

Argentina Accused By U.S. Of Wartime Collaboration And Intrigue With Germans

Washington, Feb. 13—(U.P.)—The United States today accused Argentina of wartime collaboration, espionage, hemisphere intrigue and aid to Nazi Germany.

The State department delivered to all other American republics except Argentina a "blue book," based on documents captured in Germany.

Citing a 500 per cent increase in Argentine military credits in the past four years, the "blue book" accuses Argentine totalitarian groups of combining with Nazi leaders and organizations to create a Nazi-Fascist state.

CONSPIRED TO OBTAIN ARMS FOR GERMANY
Argentina was accused of a conspiracy to obtain arms from Germany, of attempting to undermine the inter-American system and of making mockery of its pledge to the United Nations to "reaffirm faith in human rights and in the dignity and worth of the human person."

The United States said the indictment contains only a small proportion of the proof of Argentina's pro-German activity in its hands. This country invited the other American republics to state their views on the charges.

It was charged that high Argentine officials were so seriously compromised in their relations with the enemy that trust and confidence "could not be reposed in that government." That statement was interpreted as a bid for joint action to break off diplomatic relations with the present military regime in Buenos Aires.

PERON NAMED HEAD OF ARGENTINE CONSPIRATORS
The American publication specifically named Col. Juan D. Peron, head of a military junta that took over the Argentine government, as "a principal leader" of the Argentine conspirators. Peron is accused of spurring the Brazilian Integralists and of making similar efforts with domestic pro-Axis forces in Paraguay and Uruguay.

The "blue book" said an enormous volume of documents found hidden and scattered throughout Germany have been catalogued, studied and verified. On basis of these, the U. S. government made its five major accusations:

1. Members of the (Argentine) military government collaborated with enemy agents for important espionage and other purposes damaging to the war effort of the United Nations.

2. Nazi leaders, groups and organizations have combined with the Argentine totalitarian groups to create a Nazi-Fascist state in Argentina.

CONSPIRED TO FORM PRO-AXIS BLOC
3. Members of the military regime who have controlled the government since June 1943 conspired with the enemy to undermine governments in neighboring countries, to destroy their collaboration with the Allies and to align them in a pro-Axis bloc.

4. Successive Argentine governments protected the enemy in economic matters in order to preserve Axis industrial and commercial power in Argentina.

5. Successive Argentine governments conspired with the enemy to obtain arms from Germany.

In the case of Bolivia, the U. S. offered reports from German archives to support an accusation that Peron and other Argentine military leaders promised Bolivia lower tariff barriers and the construction of a new railroad between Argentina and Bolivia if the latter abandoned the good neighbor bloc in favor of the Axis.

HENRY G. ENDERS NEW PRESIDENT OF LINCOLN CLUB

Henry G. Enders, Ashland, was elected president of the Jackson County Lincoln club at the 32nd annual meeting of the group held last night at the Ashland Elks' club. He succeeds Earl Elks, who was elected first vice-president; Robert Dodge, Ashland, second vice-president; William Perry, Eagle Point, third vice-president; Mrs. Rosa Dodge, Galey, Ashland, secretary and treasurer, and Mrs. G. Q. D'Albini, Medford, historian. Kenneth Dennman reported for the nominating committee.

A resolution urging congress to "reassume its rights and leadership in the control and direction of our national government" was passed during the business meeting which preceded the address of Lamar Toole, Portland attorney. The resolution further urged congress to curtail unnecessary expenditure of public monies, provide appropriate legislation for the elimination of all unnecessary governmental bureaus, to eliminate governmental controls affecting the economic life of the people as soon as circumstances permit and to establish a sound and fair labor policy and means of enforcement thereof, applying equally and fairly to both labor and management.

The resolution was presented by Frank Farrell, Medford.

Messages Read

Messages from former President Herbert Hoover, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, Gov. Earl Warren of California, and Gov. Earl Snell of Oregon, were read by Herb Grey, Medford. Messages also were read from Senator Guy Cordon, Congressman Harris Ellsworth, Walter Norblad, Lowell Stockman and Homer Angell, Palmer Hoyt, Ernest Haycox, Secretary of State Robert Farrell, Congressman Joseph W. Martin, Jr., C. E. Ingalls, Corvallis publisher.

