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WARM

JAP MOVE DENOUNCED BY U. S.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ON the basis of today's dispatches, Japan appears to have Indo-China in the bag. She may get away with it WITHOUT shooting.

AS these words are written, this looks like the deal:
1. France to recognize Japan as the PREDOMINANT POWER to safeguard peace in the Orient.
2. France to accept whatever present measures Japan deems necessary to safeguard Indo-China without detriment to French sovereignty.

POINT No. 2 is eyewash. If Japan swallows Indo-China, only FORCE will induce her to disgorge.

WASHINGTON dispatches today hint that Britain might use force and that we may apply economic pressure (stoppage of gasoline and other military supplies, etc.) if Japan gets too cocky.

If the Japs play their cards shrewdly enough, don't look for either threat to materialize.

WHAT Japan wants is to grab Indo-China and then sit on the fence and wait until she can pick a sure winner. She doesn't want to make the ghastly mistake Mussolini made.

AN equally safe guess: Neither Britain nor the United States wants war with Japan right now if it can be avoided without giving up too much.

FROM "authoritative London quarters" comes this statement today: "Hitler's invasion of Russia is SLOWING DOWN if not actually halted."

Britain has a military mission in Moscow. London might know something.

FROM Shanghai comes a report that Russian and Japanese forces have clashed on the Manchoukuo-Siberia frontier.

The Japs may be testing out Russia's eastern army for Hitler to see if a substantial part of it has been sent to support the defense of Moscow.

Also the report may be moonshine.

ANOTHER possibly significant bit of news today: General Mud has appeared on the Russian-German front.

Nazi dispatches this morning admit that slippery roads and generally gluey going are impeding movement of trucks, tanks, heavy artillery and other essential equipment.

THE London radio (British propaganda) asserts that 5,000 Serbs have risen in Yugoslavia, swooping down from the hills and the mountain hiding places and attacking Nazi garrisons and outposts.

(Take this, however, with a grain of salt. It comes from the least reliable of British sources.)

ON the home front, General Marshall (U. S. chief of staff) tells congress:

"Policy (as to length of army service) should be settled now. At a time like this, it is unfortunate that I have to fight a problem of morale."

Stimson Says Wheeler Near Treason Line

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP)—Secretary of War Stimson said today that Senator Wheeler (D-Mont.) had mailed postcards to army officers and men urging them to oppose American entry into the European war.

"I think this comes very near the line of subversive activities against the United States, if not treason," Stimson told a press conference.

Wheeler Answers
The cards went out postage free, Stimson said, under the name of the western senator.

A million of the cards had been printed in the government printing office, Stimson said, but were labeled "Not printed at government expense."

Wheeler told reporters that he had sent out approximately 1,000,000 cards to "a cross section of citizens" all over the country "in an effort to hold the president to his pledge to keep this country out of war."

Some of the cards "naturally reached officers and men in the army," the Montanan continued.

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BIG APPROPRIATION BILL BEFORE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP)—A new \$8,063,238,478 outlay for the army, navy and maritime commission, including funds to step up merchant ship construction to two vessels daily by early next year, was recommended to the house today by its appropriations committee.

Of the total, \$4,760,203,813 would go to the army to provide equipment and maintenance for a land force of 1,727,000 men—309,000 more than present strength—plus critical items for a 3,000,000-man army. The sum proposed for the army would swell to a record high of \$15,328,171,132 the funds made available to it in the present fiscal year which opened July 1.

The committee recommended \$1,698,650,000 in cash and contractual authority for the maritime commission to permit construction of 541 cargo vessels and acquisition of 350 others to meet a serious ship shortage created at least in part by the lend-lease program.

Maritime commission officials told the committee, in testimony made public today, that 100 American merchant ships have been or will shortly be withdrawn from domestic service and chartered to Britain for the hazardous Red Sea service.

Already 2,300,000 tons of shipping have been transferred to the lend-lease traffic in the north Atlantic, they reported.

The army's share of the funds, the committee said, would provide for a year's maintenance, on combat status, of an 83-group air force instead of the currently planned 54 groups. The manpower increase of 309,000 for which the committee provided would consist of 152,000 men needed in connection with the expanded 30,000 pilot training program and 157,000 required for new units to be created in this fiscal year.

Willis C. Hawley, Former Congressman From Oregon, Dies

SALEM, July 24 (AP)—Former U. S. Rep. Willis C. Hawley, 77, famous as the co-author of the Smoot-Hawley tariff, died at his home here today.

POE VALLEY GRASS FIRE BURNS HOME

12,000 Acres Covered Before Lines Hold Blaze Thursday

After covering an estimated 12,000 acres and burning out at least one farm, the Stukel mountain fire was corralled Thursday. Additional men, sent to both the Poe Valley and Dixon gulch side of the fire Thursday, were on patrol duty.

Huge volumes of smoke from this fire destroyed visibility over the entire countryside.

