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NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, June 6—The congressional directors in Mr. Roosevelt's confidence have been trooping out of the White House lately with saddened countenances. They passed the word along the top wave length here that Mr. Roosevelt's negotiations with Mussolini were unsatisfactory.

The Italian leader seemed to give some assurance he might do nothing before June 15, but considered himself bound to enter the war. His position was that he had a contract obligation with Hitler which must be fulfilled.

LOSSES CONFIRMED

The president's advice also confirmed one important bit of allied news which has sounded like propaganda. The Germans lost very heavily in the final stages of the Dunkerque engagement, especially in flooded areas where they were forced to abandon their tanks and meet the French and British on an equal footing, sometimes two feet deep in water and mud. That is why the British escaped.

The news raised some hopes that Germany might require a breathing spell for reorganization.

HOUSING BILL

The attempt of the new dealers to get a fresh \$800,000,000 appropriation for housing fell like a feather upon the floor of the house banking committee—softly but surely. The downtown boys had stirred the committee into calling a meeting now that the budget is shot anyway, and the committeemen dutifully assembled to start the vast spending project on its way toward enactment. But as they entered the committee room, a congressman handed each member a May 21 copy of "Public Housing," the weekly newspaper of the United States housing authority. Therein textually published was an address by Assistant USHA Administrator Robert C. Weaver on the subject of the negro as a tenant. The following were the final two paragraphs relating to government projects for mixed racial occupancy:

PRESTIGE

The administration is indirectly scattering seeds of assurance that Mr. Roosevelt will run. The activity indicates only that the White House has been perturbed by earlier published pieces, particularly one by Rexford Tugwell in "LOOK," that FDR had decided not to try.

Mr. Roosevelt could not let the impression that he will not run gain general circulation now for two mighty good reasons. His prestige in handling the foreign situation would be damaged seriously. He could not expect to swing much weight here or abroad if it were known his authority would expire in a few months.

Likewise the hand-picked delegates he has chosen for the democratic convention might be encouraged to become unmanageable if cast loose before the Chicago assemblage. The game must be kept up for a while.

APPOINTMENT OKAYED

MOSCOW, June 5 (UP)—Premier Vicheslov Molotov today agreed to the appointment of Erik Labonne as French ambassador to soviet Russia.

A clam-raisers in Seattle, Wash., once sued a steamship company for \$8000 because its steamships caused its claims to clash their shells.

CREDIT LOOPHOLE

A smooth loophole large enough to push small government credits through to the allies may have been formed in a section of the new reconstruction finance bill pending in congress.

The loop is not evident to anyone who would read the legislation. It merely allows the RFC to grant money advances on purchases from abroad.

But the agriculture department has confidentially made a recommendation to RFC which would enlarge the crevice. It suggests the arrangement be used to our purchases of such strategic war products as rubber and tin, so that Britain, for example, could get money from the RFC for the purchase of planes at least 60 days before its tin or rubber was delivered here.

SIDE GLANCES



"Careful, Mother! No picking up and hugging me before the men!"

Crossed Controls Cause of Bomber Crash in L. A.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., June 6 (UP)—A huge Douglas transport plane being tested for the navy crashed last Saturday because the control cables were crossed. Douglas Aircraft announced today after a study of wreckage in which four men were killed.

Carl A. Cover, vice-president of the company, said the investigation would be continued to determine how the cables became crossed and how the defect escaped detection in pre-flight inspections. The possibility of sabotage was minimized, although officials said the inquiry would not overlook any evidence.

Trial Opens in Torch Killings

TACOMA, Wash., June 6 (UP) A 42-year-old city fireman listened nervously today to charges that he shot and killed, in a jealous rage, two newlyweds and turned the husband into a human torch.

John Ord, tall and powerful, faced the death penalty if convicted of the murder of Hale and Myra Nosler. The husband's kerosene-soaked body was ignited. Injured in the melee was Henry Pomeroy, who described the scene on the witness stand yesterday.