Weather

FORECAST: Cloudy tonight and Thursday. Light rain beginning late tonight or Thursday. Slightly warmer tonight.

Highest Yesterday	45
Lowest This Morning	24

MOTORISTS! SAVE A LIFE—KNOW YOUR TRAFFIC LAWS

Here is a law for today. Somewhere in the state of Oregon, failure to observe this law will cost someone his life, or serious injury:

CROSSING FIRE HOSE

No street car or vehicle shall be driven over any unprotected hose of a fire department when laid down on any street, private driveway or street car track, to be used at any fire or alarm of fire, without the consent of the fire officer in command—(Section 115-361—Oregon Motor Vehicle Code).

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

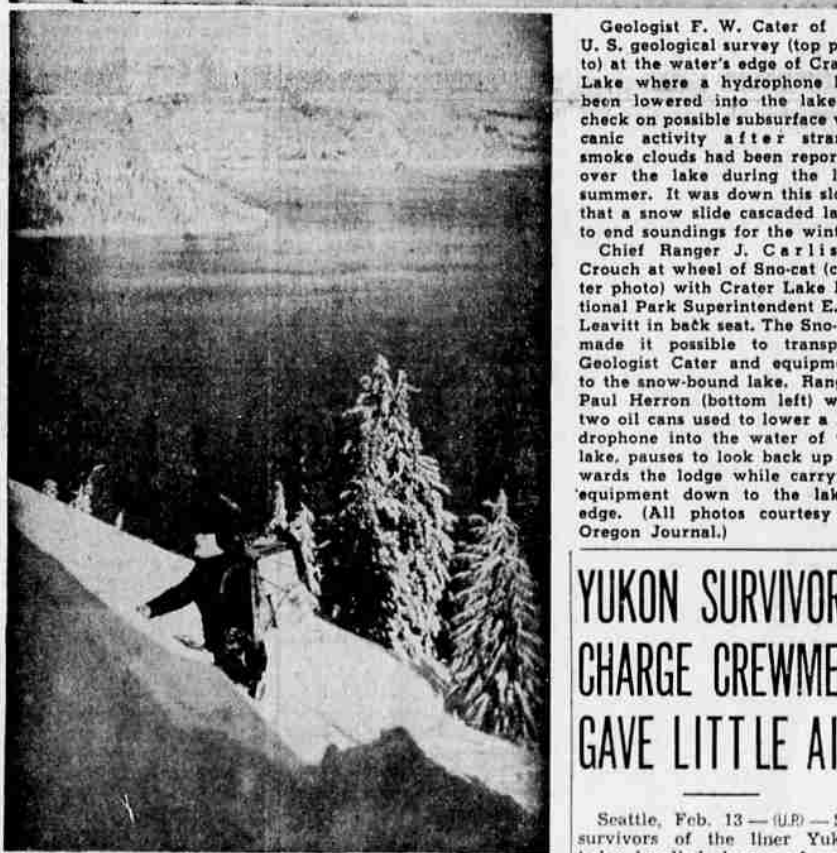
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SECRETARY ICKES QUILTS



Geologist F. W. Cater of the U. S. geological survey (top photo) at the water's edge of Crater Lake where a hydrophone had been lowered into the lake to check on possible subsurface volcanic activity after strange smoke clouds had been reported over the lake during the late summer. It was down this slope that a snow slide cascaded later to end soundings for the winter. Chief Ranger J. Carlisle Crouch at wheel of Sno-cat (center photo) with Crater Lake National Park Superintendent E. P. Leavitt in back seat. The Sno-cat made it possible to transport Geologist Cater and equipment to the snow-bound lake. Ranger Paul Herron (bottom left) with two oil cans used to lower a hydrophone into the water of the lake, pauses to look back up towards the lodge while carrying equipment down to the lake's edge. (All photos courtesy of Oregon Journal.)

