

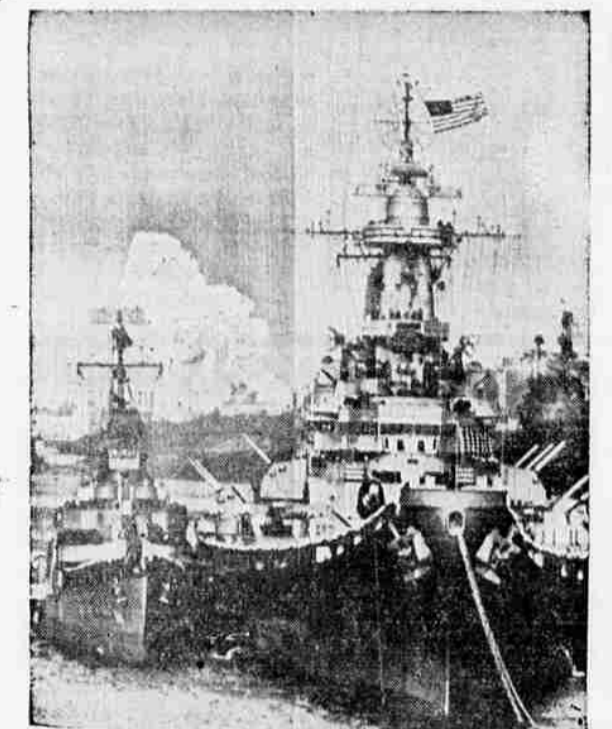
CIO ASKS STEEL STRIKE VOTE

Weather
 FORECAST: Cloudy to partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday. Cooler tonight and Tuesday.
 Highest Yesterday Temp. 52
 Lowest this Morning 47

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Salute to President



Smoke from saluting guns drifts in sky as the Honshaw ties up beside the huge USS Missouri in Hudson river for President Truman's visit during Navy day celebration at New York City, where the nation's chief reviewed armada of 47 fighting ships anchored in seven-mile line.

VICTORY QUEEN RACE TO SPUR BOND DRIVE

Opening of the gigantic Victory Loan drive today found Jackson county workers ready to go into high gear as once preliminary plans having been formulated in recent weeks. The drive will be handled by the Medford and Ashland Elks' lodges, with Geo. T. Frey of the Medford lodge as general chairman and Herb Huston of the Ashland lodge as assistant chairman.

One of the features of the campaign in all parts of the state will be election of Victory Loan queens, it is announced, with each town and county naming a queen whose name will be entered in the state-wide contest. This contest will be handled through the cooperation of the motion picture theaters and the newspapers of Oregon.

Campaign workers from Ashland, Medford and Grants Pass met in Medford Saturday with Kenneth G. Martin, Portland, executive manager of the Oregon War Finance committee. Martin spoke at a luncheon meeting at the Holland Hotel Saturday noon.

"Oregon has led all states of the union in the per capita purchase of 'E' bonds," Martin stated, and urged the committee workers to do everything possible to see that the state maintained this lead for the present drive. In spite of this record, Martin declared that "the surface has hardly been scratched," and backed this up by pointing out that savings accounts have had a phenomenal growth during the war.

Present for the meeting were Frey and Huston, the chairmen, M. R. Plaskett, exalted ruler of the Medford Elks' lodge, W. A. Gates, A. S. Rosenbaum, Victor Milnes, William Meyst, Walter Leverett, Lee B. Ryan, Henry Zacharisen, county war bond

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Ralph Woodford going into an acrobatic routine to prove that his vitamin diet keeps him young and sprightly.

Pfc. Bob Kyle listing his various medals and badges for a news release and humorously adding "two Hershey bars."

"Exhausted Rooster" Cary Thomson receiving a handsome gift from his fellow JCs.

Bill Meyst and his JC dance decorating committee retiring at 4 a. m. exhausted from their labors which consisted mostly of looking for the lost decorating material.

Bloody Fighting Flares In Java; China In Grip Of Civil Conflict

INTERNAL STRIFE HITS NEW HIGH IN KEY PROVINCES

Chiang Has Hurdled 800,000 Troops Against Chinese Communists, Is Charge

Chungking, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Undeclared civil war gripped China today with more than 1,000,000 central government and Chinese communist troops fighting it out for control of 11 key provinces in north, east, south and central China.

Both government and communist sources acknowledged that internal strife had reached a new high pitch while so-called unity talks dragged on in Chungking with no definite solution yet in sight.

