

Control Over Religious Organizations Abolished By Japs

CABINET ACTION COMPLIES WITH MAC'S DIRECTIVE

American Search Party Unearths Million Dollar Silver Cache Under Navy Shop.

Tokyo, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur tonight ordered the Japanese government to keep hands off the film industry and "permit it to reflect the democratic aspirations of the Japanese people."

MacArthur's directive was the latest in a series of steps freeing the Japanese people from totalitarian "thought control."

Tokyo, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—The Japanese cabinet today abolished the religious organization control law in compliance with Gen. Douglas MacArthur's demand for religious freedom in Japan.

(The cable did not say whether the cabinet's action would have any effect on state Shintoism, by which the Japanese people are compelled to recognize Emperor Hirohito as a god—the son of heaven.)

Silver Cache Found
While the cabinet was hewing to MacArthur's line, an American search party unearthed a cache of silver bars worth \$1,100,000 presumably hidden away by Japanese militarists for future use. It was found beneath an abandoned navy machine shop on the shores of Tokyo Bay.

Combat veterans of the American division's 132nd infantry regiment, a former Chicago national guard outfit, made the discovery during a routine search of old, rusting machinery in a shop at Haratsuka naval ordnance depot.

As they were about to leave, one soldier noticed weeds growing in an irregular pattern in a corner. Investigation disclosed they camouflaged a trap door covering a timber-lined pit 16 feet deep.

From Imperial Mint
At the bottom of the pit, the astonished Americans found 110 bars of silver valued at \$10,000 apiece and each stamped with a serial number from the Osaka Imperial mint.

Army authorities said the silver bars would be added to a growing pile of Japanese precious metal and other treasures uncovered throughout the enemy homeland.

Emperor Hirohito, meantime, declared a general amnesty affecting 1,000,000 persons on the occasions of today's harvest festival.

It includes a reduction in prison terms for 37,000 persons, restoration of civil rights to 600,000 and a special amnesty for 320,000 not covered by the provisions of the general amnesty.

CAMP COLLISION IS DEATH CAUSE
George A. Lawson, about 61, of Anderson, Calif., passed away in a local hospital about 6:30 p. m., yesterday from injuries received in an auto-truck accident at Camp White last Friday.

The accident occurred when a sedan, operated by George Lawson, collided with a truck driven by James J. McRae, route 1, Central Point, at the intersection of highway 82 and Avenue G, Camp White.

The body is at the Peri Funeral Home awaiting completion of arrangements.

GREEKS SWORN IN
Athens, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—A new Greek government was sworn today under the premiership of Regent Archbishop Damaskinos. All ministers of the former government retained their posts except former premier Admiral Petros Voulgaris and his under-secretary, George Lambrinopoulos.

SIDE GLANCES
By TRIBUNE REPORTERS
Ed Kubil admitting that he shot three bears but refusing to have the fact chronicled in the press.

Mary Moffat maintaining that her beautiful dahlias "just grew."

Lillian McMillin paying heed to her allergies and prudently providing her own food at a church luncheon.

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New Jap Premier



Baron Kijuro Shidehara, 73, Liberal, named new premier of Japan by Emperor Hirohito, promises all-out co-operation with Allied occupation forces, will choose a new Cabinet within two or three days.

PERON FOLLOWERS TIE UP TRAVEL, STAGE RIOT SCENE

Buenos Aires, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—Striking labor followers of Col. Juan D. Peron shut down virtually all transportation and business in the suburbs of Buenos Aires today in a riotous demonstration for release of the deposed Argentine strong man.

Buenos Aires itself was quiet this morning, but all reports indicated that police outside the capital were giving the Peron followers a free hand.

The rioters burned street cars and buses, closed down the main suburban meat packing plants and effectively sabotaged the Southern Railway Suburban System by cutting the signal and telegraph lines.

Release Is Aim
Peron himself was being held in "protective custody," and the suburban demonstrations apparently were the first moves in a carefully-laid plan to force his release under threat of a general strike throughout the country.

Reports from the affected areas said the police, most of them Peron appointees, were making no effort to stop the disorders but merely were cautioning the rioters to "take it easy."

