted here that MacArthur had specified that the initial landings Tuesday were dependent upon weather conditions. The Japanese advised the allied supreme commander today that the Atsugi airfields where MacArthur and U. S. airborne forces will land have been left in very muddy condition due to rainfall accompanying the typhoon.

Whether the fields will dry out in time to allow the landings to proceed as planned was not yet known.

San Francisco, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—The Nippon Chugua Sango, influential Japanese financial newspaper, called upon the Japanese people to change their attitude in regard to reckless disregard of life.

"We must forge a new destiny for our country by concentrating all our efforts at home instead of abroad. . . in transforming our warlike spirit into a tranquil peaceful one," said the paper in its article broadcast by Tokyo radio and heard by United Press.

"There are many points in which we must change our attitude, the major one of them is the lack of love for our lives," the article continued.

"The Japanese people, too, love their lives but their love of life was not what it ought to be.

The Japanese reported that the allies would follow up their occupation of the Tokyo area with new air and sea landings on southern Kyushu beginning Sept. 1, the day after the scheduled signing of the Japanese surrender.

MacArthur advised the Japanese today in an official communication that he desired Japanese communications officials to meet his advance party Aug. 26, prepared to set up telegraph and radio communications.

He said he wished direct wire facilities between the supreme commander's headquarters and the Japanese government and Imperial headquarters and also direct channels to the Japanese broadcasting facilities.

Awaits Wainwright's Liberation



Mrs. Jonathan Wainwright (left), wife of Lt. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright, Brig. Gen. Greely, noted Army linguist, stand before portrait of Gen. Wainwright.

GEN. WAINWRIGHT RETURN DELAYED, CHUNGKING SAYS

Chungking, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Lt. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright's evacuation from Manchuria has been postponed for another three or four days pending the restoration of railway service under Russian military guard, it was announced today.

U. S. army headquarters in Chungking announced the new delay in Wainwright's final release.

An American officer who visited Sian, where Wainwright had been imprisoned by the Japanese, returned to Chungking with word that a Russian army guard must accompany the rescue train that will be sent to bring Wainwright to Mukden.

There was no immediate explanation as to whether the Russians or Americans had insisted on the armed guard provision.

The officer reported that train service between Mukden and Sian was not expected to resume for three or four days.

He said an army liberator bomber had been standing by in Mukden since last Monday to fly Wainwright back to Chungking.

Meanwhile it also was disclosed officially that an American rescue team had landed at Hanoi, French Indo-China, and at Shanghai to contact allied prisoners of war and civilian internees held by the Japanese there.

London, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—The Soviet war communique tonight reported that 1,700 allied prisoners of war including 28 generals have been liberated from Japanese prison camps in the Mukden area.

BRIDGES DENIES DANCER ROMANCE

San Francisco, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Attorneys for Mrs. Harry Bridges sought unsuccessfully today to bring from the CIO west coast labor leader an admission that he was involved in a love affair with a New York dancer and fathered her two-year-old child.

FREE ENTERPRISE HELD MAIN BASE FULL WORK BILL

Washington, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Beardsley Ruml told the Senate Banking committee today that additional "basic legislation" would be necessary to make the full employment bill work.

At the same time, he questioned the advisability of enacting a declaration of federal policy that citizens have the "right" to work. He said he objected to the phrase because it "weakens the dignity" of fundamental human rights.

Instead, he said, congress might better declare that "involuntary unemployment on the part of any citizen is a matter of national concern. . . (which) menaces the institutions and foundations of a free democratic state."

Earlier, Attorney General Tom C. Clark endorsed the bill's objectives but asserted that "the real bulwark of our society is, and must continue to be, a free and vital competitive economy."

Ruml, the New York businessman who helped to make "pay-as-you-go" part of the nation's income tax system, said "jobs-for-all" legislation would have to be implemented by:

- 1. A reform of social security financing to "take the deflation out of social security."
2. A federal policy in public works and conservation programs aimed at stabilization of the construction industry.
3. A taxation program stimulating full employment.
4. Federal lending activities at home and abroad "associated harmoniously" with federal fiscal policy.
5. A program to maintain a "prosperous" agriculture.