800,000 Forces Hurdled

The communists charged through their new China daily that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek has hurled 800,000 central government troops against the famed communist eighth route army in north China and the new fourth army in east China.

Fighting is raging in Shansi, Suiyuan, Shensi, Hopeh, Shantung, Honan, Anhwei, Kiangsu, Hupeh, Chekiang and Kwangtung provinces, the new China daily said.

Central government spokesmen countered with charges that the communists have launched at least three general offensives and already have seized four important cities and 13 districts in Shansi and Suiyuan provinces.

Each group accused the other of being the aggressor.

Spread Feared

There appeared some danger that the civil war would spread to newly-liberated Manchuria. A United Press dispatch from Huludao said withdrawing soviet forces were turning over Manchurian territory to Chinese communist troops.

Marshal Yen Hsi-Shan, central government governor of Shansi province in north-central China, said as many as 50 engagements have been fought every day since Japan's surrender in his province.

TRUMAN CANCELS SCHEDULED TRIPS

Washington, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—President Truman today cancelled all of his scheduled trips.

The cancelled trips included that to the south this week and others that had been planned for later November and December.

The reason given by assistant press secretary Eben Ayers was "the pressure of official business, the labor situation, the labor management conference and a number of other things."

Eureka Hero Given Posthumous Honor

Washington, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Second Lt. Robert M. Vaile, infantry officer from Eureka, Cal., who deliberately sacrificed his life to protect his men and a group of civilians in Manila last Feb. 5, today was awarded the medal of honor posthumously.

The war department reported that Vaile, unable to throw away a live grenade without endangering the lives of his soldiers and some civilians nearby, covered it with his body.

Australian Horse May Be Sent Here

Melbourne, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—St. Fairy, winner of the Caulfield cup, may be sent to America to run in the \$100,000 Santa Anita handicap, Alfred R. Porter, the gelding's owner, said today.

If St. Fairy wins the Melbourne cup on Nov. 6 he will be sent to Santa Anita, Porter said.

There are 550 miles of sloughs and channels in the delta country of California.

Smoke Over Crater Lake May Presage New Volcano

Smoke clouds observed recently over Crater lake may presage formation of a second volcanic island inside the steep-walled crater, it was learned today from Dr. John Eliot Allen, chief geologist for the Oregon state department of geology and mining industries.

Dr. Allen referred to reports from credible witnesses who have seen the smoke clouds four times in recent weeks, the last on Thursday. He said the theory of volcanic action underneath the 2000 feet of cold water was substantiated by the "belch appearance of the smoke clouds.

Less likely possibilities are that some peculiar air formation has formed over the lake or that landslides had formed dust.

Dr. Allen cited the long studies of Dr. Howel Williams, head

of the geology department at the University of California, indicating that Crater lake is an outgrowth of a huge explosion inside a 12,000-foot mountain—now known as the methodical Mount Mazama and one of many such huge peaks in the Cascade range. A series of terrific blasts are calculated to have blown off the top of the peak and covered a large area of central and southern Oregon with lava pumice. When the lava was exhausted, the remnant of the mountain is believed to have collapsed into the crater and it filled with water to make the present lake. Dr. Williams estimated the explosions to have occurred from 8,000 to 10,000 years ago, while Dr. Ira S. Allison of Oregon State college has later figures indicating it may have been 14,000 years.

FRESNO MAN HELD HERE FOR AUTOMOBILE THEFT

Lee Roy Fleming, Fresno, Cal., has been lodged in the county jail here charged with the theft of an automobile belonging to F. M. Wade, Medford.

Fleming was arrested in Grants Pass Saturday morning on a charge of speeding and admitted theft of the car when questioned by Grants Pass police. Also in Fleming's possession were several personal articles which he admitted stealing, according to police. He was held in the Grants Pass city jail until Jackson county sheriff's deputies went for him this morning.

Radio Highlights

President Truman will define his long-awaited wage-price policy Tuesday at 7 p. m. His talk will be broadcast by all major networks.

Town Over Top On Bond Quota In 31 Minutes

Ripon, Wis., Oct. 29—(U.P.)—The city of Ripon went over the top in 31 minutes today and awaited word from Delano, Calif., its rival in a bond-selling race against time.

A blast of factory whistles touched off the drive at 8:30 a. m. Another blast at 9:01 announced that the city's 4,566 inhabitants had topped their defense bond quota. Doorbell pushing salesmen sold \$560,850 worth of bonds, \$271,070 over the city's quota of \$289,780.