The prosecution asserted the slain woman lived with Ord for a number of years preceding her marriage.

MOSCOW BOUND

KOVNO, Lithuania, Thursday, June 6 (UP)—Premier Antanas Merkys will go to Moscow today on the invitation of Soviet Premier and Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov to discuss general questions of relations between the two countries, it was announced officially.

WAR FUND

OTTAWA, Ont., June 5 (UP) Eric Hamber, lieutenant-governor of British Columbia and Mrs. Hamber, have sent Prime Minister Mackenzie King a check for \$100,000 to assist in financing the war, it was disclosed today.

The Labor Movement

INDUSTRIAL PROGRESS

PROSPERITY is an American ideal for industry. In a hazy way we all mean by prosperity a relative abundance of economic goods and a decent standard of living by all connected with these notions, we usually mean a scattering of this so-called prosperity through the entire social group, and an economy uninterrupted by panic and uncertainty.

Any such prosperity depends upon the industrial machine of capitalism. Men are labeled "radicals" or "conservatives" usually in terms of their attitude toward this machine. Whether some want to keep it or junk it, up to now, most of us are agreed that industrial progress can best be achieved in a democracy. Organized labor has a contribution to make to the way of democracy, not the only contribution, but nevertheless an important contribution.

Industrial progress in a democracy is slow, but sincere Americans prefer this way to any other way. Progress is made by a three angled process: the state through social legislation, enlightened employers through forward looking programs and organized labor through collective bargaining. The way is slow for the reason that the more incisive the social legislation, the more it is lobbied against and, if passed, the more likely it is to be hamstrung before it brings about change. Again, the enlightened employer who attempts to be pace setter by introducing novel and crack-pot schemes is frowned upon by the laggards. The way of the socially experimental manager is sometimes a hard way. And yet again, the attempts at stability and progress through collective bargaining are often wasteful and, on occasion, socially destructive. There is a deep seated fallacy in the notion that the end justifies the means.

In the long run, the entire issue is reduced to this: can one be an idealist and hold to the way of democracy in spite of the frustration of social legislation, and the fruitlessness of enlightened employers and the futility of collective bargaining?

Forest Lumber Company Sued By Insurers

PORTLAND, June 6 (UP)—Thirteen insurance companies sued the Forest Lumber company of Pine Ridge today to limit to \$500,123 claims totaling \$821,000 made against the companies for property losses in the burning of Pine Ridge in a forest fire last August.

The insurance companies filed a second suit involving a hotel building owned by the company. The plaintiffs said \$30,936 was paid and that the full amount of the claim, \$35,000, was not warranted.

The insurance adjusters paid \$98,576 on policies totaling \$120,000 covering a dry kiln and fuel house. A claim of \$10,333 was paid on a commissary.

What is physically possible is always financially possible—Manchester Boddy, editor of the Los Angeles News.

Courthouse Records

(WEDNESDAY)
 Marriage Applications
 HANSON - SMITH, George Willard Hanson, 20, meat cutter, Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Idaho, Louise Genevieve Smith, 17, housewife, Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Oregon.
 Divorce Complaint Filed
 Nondis E. Nelson versus William E. Nelson, Charge, conviction of a felony, Couple married in Klamath Falls July 20, 1929. William Ganong, attorney for plaintiff.
 Justice Court
 Lester Gance, Operating as automobile dealer without a license. Fined \$50.00.
 ASHLAND FAVORS DST
 ASHLAND, June 5 (UP)—Despite the objections of Mayor Thornton S. Wiley, the Ashland city council was on record today favoring coastwide adoption of daylight saving time.

LAST DAY 'TWO GIRLS ON BROADWAY'

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Weygand's Original Plan

AST fall, a few days after the war started, Paul Mallon described on this page what the French might and could do to the Italians if the Allies decided to invade Hitler's "non-belligerent" ally. An attack on Italy at that time was vetoed, Mr. Mallon reported, by the British, probably in the hope that Mussolini might in some way be brought around to joining forces with the western powers.