YUKON SURVIVORS CHARGE CREWMEN GAVE LITTLE AID

Seattle, Feb. 13—(U.P.)—Six survivors of the liner Yukon today leveled charges of negligence and incompetence against the crew of the ill-fated liner Yukon which crashed onto an Alaskan reef 10 days ago.

The six persons, who arrived here today by plane, were in substantial agreement in saying that the crew did little to help passengers in the marine disaster, known to have cost three lives, with seven others still listed as missing.

Maj. Harold Shevin, 26, and his wife, Alva, 22, of Birmingham, Ala., were in one of the Pan-American clippers landing here. Shevin, former assistant adjutant general of the army's Alaskan department, was explicit in his criticism of the vessel's crew.

Evidence of Drinking

"I cannot charge an individual crew member with drunkenness," he said, "but I saw several men carrying whiskey in their pockets after the ship struck. There was evidence that some had been drinking."

Mrs. Shevin, clad in an Arctic parka, agreed with her husband. "The crew had been drinking all right," she declared. "The crew was not helpful at all. It was everyone for himself. There was no fresh water for over a day."

About a fourth of 700 horses sold at a recent sale at Worland, Wyo., went to cannery and other processors.

NEW YORK CHOICE FOR TEMPORARY CAPITAL OF UNO

Selection Comes After Last-Minute Proposal to Locate Headquarters in San Fran.

London, Feb. 13—(U.P.)—The United Nations Security Council rejected tonight a Soviet Ukrainian motion for appointment of a special commission to investigate British military intervention in Indonesia.

London, Feb. 13—(U.P.)—The United Nations Organization today selected New York City as its temporary home until the permanent world peace center has been erected in the United States.

The UNO headquarters committee settled on New York after rejecting a last-minute proposal to locate in San Francisco during the interim period required for construction of the permanent United Nations city—possibly three to five years.

Australia and Bolivia led the last-ditch fight for San Francisco, but their motion was voted down by a narrow 21-to-9 margin, with the United States abstaining.

France and most of the Latin-American nations supported the pro-San Francisco motion and voted against New York City on a second ballot which ended with selection of the American metropolis by a count of 29 to 13.

RESUME BUSINESS IN CITIES WHERE STRIKERS RETURN

By United Press

It was business as usual for 12,000,000 Americans today after 18 to 48 hours during which utilities, transit and tugboat strikes crippled three great cities.

But labor troubles still kept 1,528,000 workers away from their jobs in the nation's troubled postwar industrial situation.

The strike picture by cities:

Pittsburgh

An independent utilities workers union called off its 20-hour strike against the Duquesne Power and Light Co. last night.

The company agreed to resume negotiations "starting from scratch" on union demands for a 20 per cent wage increase for 3,400 workers.

Philadelphia

Trolleys, buses, subway and elevated trains rolled today for the first time in 48 hours, after 9,655 CIO transit workers accepted a 12-cent an hour wage increase and returned to their jobs.

New York City

New York city health commissioner Ernest L. Stebbins last night rescinded a disaster ruling, invoked because of a strike of 3,500 AFL tugboat crewmen which seriously curtailed fuel supplies. The order, affecting 7,454,995 persons, remained in effect for 18 hours.

German Prisoners Leaving For Home

Fort Lewis, Wash., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—Army officials said here today that the first of two shiploads of German prisoners of war would leave the port of Tacoma tonight en route to Europe.

The S. S. Cape Henlopen, with 1,100 POWs aboard, will be followed Feb. 18 by the steamship Sea Quail with 1,900 prisoners.

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Voices Warning



Warning President Truman that his administration may be heading into an oil scandal through the nomination of Edwin W. Pauley, California oil man, to be undersecretary of navy, Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes (above) has resigned his office.

\$90 MILLION FOR PUBLIC WORKS IS VOTED OVER VETO

Sacramento, Feb. 13—(U.P.)—A bill appropriating \$90,000,000 in state funds for city and county public works became law today as the state senate followed the assembly in overriding Gov. Earl Warren's veto of the measure.

The senate vote cancelling the governor's veto was 35 to 3, following the assembly's 64 to 8 vote in the assembly. A two-thirds vote was required in both houses.

The rejection of the veto was the first such action in Warren's term, and followed a bitter dispute between the governor and the legislators over disposition of postwar funds.