CIVILIAN BUTCHERY TOLD IN TRIAL OF TIGER OF MALAY

General Yamashita Planned Death of All Whites in Orient Says Filipino Witness

Manila, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Three witnesses testified at the opening of Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita's war crimes trial today that they saw his troops bayonet and shoot to death 40 civilians in Red Cross headquarters during the battle of Manila last February.

Most of the victims were women and children. One was a 10-day-old baby.

A fourth witness, Juan P. Juan, a Filipino educator whose wife, two daughters, daughter-in-law and seven grandchildren died in the slaughter, said that a Japanese captain three months earlier had told her that the Japanese intended to kill all white persons in the Orient.

"Tiger" Stoical

Yamashita, the erstwhile "Tiger of Malay" who once was recorded as Japan's best field general, sat unsmiling as the witnesses told of atrocities unparalleled even in the Nazi horror camps of Germany.

Fifty-nine additional charges were added at the opening of the trial to the 64 war crimes originally lodged against him.

The 123 counts hold Yamashita responsible, as supreme Japanese commander in the Philippines in 1944 and 1945, for the deaths of 57,000 Americans, Filipinos and others through torture, execution, starvation and neglect.

NO EASEMENT OF U. S., RED TENSION SEEN IN ADDRESS

Washington, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Some foreign diplomats doubted today that President Truman's foreign policy speech would ease the tension between the United States and Soviet Russia. There was no criticism of his declaration of principles, all of which had been stated before.

But some diplomats felt that his "big stick" military policy would heighten rather than diminish Russian suspicions, and that it might even aggravate Russian-American relations on some problems.

Questions Raised

The speech generally seemed to have raised more questions than it answered. Basic question was whether the U. S. had been applying the president's principles or how it was going to do so in the future. Republican members of congress especially raised this point.

Diplomatic observers and editors of major newspapers were more specific in their criticism—some pointing out several contradictions in the speech itself and also between American principles and practice. They wondered whether Mr. Truman's promise of this country's good intentions would be taken at face value abroad, especially in Soviet Russia.

Glaring Paradox

There was at least one glaring paradox in Mr. Truman's address that was certain to bring reaction from the Russians, as it had in the past.

That was his reiteration that the United States does not want one-inch of territory "anywhere in the world."

But Mr. Truman, as before, sharply qualified that statement by adding that we would insist on "the right to establish necessary bases for our own protection."

He made no suggestion of international control of bases. Some diplomats believe such practice will give Russia justification for seeking a foothold in the Mediterranean or North Africa.

AFL TO EXPAND STRIKE PROGRAM

Portland, Ore., Oct. 29—(U.P.)—The northwest's five-state lumber strike went into its sixth week today with plans for enlargement of the AFL's strike program on the docket for today's meeting of union leaders.

John M. Christenson, president of the northwest council of lumber and sawmill workers, announced that 250 members of the 15 executive councils composing the council will plan the next step in the union's demand for a minimum \$1.10 an hour wage.

They will represent 60,000 AFL lumber and sawmill workers in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and northern California who have been on strike since Sept. 24 when federal negotiations broke down over the union's demand for an industry-wide wage minimum.

ATTLEE TO COME FOR ATOM TALK WITH PRESIDENT

London, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Reports reached here today that Prime Minister Attlee may go to Washington early next month to discuss personally with President Truman the atomic bomb and other pressing international problems.

Political correspondents attributed the reports to Washington sources. Attlee's official residence at No. 10 Downing street declined to confirm or deny them.

Members of commons were curious about who would participate in the atomic bomb talks hinted at by Mr. Truman in his Navy day speech. They also wondered how soon they would start.

Pressure was rising in commons for Attlee to make a full statement on the atomic bomb and the prospects of Anglo-American conferences on its control.

The British press generally voiced approval of President Truman's Navy day speech, but wanted to know more about his plans for control of atomic energy.

Strange Airplanes Over Los Angeles On Feb. 25, 1942

Los Angeles, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Unidentified planes, apparently Japanese, were over Los Angeles on the night of Feb. 25, 1942, when anti-aircraft batteries and searchlights mounted a four-hour barrage, fourth air force records disclosed today.

Compiled from hitherto secret and confidential documents, an air force history now nearing completion in San Francisco said that landings had been anticipated at Seattle and other Pacific coast cities.

No interceptors were sent up to meet the planes, but were held in reserve for an anticipated major assault following observation flights, the records reveal.

WILLOW RUN OPERATION SCHEDULED FOR NOV. 1

Detroit, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Joseph W. Frazer, president of Kaiser-Frazer Corp., and Graham-Paige Motors, announced today that both companies will formally start operations of the huge Willow Run plant Nov. 1.