Unconfirmed reports said the police in some districts were joining the demonstrations.

Meanwhile, the political situation was confused further by a report that another army man would succeed Peron as vice-president.

REDS REITERATE JAP SUGGESTION
Washington, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—Secretary of State James F. Byrnes revealed today that Soviet Russia had reiterated its suggestion that four-power control machinery for Japan be set up before the formation of a far eastern advisory commission.

The United States opposes the formation of any four-power control body for Japan, where allied control now is exercised by Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

AVA AND ARTIE WAIT CHANCE FOR MARRIAGE
Hollywood, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—Actress Ava Gardner and Band Leader Artie Shaw will marry in "the near future," as soon as they can take time off from production schedules, her studio said today.

A report that Miss Gardner, former wife of Mickey Rooney, would marry Shaw today was denied by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer where the actress is under contract. Shaw was formerly married to screen star Lana Turner.

COAL STRIKE OFF

WOULD CONTINUE PRICE CONTROLS ON SOME ITEMS

Bowles Believes Choice Beef Cuts, Sugar and Canned Fruits Will Remain Scarce

Washington, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—Price Administrator Chester Bowles believes that price controls must be retained on choice cuts of beef, sugar, canned fruits and fats and oils through next spring it was disclosed today.

His forecast on when OPA controls could be relaxed was contained in a letter dated Oct. 1, to the house appropriations committee.

"Although control of good and choice cuts of beef must be continued through spring of 1946," Bowles wrote, "there is reasonable possibility of suspension of controls of low-quality, utility, stew and processed meats during the grass-fed cattle run."

Sugar Lacked Scarce
"Sugar, canned fruits and fats and oils will probably be controlled through June, 1946," Bowles said that with few exceptions—such as eggs, potatoes and some vegetables—most food controls must be maintained through next winter.

About April 1, he said, controls probably can be dropped on such foods as milk and certain other dairy products, fish and many canned vegetables.

For other classes of price controls, Bowles forecast: Consumer goods—consideration can be given to removing controls over clothing and textiles by April 1; the supply and demand of most durable consumer goods will not be in balance so controls can be removed before next June.

Rent Control Needed
Rents—controls will be dropped by next June 30 in about 150 areas, most of them relatively small, where ceilings were imposed because of the development of military establishments.

Pressure against rent ceilings, particularly in large cities, "will unquestionably continue for some time." Congress must determine how long controls will be retained since OPA authority expires next June 30 under existing law.

Services and transportation—Beginning Jan. 1, and probably effective by April 1, controls may be removed from important services such as laundries, dry cleaning, etc. Continuation of restaurant control will be geared with food price control and probably will be continued through early spring, 1946.

MEDAL FOR U. P. MAN
London, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—The war office awarded the British Empire medal today to McQuinn Wright, United Press staff correspondent in India and Burma.

Manufacturers Say Tax Cut Is Too Little and Too Late
Washington, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—The National Association of Manufacturers denounced the pending \$5,350,000,000 tax reduction bill today as "too little and too late" and urged cuts closer to \$8,000,000,000.

H. E. Humphreys, chairman of the NAM tax committee, told the senate finance committee that maximum tax relief now "will do more to speed reconversion, stimulate investment into new business and increase production than will any manner of spending the government might undertake."

"Only the defeatist can fail to see that such tax reductions will increase the total tax take over the long haul—next year and the years to come," Humphreys said. "Tax encouragement should be made where it counts—in the family pocket-book, and in wages and dividends that keep it supplied."

His proposals included outright repeal of the corporate excess profits tax at the end of the year and a flat 20 per cent reduction in individual income taxes.

The house bill cuts the excess profits tax from 95 to 60 per cent in 1946 and would delay repeal until 1947. On individual taxes, the house measure would remove some 12,000,000 persons from the federal tax rolls with reductions ranging upward from 10 per cent.

PRESIDENT ASKS \$221,842,000 FOR WORKS PROGRAM

Most of Money For Flood Control, Navigation, Reclamation Projects, Word.

Washington, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—President Truman today asked congress to provide \$221,842,000 to assure federal public works programs which were halted by the war.