County Jail Escapee Arrested in South

Robert Ben Merrill, who escaped from the Jackson county jail by sawing his way through bars of his cell and lowering himself to the ground by means of a rope, has been captured in Los Angeles, according to word received by the sheriff's office.

FULL FACTS TOLD SOON OF TRAGEDY AT PEARL HARBOR

Army - Navy Recommendations Before Truman, Who Promises Publicity.

Washington, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—The nation may learn soon the inside story of the disaster at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

Army and navy recommendations for the next step in the long-secret investigation are expected to be on President Truman's desk in a short time.

When they come, Mr. Truman promised yesterday, they will be made public.

The president gave no information of what would be in the recommendations to be made to him by Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson and Secretary of Navy James Forrestal. But the fact that they will be made public indicates that the entire story of Pearl Harbor soon will be an open book.

What really caused Pearl Harbor to be wide open to Japan's sneak attack has been bottled up tightly on grounds of military security. There have been three reports on inquiries but they have been sparse and far from revealing.

However, since the Japanese surrender congressional leaders have demanded that the full story now be told. And many observers felt that Mr. Truman senses the political inadvisability of withholding the facts for long.

The first hint that the Dec. 7 mystery might soon be unfolded came Monday when former Supreme Court Justice Owen J. Roberts and Secretary of State James F. Byrnes conferred with the President at the White House. Roberts headed a special presidential board of inquiry which first investigated the Pearl Harbor attack and reported to late President Roosevelt early in 1942.

Mr. Truman disclosed yesterday that he and Byrnes were attempting to get Roberts' consent to take a new "international assignment." He gave no hint of the nature of the post, but it possibly concerns prosecution of Pacific war criminals. Mr. Truman said Roberts had tentatively refused the assignment, but that he and Byrnes hoped to make him change his mind.

The Roberts Pearl Harbor board found that there had been dereliction of duty on the part of Admiral Husband E. Kimmel and Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short, army and navy commanders at the Pacific base when the attack came.

CIVILIANS WILL GET BIGGER CUT OF CANNED GOODS

Washington, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson said today that as a result of military food cutbacks civilians will get nearly 40,000,000 more cases of canned vegetables and nearly 14,000,000 more cases of canned fruits and juices from the 1945 pack than they had coming to them before Japan surrendered.

The civilian share of the 1945 fruit packs will now be about 42,400,000 cases, it was said. Last year civilians got 34,000,000. Their share of the 1945 vegetable pack will be about 158,000,000 cases as compared with 128,300,000 in 1944.

It was in anticipation of the military cutbacks that canned fruits and vegetables were removed from rationing last week.

The War department said the military cutback in canned vegetables would be 44 per cent. In canned fruits it will be 46 per cent.

TREATY SIGNED

BRITISH BEWAIL LEND LEASE END; CRITICISM SHARP

Churchill and Premier Attlee Say Action Hampers the Empire.

Washington, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Lend-lease Administrator Leo T. Crowley today made public a six-point transitional economic aid program offered to allied countries in place of lend-lease. He also made it plain that there will be no change in President Truman's decision to end lend-lease.

Crowley called a special press conference after British officials revealed they were shocked at the abruptness of Mr. Truman's decision to shut off lend-lease assistance without prior consultation.

London, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Winston Churchill joined Prime Minister Clement Attlee in comments today in sharply criticizing the United States for its abrupt termination of the lend-lease program.

Churchill, former prime minister and now opposition leader, said he could not believe "this is the last word of the United States."

"I cannot believe," Churchill said, "that so great a nation whose lend lease policy was characterized by me as the most unselfish act in the history of the world would proceed in such a rough and harsh manner as to hamper a faithful ally who held the fort while their own American armaments were prepared."

Churchill urged common members to exercise the utmost restraint in commenting on the situation lest they hamper the efforts of British negotiators.

Attlee in announcing to the house the end of the lend lease program, said the sudden termination has put Great Britain in a "very serious financial position."

"We had not anticipated that operations under the lend lease act would continue for any length of time after the defeat of Japan," Attlee said, "but we had hoped that the sudden cessation of this great mutual effort would not have been effected without consultation and prior discussions."