The Benedict home in Poe valley was burned to the ground, and all that was saved was a sewing machine, washing machine and one or two other articles. The Benedicts were said to be at Medford at the time, but two children were at home.

The fire, which was thought nearly under control Tuesday night, apparently broke through backfire lines on the Poe valley side. According to County Judge U. E. Reeder, who was among farmers out fighting the flames Tuesday night and who made an inspection tour last night, the fire was raging through thick juniper trees into the foothills on the west side of Poe valley. Reeder said the green junipers seemed to burst into flame immediately and glow like Christmas trees. He said the bronco grass was as high as he had ever seen it—knee deep—and the flames raced through it quickly.

Water equipment of Liskey brothers was credited with saving the Van Meter and Webber houses at Poe valley. A haystack was reported burned, several miles of fencing was lost, and a number of head of cattle were saved when they were brought to the valley from the hills.

Farmers turned out en masse with tractors and other equipment to keep the flames from approaching grain fields, farm buildings and houses. Their gang plows made wide furrows around all buildings in the path of the fire.

Hillman Announces Uniform Agreement To Prevent Strikes

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP)—Sidney Hillman, associate director, said today that the office of production management had approved a uniform agreement between defense agencies and the AFL building trades designed to stabilize employment and prevent strikes.

The agreement, approved by the war and navy departments and the defense housing coordination office, will cover all building and construction work in the defense program.

Officials said that it would affect about 800 workers directly and that indirectly a total of about 1,500,000 would be affected. They explained that many of the latter were working on housing projects in defense areas and were not hired directly by the government.

Klamath Growers Report Wool Prices Good, Clip Half Sold

Lack of speculation features the 1941 wool market but despite this fact, sheepmen of southern Oregon are obtaining a good price for wool with range clips bringing from 31 to 34 cents per pound, and farm clips for around 35 cents, according to Klamath wool growers Thursday.

The price compares favorably with that of the past few years, around seven cents higher in most prices, and approximately one-half the wool is sold at a time, an authoritative source stated. Shearing has been completed throughout the basin as well as in Lake county, last flock to go under the clippers was on July 2.

Share in Fortune



Mary Alice Rice (top), and Mildred Borst (bottom), former showgirls, were named with two other young women to share the "more than \$1,000,000" estate of William Guggenheim of the famous copper family, in a will that made no provisions for Guggenheim's widow and son. The will's provisions were disclosed by a New York law firm.

ECUADOR SAYS JAPS FIGHTING FOR PERU

3000 Orientals Form Advance Line on Border, Claim

QUITO, Ecuador, July 24 (AP)—An official bulletin issued by the Ecuador government charged today that at least 3000 Japanese officers and men were in Peruvian front lines in a renewal of border fighting between Ecuador and Peru.

(Peru has a large number of Japanese residents. Those born in Peru are automatically Peruvian citizens and presumably eligible for military service.)

The government statement said fierce fighting broke out again this morning with resumption of the Peruvian attack after a fairly quiet night. Yesterday's skirmishing had been reported the heaviest thus far in the new flare-up over the old border dispute.

"At 5:30 a. m. the fighting was intense," the statement said. The Peruvians had considerably strengthened their positions. Captain Ceron, commander of the Carabineros fighting at Quebrada Seca, said that he saw

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Russian Front Unchanged

REPORTS OF JAP ATTACK UNCONFIRMED

London Declares Nazi Drive Halted by Red Defenses

By The Associated Press
Adolf Hitler's invasion of Russia is slowing down if it has not entirely halted, authoritative London quarters said today, while at Russia's back door there were unconfirmed reports that Japanese and soviet troops had clashed on the Manchoukuo-Siberia frontier.

DNB, the official German news agency asserted that a large Russian force encircled at Nevel, north of Vitebsk on the central front, had been smashed by Nazi troops "with extraordinarily heavy losses."

The agency said 13,000 soviet prisoners were captured.

Third Moscow Raid
Hitler's high command, once more acknowledging "strong local resistance" by soviet troops, declared:

"The operations of the German armed forces and of their allies are taking their planned course on the entire eastern front in spite of difficult roads."

German bombers attacked Moscow for the third successive night, the Nazi war bulletin said, pounding "vital military objectives."

The Russians said that the raiders, 150 strong, inflicted some casualties in another five and one-half hour assault, but

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BASEBALL AMERICAN LEAGUE

NEW YORK, July 24 (AP)—The New York Yankees made it three straight over the Indians and stretched their lead to 10 games with a 4 to 1 victory in the final game of the series today. Charlie Keller hit his 24th homer for the Yanks in the fifth and Ken Keltner got one for the Tribe in the eighth.

R. H. E.
Cleveland 7 10 1
New York 4 7 0

Bagby and Hemsley, Desautels (8); Gomez, Bonham (8) and Dickey, Rosar (6).

R. H. E.
St. Louis 7 10 1
Philadelphia 9 13 0

Allen, Newlin (1), Caster (8) and Ferrell, Swift (8); C. Harris, Dean (2), Beckman (4) and Wagner.