He requested \$128,475,000 for the army engineers and \$93,367,000 for the Bureau of Reclamation.

The money would be spent largely for flood control, navigation and reclamation projects.

Reconversion Program
"The projects proposed by the President to be undertaken at this time are a part of the government's program of reconversion from war to peace, and all have high priority for developing our resources and for the promotion of the general warfare," said a White House announcement.

Funds also were requested for the Bureau of Reclamation to resume work in the Central Valley in California on the Delta Mendota and Delta Cross channel canals, as well as for final work on Shasta, Friant and Keswick dams.

In the Pacific northwest the army engineers would start work on flood control dams in the Willamette valley and the Bureau of Reclamation would construct irrigation works in the Columbia River valley.

NAVY DISCHARGE POINTS REDUCED

Washington, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—Thousands of additional men and women in naval uniform looked forward today to discharges by Jan. 1 as result of newly-announced reductions in navy discharge point scores.

The navy estimated that the cuts would bring total discharges to 1,000,000 men and 100,000 officers by January 1—about a third of the war-end strength. Discharges from V-J days through Oct. 14 numbered 283,000.

Effective Nov. 1, the point score for all personnel will be reduced by three points. That will lower the discharge score for enlisted men to 41, for male officers to 46 for enlisted Waves to 26 and for Wave officers to 32.

On Dec. 1, the point score will be lowered another two points the navy said, and a further reduction of one point will take effect on Jan. 1.

The method of computing scores remain the same.

Found in Coma



WAVE Lt. (Sp) Pauline Elizabeth Rupp, 34, San Francisco, who was found unconscious in a New York City hotel room in which body of Navy Lt. John Gerald Mooney, 37, Washington, D. C., was found dead, cause not yet determined. Lt. Rupp was receiving treatment for "temporary psychosis."

PEACE PARLEY IN LUMBER STRIKE STILL FAR AWAY

Portland, Ore., Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—Reported wholesale peace negotiations between AFL union leaders and northwest lumber operators in the five-state AFL "tomb" tie-up affecting some 300 mills and 61,000 men, were still "far from reality" today, said strike chairman John Christenson.

The AFL labor leader spiked earlier rumors that the lumber dispute was near the conciliation stage by declaring "any prediction that the strike is nearing an end is premature."

Referring to negotiations between operators and union chiefs Christenson said they were still in the "feeling out" stage and no formal negotiations had yet been scheduled. The union he said was still receiving offers from various operators, the majority of them owners of small mills.

So far 17 operations have reopened after giving in to AFL lumber and sawmill workers' union demands for a \$1.10 per hour minimum wage.

STUDIO SQUATTERS DRAGGED AWAY BY SHERIFF OFFICERS

Hollywood, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—Still squatting sit-down strikers were removed bodily from in front of Warner Bros. studios today, but only a trickle of workers went through the gap they blocked.

Sheriff's deputies and police working in pairs and avoiding violence, picked up the squatters and deposited them to one side of the nickel line.

The quiet tone of today's mass picketing was in distinct contrast to yesterday's melees.

Production was not expected to be resumed at the studio today, a spokesman yesterday indicating that further mass picketing would keep the studio closed.

RETURN TO PITS SET FOR MONDAY BY JOHN L. LEWIS

Negotiations Off for Present. U. M. W. President Tells Members of Local Unions.

By United Press
United Mine Workers President John L. Lewis today called off the soft coal strike which had cut fuel supplies to the nation's steel mills.

Lewis said the miners would return to work Monday.

The coal strike, with 208,000 miners out and at least 30,000 steel workers laid off had accounted for more than half the nation's 365,000 strike-idle workers.

Negotiations Off
Lewis wrote officers and members of local unions that "all negotiations . . . have been discontinued" and "future efforts to abate this controversy will be resumed at a later and more appropriate date."

The coal strike began when miners refused to cross picket lines set up by foremen seeking recognition of their supervisors' union, a UMW affiliate.

A new threat to industry was posed, however, when the CIO utility workers council ordered a strike against the consumers power company, serving 2,200 Michigan communities with gas and electricity.