DE GAULLE URGES FRENCH CONTROL WEST RHINE BANK

Washington, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Gen. Charles DeGaulle today renounced any desire for annexation of German territory, but he called for international control of the Ruhr valley and French control of the western bank of the Rhine.

At a press conference at the French embassy, DeGaulle also praised the economic assistance which the United States already is giving France. He added that it would be necessary to draw up a long-range program for reconstruction of his country.

The French chief of state remarked in a jovial manner that the United States press had not been too kind in the past in their articles about French policy. This was a rejoinder to President Truman's charge to a group of French journalists yesterday that the United States was not getting a square deal in the French press.

DeGaulle, who has been conferring here with Mr. Truman and Secretary of State James F. Byrnes, said his mission was to discuss with American officials "the immense problems that lie ahead now that we are at peace."

WAR BOARD ENDS PRODUCTION BAN FOR NEW AUTOS

Civilian Cars Limited Only By Plant Capacity, Under New Order.

Washington, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—The War Production Board today removed all quotas on new automobile production, but ruled that new cars cannot be equipped with spare tires.

"In other words, producers can now proceed to make as many cars as their capacity permits," WPB said.

Until today the agency had ruled that the automobile industry could make only 250,000 new cars in the rest of this year. Now the industry's ability is the only limit.

The OPA will announce ceiling prices for the new cars next week. They will be somewhat higher than the 1941 prices.

WPB said that further consideration of the spare tire question would be given by the OPA.

This apparently indicated that the spare tires might be permitted by the time the new cars reach the public in any volume. In the meantime, however, no spare tires can be put on the new cars by producers.

Availability of new automobiles for civilian use, WPB explained, now will depend solely upon the "capacity of the industry." Certain materials, such as tin, will continue to be scarce, but the industry has indicated a willingness to use substitutes, it said.

The lifting of the quota limits applies to taxicabs, ambulances and hearses as well as to the ordinary passenger car.

COMMUNIST FORCE SEIZE NAVY BASE, RICE PORT TOWN

Chungking, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—The Chinese communist war communique today reported that communist forces have seized the Weihaiwei naval base on Shanghai peninsula, the Tientsin railroad station and the big rice port town of Wuhu above Nanking.

The communique said that communist forces operating southeast of Peiping have cut the Tientsin-Peiping railroad.

Other communist forces were credited with capturing Luho opposite Nanking and to have entered Hweilui in Suiyuan province which the communique of the Chungking government claimed had been captured by its forces.

The communist exploits were reported as the communist regime accepted Gen. Chiang Kai-Shek's bid for a conference at Chungking. The communist leader, Mao Tse-Tung, advised Chiang he was sending a representative to Chungking in response to Chiang's invitation.

WAR BULLETINS

Berlin, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Leo Borhard, conductor of the Berlin philharmonic orchestra, was shot to death by American sentries. It was announced today, when the automobile in which he was riding failed to halt at an outpost. The accident occurred yesterday.

Chungking, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek signed the United Nations' charter today and stamped the document with the Chinese national seal. The ceremony was witnessed by foreign and Chinese news correspondents.

Chungking, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Chinese Communist Leader Mao Tse-Tung telegraphed Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek today that he was sending a representative to Chungking in response to Chiang's urgent request for a conference.

CONG. ELLSWORTH HITS FEAR MANY WILL BE JOBLESS

Scare Propaganda Blamed For Panic Talk—100 Attend C. of C. Talk.

America is being propagandized with threats of immediate unemployment where there is absolutely no proof that we are going to be faced with large numbers of idle returning servicemen, according to Representative Harris Ellsworth who addressed 100 persons at a Jackson county chamber of commerce forum, luncheon meeting Friday noon at the Hotel Holland.

The congressman, who stopped here en route from his home in Roseburg to Washington, D. C., where the congress will reconvene Sept. 5, said that he sees no justification for fear of immediate unemployment problems, though increased unemployment may develop when immediate needs are filled, in three to seven years. Many jobs await returning labor, he added, and industry is accomplishing reconversion from war production to peacetime manufacturing with amazing rapidity, a big source of big workers.