The author of the plan for the Italian invasion at the start of the war was General Maxime Weygand, since made commander of all the Allied forces in the war. Mr. Mallon says that if Weygand had prevailed, there might never have been any Finland, any Norway, any Holland or any Belgian invasions. The Allies, then in an offensive attitude, might well have swept through Italy to attack Germany on the flank.

All of that gives irony to the present situation, with the hard-pressed Allies confronted with the possibility that Mussolini will attack them the moment he feels sure that the Germans have them down. The Allies abandoned plans for attack and instead lay in wait while their enemy built a gigantic offensive machine that all but battered them into defeat at the moment it opened up. They are holding the machine back at this moment, but they must keep one jittery eye on Mussolini, whom they spared at the start of the conflict.

In the close quarters of Europe, General Weygand's theory that the way to win is to attack, appears to be well justified by all that has occurred in the war. Just now, General Weygand is too hard-pressed defending, to put his theory into immediate practice. Perhaps he may yet have the chance which the Allies muffed at the beginning of the war. The old general must bite his lip when he thinks of it now.

Upper Lake Event Sunday

OUTBOARD motorboats will skim and roar over Upper Klamath lake Sunday, when the annual boat regatta is held under sponsorship of the Klamath county junior chamber of commerce.

For many years the junior chamber has conducted this event in the late spring, attracting thousands of spectators to the rocky hillsides at the south end of the big lake. Outboard racing, sailboat racing, and log-bucking contests have become permanent features of the regatta program, comprising a creditable show well worth traveling miles to see.

The regatta is the one public event that directs attention to the boating possibilities on Upper Klamath lake. This is a great recreational asset of this community which might well be extensively developed for the pleasure of people living here.

Few cities are better located for the enjoyment of this type of sport. Klamath should make the most of it, and the junior chamber, through the boat regatta, is furthering that possibility.

"Right the first time" captions Art Perry of the Medford Mail-Tribune over an excerpt from the correction letter by Mrs. Wilbur Jones, appearing on this page in connection with the size of a Klamath range. But we were wrong the first time. There's a lot of difference (2450 square miles to be exact) between 50 square miles and 50 miles square. The range was 50 miles square, or 2500 square miles.

85 REGISTER FOR SESSION BEGINNING JUNE 10 AT SOCE

SOUTHERN OREGON COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, Ashland June 6 (Special)—Eighty-five students have prescheduled for the first session of summer school, which opens with registration on June 10 at the Southern Oregon College of Education. Students planning to register on this date must submit an official transcript of their scholastic record prior to registering.

High school graduates who wish to earn a term's credit, as well as out of state teachers who wish to earn required credits for certification to teach in the elementary schools of Oregon, may register for work either the first session or the post session which begins on July 22. A full term of work may be taken with the same tuition as during the regular school year. There will be no partial payment during the summer quarter.

Upper division courses as well as required subjects in art, music, education and psychology, health, language and literature, science, social science, history, geography, and political science will be given. Special recreational courses in physical education, including tennis, golf, swimming, community recreation, and other recreational activities are offered with regular credit. During the first session regular work may be taken at the Lincoln Training school as well as special courses in diagnosis and remedial reading and preparatory education.

Students planning to register are urged to do so on June 10,

because of the short length of the term. Failure to register on this date will necessitate paying the regular late-registration fee.

Portland Rose Festival Opens

PORTLAND, June 6 (UP)—The annual Portland rose festival opened last night with the crowning of Queen Virginia Rothenberg at coronation ceremonies held in the civic auditorium.

Dances by a ballet troupe, an exhibition by American Legion Post No. 1 Drum and Bugle corps, stunts and music by the Vancouver and Bothell, Wash., high school bands, followed.

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