Steel Loss Heavy
Even with the resumption of coal production on Monday, newly reconverted industries may lose as much as 225,000 tons of finished steel this week, according to the magazine Iron Age. The ingot steel loss will be even higher—about 300,000 tons the magazine said.

Meanwhile about 8,000 longshoremen reported for work as limited operations were resumed along the New York waterfront.

Full service was resumed along the 900-mile length of the eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Co. lines today as striking transit workers returned to work for the state, which seized control of the system over the weekend.

More than 400 AFL truck drivers called off a short-lived strike in four midwestern cities, but a milk strike still threatened New York.

In congress, Rep. Ed Gossett, D. Tex., circled a growing sentiment to "impose on organized labor greater responsibility for its acts." The current rash of strikes was not helping labor, he said, adding that "unless the public interest is given more consideration . . . the whole cause of organized labor is going to suffer."

FRANK PERL NEW KIWANIS LEADER

Frank Perl, 136 North Oakdale avenue, was elected president of the Medford Kiwanis club at a luncheon-meeting in the blue room of Holland Hotel today. Ed Miles was named vice president.

Directors elected were Gene Ferrell, Tony Maano, Don Newbery, Paul Selby, Jimmie Bolton, Don Faber and Bill Peck.

"Bull" Comes Home



Adm. William F. "Bull" Halsey stands aboard the USS South Dakota, flagship of his victorious 3rd fleet as the vessel nears the Golden Gate bridge for a triumphant entrance into San Francisco bay, spearheading the entrance of other fleet units which "came home" to be greeted by thousands who thronged both shores of the bay. A navy blimp, part of the welcoming pageant, can be seen circling the Dakota.

Halsey Opposes Reduction In Navy And Relief Shipments To Japanese

Los Angeles, Oct. 17.—(U.P.)—Admiral William F. "Bull" Halsey, fighting boss of the Third fleet, today opposed any peace time reduction in the navy.

"Every ship we've got that can be kept afloat and all the men we need to maintain them," was his prescription for a postwar navy, he told reporters as he stepped from a navy transport plane from San Francisco into a tumultuous welcome after circling the fog-bound municipal airport for 51 minutes.

He was against relief shipments to Japan, he said.

"There are more poor in this country who need food and clothing than there are in Japan. The Japs can either change their emperor worship to democracy or go out of existence, it's up to them."

Halsey tossed his comments over his shoulder as he strode to a waiting motor caravan to begin a triumphal parade into Los Angeles.

Flanked by a 21-man marine honor guard, Halsey was greeted by Mayor Fletcher Bowron on behalf of the city.

AUTO RUNS WILD AFTER COLLISION; HITS GAS OFFICE

Two large plate glass windows of the California-Pacific Utilities Co., 229 West Main street, were shattered yesterday afternoon and two women were slightly injured in a freak accident at the corner of Main and Holly streets, city police reported today.

Miss Mollie Britt, passenger in a car operated by her brother, Emil Britt, of Jacksonville, received a slight bump on the head, and Mrs. G. B. Aykroyd, wife of a naval lieutenant stationed at Camp White, was slightly injured when knocked down in the accident, according to police.

Mr. Britt was reported to have apparently lost control of his auto after collision with a car operated by Marion H. Johnston, route 4, while traveling south on Holly street. The Britt car struck a street sign, throwing it through a plate glass window in the gas office. Britt's car, after knocking out a second glass, came to a stop against a concrete post of the building, officers said.

Cars operated by Bill Coleman, Central Point, and C. S. Elder, Central Point, collided yesterday at the intersection of Main and Second street, slightly injuring Mrs. A. F. Bissell, Healdsburg, Calif., passenger in the car operated by Elder, according to an accident report filed with city police. Elder's auto was damaged considerably. Slight damage was caused the second car.

Also reported to police Monday was a mishap at Grape and Main streets where a car operated by James B. McGrath, route 1, was damaged considerably in collision with a truck which Earl W. Rawlings, 808 West Jackson street, was driving.

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Weather
 FORECAST: Partly cloudy to cloudy with scattered showers mostly in mountains tonight and Thursday. Foggy Thursday morning. Slightly cooler tonight.
 Highest Yesterday 59
 Lowest this Morning 51