In describing some of the legislative and development work carried on by the nation's congress, Ellsworth, who has represented the seven southwest counties of Oregon for nearly three years cited the work of a committee of California Oregon and Washington congressmen who work together in west coast promotion.

The proposal of building a series of dams on Rogue river to increase production and area of irrigated acreage in this territory has been surveyed by army engineers and reclamation men, Ellsworth said, and a recommendation will be made to the congress soon. Some interests in the valley feel the dams would threaten to destroy the river as a migratory fishing stream, specifically steelhead salmon, and the speaker added that before appropriations are made or any action taken, everyone concerned will be heard.

NEW RED STAMPS VALID ON SEPT. 1

Washington, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Five new red ration stamps—L1, M1, N1, P1 and Q1—become valid on Sept. 1 for purchase of meats and fats, the OPA announced today. The stamps are worth 10 points each.

Housewives will find that their red points will go much further beginning with the September ration period since lower ration values for most meats go into effect Sept. 2.

The five new stamps will be good through Dec. 31. The following red stamps, validated previously, will also be good during September: V2, W2, X2, Y2, Z, A1, B1, C1, D1, E1, F1, G1, H1, J1 and K1. Not valid after Sept. 1 are Q2, R2, S2, T2 and U2.

REDS RACE DOWN KOREA PENINSULA, FREE MANCHURIA

Regain Port Arthur—Tokyo Says Russia Prepares To Land On Hokkaido.

London, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Soviet flying columns raced down the Korean peninsula opposite the main Japanese home island of Honshu today after completing the liberation of Manchuria.

Radio Khabarovsk, voice of the Soviet far eastern command, said Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's trans-Baikal army was rolling toward the port of Fusan at the southern tip of Korea, 110 miles across the Tsushima straits from Honshu.

The liberation of Manchuria, including Russia's long lost ports of Port Arthur and Dairen, was proclaimed officially by Generalissimo Stalin last night in his first order of the day of the two-week eastern war.

The triumphant order also announced the liberation of the Japanese-held half of Sakhalin island and Soviet occupation of the Japanese air and naval bases of Paramushiro and Shumushu in the Kurile Islands, 700 miles west of American-owned Attu in the Aleutians.

Manila, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Tokyo charged today that a submarine—"presumably" Russian—sank three and possibly four ships off northern Japan Wednesday and urgently appealed to Gen. Douglas MacArthur to halt such attacks.

A formal message from Japanese general headquarters said one of the four ships, the 4,467-ton Taito Maru, went down off the coast of northwest Hokkaido with 553 casualties.

San Francisco, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—The Japanese Imperial headquarters said today Moscow radio reported that Soviet airborne troops are preparing to occupy Hokkaido, northernmost of the Japanese home islands.

A message to Gen. Douglas MacArthur, recorded by United Press in San Francisco, said that if the report were true, "it would be greatly regretted by the Japanese government who is doing its best in order to fulfill all your requirements by placing the army and navy forces and civilians under strict control."

(The report of Soviet preparations for a landing on Hokkaido was not confirmed or heard elsewhere. It was possible the report was a strategy devised by Tokyo to divide the allies. Recent Tokyo broadcasts have devoted much time to reports of "looting" and "violence" by Soviet troops.)

STILWELL FIRED TO SOOTHE CHIANG COMMITTEE TOLD

Los Angeles, Aug. 24—(U.P.)—Gen. Joseph Stilwell blamed his removal from his Chinese command because he complained to Chiang Kai-Shek that American guns were used to kill Chinese instead of Japs, Rep. Ellis Patterson, D., Cal., revealed.

Patterson, member of a congressional committee which visited the Far East, told the Democratic Luncheon club yesterday that Stilwell made the statement about the arms to a group of which Patterson was a member.

"He told us that Chiang complained to Mr. Roosevelt and the late president did not want any trouble with Chiang and so Stilwell was transferred," Patterson said. He added that what Stilwell said about Chiang "wouldn't go in the newspapers."

BASEBALL

Table with baseball scores: National, St. Louis, Chicago, Brechen and Odea, Borowy and Livingston.