Under the bill, the \$90,000,000 will be divided evenly between cities and counties. The city share must be used for sewer improvements up to standards set by the state public health department, and remaining money may be used for storm drains, major streets, schools and water systems. All of the city money must be matched equally.

TORNADO BOWS TO FROSH FIVE

Eugene, Feb. 13—The University of Oregon Frosh dumped a tiring Medford high basketball crew 51-43 in a contest here yesterday afternoon. Though the tilt was closely fought most of the way, Medford was in front only once when Cave dumped in a field goal to make the count 42-41 with four minutes left in the game. The Frosh led at halftime 29-27. DeWayne Johnson was high mar with 15 for the winners and Jerry Ross netted 11 for the Tornado.

The contest was Medford's fourth in five days.

Woman Suffocates Under Snow Slide

Miller River, Wash., Feb. 13—(U.P.)—Mrs. Juliette Wright, 72, died of suffocation here yesterday after she was buried in 500 cubic feet of snow which slid from the roof of her home as she was sweeping a path from her back door to the water pump.

Neighbors told Deputy Coroner James Adams that Mrs. Wright, partly deaf, neglected to wear her hearing aid yesterday and apparently failed to hear the slide start.

SECRETARY FEARS ANOTHER TEAPOT SCANDAL BREWING

Oil Interests' Pressure Cited in Warning; Truman Accepts Without Comment.

Washington, Feb. 13—(U.P.)—President Truman today accepted the resignation of Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes, who left the cabinet with a warning against the kind of political pressure which produced the Teapot Dome oil scandal.

The White House said Ickes' resignation, ending nearly 13 years in the same post, would be effective Friday. Assistant Secretary of Interior Oscar L. Chapman will run the department until Mr. Truman picks a permanent successor to Ickes.

Letters Unreleased
The White House did not release either Ickes' letter of resignation or the president's letter, dated yesterday, in which he warned of possible political pitfalls.

Ickes went back 25 years to the administration of the late President Harding to suggest by inference an analogy with a trend he considers to be developing now.

Detailing his recent public battle against Edwin W. Pauley, California oil man nominated by President Truman to be undersecretary of navy, Ickes declared that his department had been subjected to political pressure.

Dome Scandal Cited
Harking back to the Teapot Dome scandal in which Harding's secretary of interior, the late Albert Fall, was convicted of accepting a \$100,000 oil bribe, Ickes said in his letter:

"As I leave the department, I feel that I ought to warn you of a cloud, now no bigger than a man's hand, that my experience sees in the sky."

In testimony at a senate naval affairs committee hearing on Pauley's nomination, Ickes said the former democratic national treasurer tried to get him to drop a suit for federal title to oil-rich tidelands by holding out the promise of democratic campaign contributions by oil men.

Pauley denied the charge. And at a news conference on Feb. 7 President Truman, supporting his nominee, said Ickes might well have been mistaken. The Pauley nomination is headed into a finish battle in the senate, with the outcome highly uncertain.

No Alternative

In his letter, Ickes said the president in effect had "expressed a lack of confidence in me." He added that he had no alternative but to resign. He suggested that the resignation take effect March 31, but Mr. Truman advanced it to this Friday.

Declaring that he told nothing but the truth about Pauley to the senate committee and asserting that he would have been guilty of perjury if he had done otherwise, Ickes added:

"I was shocked by the suggestion that liberal campaign contributions might be forthcoming if the government should forego whatever claim it might have to the oil-rich lands lying off the coast of California."

"Above all departments, the department of the interior must always be on guard against any association of money with politics, and even over-zealous, by the standards of some men, in defending the government's legal proprietary rights."

Always Tempted
"The forces that ruined Secretary Fall will always be playing upon anyone who is secretary of the interior."

"It is not now certain that other departments will be immune to similar sinister pressures."

"And the forces that ruined Secretary Fall because he made the mistake of deciding that, politically, he had to yield to them will always be seeking to oust or to discredit any secretary who will not surrender to them."

There were 383 Civil War soldiers and nurses on the U. S. pension rolls June 30, 1944.