R. H. E.
Chicago 1 6 3
Boston 11 10 0

Dietrich, Haynes (5) and Turner; Harris and Pytlak.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

R. H. E.
Philadelphia 2 11 0
Pittsburgh 3 10 1

Grissom, St. Johnson (9) and Livingston; Bowman, Klinger (8), and Davis.

RAF Report on German Camouflage



These pictures, released by the British air ministry, are described as showing how a lake and bridge at Hamburg, Germany, were camouflaged. Top: British identify the smaller body of water as Binnen Alster, one of two lakes in Hamburg, the other as Aussen Alster, another lake, with a bridge between them. Bottom: British say an artificial "built up" area, floated on rafts, covers the small lake, and a replica of the bridge, a rail connection, had been built 600 yards away.

Italians Claim Victory in Mediterranean Sea Battle

ROME, July 24 (AP)—A fierce air-naval battle in the central Mediterranean, lasting from dawn to darkness yesterday, has ended in an Italian victory with a British destroyer, two munitions-laden steamers and another "large unspecified unit" sunk, the Italian high command declared today.

A big British convoy, escorted by battleships, cruisers, torpedo boats and aircraft carriers was spotted by Italian aerial scouts at dawn, the communique said, and attacked by air until darkness. Then it said, light naval units of the Italian fleet took up the fight.

(British naval sources in London made no comment on the Italian report.)

Italian planes, "defying imposing anti-aircraft reaction and numerous fighting planes," scored as follows, the communique said:

Sank a 15,000-ton steamer and a 10,000-ton steamer, both carrying explosives.

Torpedoed a 10,000-ton cruiser of the Southampton class and an 8000-ton cruiser.

Bombed a battleship, a cruiser, a destroyer, another heavy steamer and "another unspecified unit."

In the night attack by naval forces, the communique said a destroyer and another "large unspecified unit" were sunk by motor torpedo boats, and a large vessel in the convoy was hit by torpedoes from a submarine.

The communique did not state whether the unspecified ships were warships or merchantmen, but indicated both were fighting ships larger than destroyer size,

possibly cruisers, aircraft carriers or battleships.

NIPPON HELD AGGRESSOR IN DRIVE SOUTH

American Security in Far East Menaced, Says Welles

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP)—Japan was denounced as an aggressor in French Indo-China by the United States today in a statement declaring American security, territory and interests in the far east were menaced by action of Tokyo forces.

The statement, issued by Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, was the first of expected counter-action on the part of the United States and Britain against the impending occupation of the French colony by Nipponese forces.

Warships Move
Japanese warships were reported authoritatively to have arrived off Camranh bay and Cap St. Jacques, strategic points in the colony.

Japan's action, Welles said, was primarily in preparation for further "unprovoked conquest in adjacent areas." The Philippine islands would be endangered by such moves, he added.

Vessels Held Up
Welles' denunciation of the Japanese was reported in San Francisco this morning as the Tatuta Maru, carrying 300 passengers and \$2,500,000 in silk. The others were said to include empty tankers.

Indications both here and in London were that the American government stood ready to impose sweeping economic restrictions on Japan, paralleling possible British military action to offset the threat against their Singapore naval base and the Netherlands East Indies which would be created by establishment of Japanese bases in southern Indo-China.

That the occupation was imminent (Continued on Page Two)

Three Killed in Train Collision Near Vancouver

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 24 (CP)—Death of two crewmen in hospital brought to three today the death toll in the head-on collision of two passenger trains on the Great Northern Railway line a few miles east of here in which the fireman of one train was killed instantly.

H. H. Krinks of Vancouver, baggageman of the Canadian National Railway train which collided with a Great Northern train, and H. H. Mills of Vancouver, C.N.R., crewman, died in hospital a few hours after the wreck. A Hager of Seattle, fireman on the Great Northern train, died in the head-on smash.

The wreck occurred at 8:17 a. m. (PST) near New Westminster, 12 miles east of here. The two locomotives struck with terrific force, derailling both, smashing a baggage car and tearing up track for yards along the right of way.

Critically injured in New Westminster hospital is John Carey, Seattle, Great Northern engineer who suffered the loss of his left foot and J. Rynam of Vancouver, C.N.R. crewman.

McNary to Run For Another Senate Term

PORTLAND, Ore., July 24 (AP)—Senator Charles L. McNary, minority leader and republican vice presidential candidate in 1940, announced this morning he would ask Oregon voters to return him to the senate for another term in 1942.

McNary, with his wife and daughter, Charlotte, arrived from Washington for an indefinite vacation in Oregon.

His candidacy had been a subject for speculation for several weeks. Today's announcement was his first.

"I intend to be a candidate for reelection next year," he said. "I have been urged by many . . . friends throughout Oregon . . . and the country, by my colleagues in the congress, by farm leaders over the nation," he said.

Speaking of the foreign situation, McNary said he still was opposed to sending American troops outside America and that he saw "nothing at present to

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