MAY RENAME BRIDGE

Sacramento, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—The state toll bridge authority will consider a proposal to rename the San Francisco-Oakland bay bridge the Franklin D. Roosevelt bridge at a meeting tomorrow.

EXTREMISTS USE CAPTURED TANKS AGAINST BRITISH

Fighting at Soerabaja Most Violent Native Resistance Since Japs Quit

Batavia, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Bloody fighting flared with renewed intensity today at Soerabaja, biggest naval base in Java, where 2,000 to 3,000 British troops battled Indonesian extremists armed with captured Japanese tanks and armored cars.

British officers reported that their occupation forces had suffered "some" casualties in the battle of Soerabaja.

Dr. I. R. Sukarno, president of the unrecognized Indonesian republic, disavowed the resistance movement at Soerabaja. He flew to the city in eastern Java to investigate the status of the of the extremists, led by one Dr. Mutsopo. Sukarno said Mutsopo was "insane."

Most Violent

The fighting at Soerabaja was the most violent manifestation of native resistance in the Netherlands East Indies since the surrender of Japan.

Two American freighters carrying Dutch stores from Dutch and British New Guinea were due to reach Batavia tomorrow.

A number of small British working parties were reported marooned throughout the city. Grave concern also was felt for the safety of some 6,000 Dutch and Eurasian men, women and children guarded by comparatively light British Indian forces after being rescued Friday from imprisonment by the extremists.

Mistake on Switch Caused Collision

Washington, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—The interstate commerce commission ruled today that the mistaken opening of a switch caused the head-on collision of two Northern Pacific railway passenger trains near Prosser, Wash., Sept. 23.

One train employe was killed and 112 passengers and employes injured.

The accident occurred when an eastbound train struck a stationary westbound train on a siding after the front brakeman of the stopped train opened the switch into the siding.

GRIDDER RECOVERS

Berkeley, Cal., Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Bob McClure, Nevada's All-American tackle candidate, was released from Memorial hospital here yesterday and returned with his team-mates to Reno. McClure suffered a slight brain concussion in the final minutes of the Nevada-California football game Saturday.

SLAIN PAIR DISCOVERED BURIED IN CLOVER FIELD

Rockport, Ind., Oct. 29—(U.P.)—Police disclosed today that they had found \$3,200 in cash, most of it in \$1 bills, on the body of a young woman who was found buried beside a middle-aged man in a clover field.

State police at Indianapolis announced the discovery of the hoard while authorities here tramped through a farmer's clover field in the search for clues to the double slaying.

The two big bundles of bills were found tucked into the dead woman's brassiere. There were 2,700 \$1 bills and a single \$500 bill, police said.

Both victims were unidentified. They apparently were killed and then driven into the clover field on the banks of the Ohio river. There the slayer buried them in a shallow grave. The grave was discovered by the owner of the farm, John Spaetti, when he went out to inspect the

UNION LEADERS APPLY PRESSURE FOR WAGE BOOST

Strikes on Ever-Growing Scale Threatened; Action On Eve of Truman's Talk

Washington, Oct. 29—(U.P.)—The CIO today increased its pressure for wage increases by asking for a strike vote in the steel industry.

The action came as President Truman prepared to address the nation tomorrow night on the administration's new wage-price policy.

The CIO previously warned through its monthly "economic outlook" that "strikes on an ever-growing scale" could be expected unless wages were substantially increased.

Vote Nov. 28

The united steel workers (CIO) filed the strike vote request with the national labor relations board. The strike vote, to be taken Nov. 28, will cover 766 steel, iron and aluminum plants throughout the country. Approximately 800,000 workers will be involved, the largest strike vote in history.

David J. McDonald, secretary-treasurer of the steel workers, filed the request for the strike vote after steel companies had refused the union demand to increase wages \$2 a day.

The CIO executive board was called to meet here Thursday to discuss progress of the two-month-old fight for higher wage rates. It will also map new strategy in the light of the reconversion wage-price guideposts that Mr. Truman outlines tomorrow night.

The president speaks at 7 p. m. (PST) tomorrow. His address will be broadcast by the major networks.

Mr. Truman was expected to emphasize labor's need for higher rates to compensate for loss of wartime take-home pay so that national purchasing power may be maintained. He probably will discuss industry's ability to pay without increasing prices. In this regard, he is expected to point out that business will make a large saving with repeal of the excess profits tax next Jan. 1, now virtually assured by congress.