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Pacific Situation Tense

THE turn of events in Japan, where the moderate government of Konoye has been supplanted by an army cabinet, turns attention again to the defense of the Pacific. It appears at this moment to make more remote than ever the possibility of developing a friendly situation with Japan that will make it unnecessary to proceed with defense preparations in the Pacific coast area.

There has been hope that trouble with Japan can be avoided, and maybe it can be. Certainly this country has gone to great lengths to that end. But Hitler has been putting on the pressure to put pro-Axis Japan actively into the struggle on his side, thus to divert American aid from his opposition on the European front.

Good sense would dictate to Japan a pro-American policy. But good sense has not been in the saddle in Japan. The military extremists have been running the show most of the time, and unless there be a drastic change in the immediate future, it looks as if they will have their way in getting the country into deeper water than ever. Probably the immediate plan is to make a grab at Siberia while Russia is hard-pressed, but that means inevitably trouble with Great Britain and America.

Here on the Pacific coast we are deeply concerned in this situation. If there is the slightest danger of war in the Pacific, this area must be far better protected than it is at present. There has been evidence that coast defense activities have been somewhat delayed pending the outcome of the Japanese developments. Such delays may be costly.

Duck Hunting Hazards

ALTHOUGH it is contrary to general belief and possibly to conditions elsewhere, it is an established fact that duck hunting is more dangerous than deer hunting in the Klamath county.

The record is the proof. Year after year, there have been duck hunting deaths in this area, whereas in ten years there have been not more than one or two deer hunting fatalities in Klamath county.

Drowning has taken the greatest toll of duck hunters. This year's season was not three hours old before a hunter lost his life in the waters of Sheep Lake slough, and another barely avoided the same fate in a rescue effort.

Dressed in high boots, weighted down with heavy clothing, shells and birds, even a good swimmer would have difficulty in extricating himself from deep water. There is need for the greatest caution on the part of duck hunters in wading in strange waters, or in going out in boats on rough days.

Shotguns, carelessly handled, are a dangerous threat to life. There have been several shotgun accidents here which occurred when hunters were getting in and out of boats, and others have happened when going through fences.

These tragedies mar the bird hunting season in this area.

Two Pay Fines for Game Violations

Justice of the Peace Joseph A. Mahoney cleaned his desk and files thoroughly Wednesday and prepared for a busy period of game violations with the advent of waterfowl hunting season. Thursday he heard two cases of infraction of the game laws and said more were pending.

Jack Emil Eichendorf was fined \$12.20 for hunting without a license in his gun, a prohibited method. Earl L. Fink was also fined \$12.20 on a charge of hunting game birds without federal duck stamp.

Read the Classified page.

RAINBOW

Plays Today and Saturday
TWO ACE HITS!

HIT NO. 1—
For this woman
men had to die!



HIT NO. 2—
The YIPPEE-EST
romance you've ever seen!



Training Plane Crash Kills Two

SHAFER, Cal., Oct. 17 (UP)—An army BT-13 training plane crashed two miles southwest of here yesterday, killing Lieut. Thomas B. Bright, 25, Hope, Ark., and Aviation Cadet Albert S. Owens, 21, Hopkins, Mo.

The plane, which was from the Lenoir army air corps training field near Shafter, was flying in formation with two other planes when it went into a spin and crashed into a cotton field.

Robert Fuller, cotton picker who witnessed the crash, said he heard the plane's engine sputter before the ship left the formation in a spin. The two bodies were taken to Bakersfield.

VOX

Plays Saturday and Sunday
TWO HITS

Walter Pidgeon
Joan Bennett
George Sanders
in

"MAN HUNT"

HIT NO. 2



NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16—The Russians have long maintained a brave public front about their ability to hold Moscow, while quietly making arrangements to remove their government to Stalingrad, and bulwark a new line in front of it from the Arctic to the Black sea.

The cat has been kept carefully in the bag, but anyone who has followed the movements of our Moscow ambassador, Laurence A. Steinhardt, in Russia lately, or in fact the steps of top soviet officials, could have had the secret. Mr. Steinhardt was due back in the United States some days ago. His failure to return has been officially attributed by the state department to pressing negotiations over shipments of American war materials to the reds. That story was rather thin in view of the number of American officials in Moscow directly charged with those negotiations. Actually Mr. Steinhardt went to Stalingrad to lease a house for the establishment of an American embassy in the new soviet capital, around 400 miles southeastward.

FORTIFIED ZONE
Militant soviet restrictions since long before the war have kept well guarded the extent of the fortifications around Moscow. But even back in peace time a certain American official noted a 40 kilometer fortified zone of considerable depth in one quarter on the west side of the city.

The red plan will be to hold this fortified area around the city even if the nazis move east of it, but Hitler will hardly be able to proceed further than Yaroslavl to the northeast and Ayazan to the southeast. From Yaroslavl north a line to the Arctic ocean should be maintained by the Russians in front of a rail line connecting with the Volga river. Transportation along the Volga south to Stalingrad can be conducted well back of the newly selected front.

U. S. LOSS IF

STALIN SIGNS TRUCE
The British have been moving in through Iran and the Caucasus in considerable strength to help establish the southern portion of the new front.

There are authorities here who are worried about Stalin accepting a truce when he digs in behind his new front. In such case millions of dollars worth of valuable American war materials on their way to Archangel might fall into German hands.

Others are skeptical of Stalin's ability to maintain the Moscow defenses more than 10 days or a few weeks.

These individual doubts, however, have in no way relaxed the determination of the administration to push through as much aid as possible to keep the reds fighting. Some convincing assurances to quell the doubts have probably been received higher up here.

JAPS CHANGE MINDS

Lack of news lately on the Tokyo-Washington front can be traced to a newly discovered sympathetic attitude of Japanese diplomats toward the United States. A very high Japanese authority has offered the declaration that Tokyo's interest in Berlin has been definitely dropped. He suggested an amicable understanding could be reached with the United States if Japan's seized interest in China could be guaranteed and economic relief could be obtained from us.

While the authority for the declaration was high enough to evoke interest here, it also inspired a few smiles in view of our established policy toward China.

Some minor talking has been done back and forth along these lines without developments.

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SIDE GLANCES



"You'll have to bring your mother in, Johnny, if you want a haircut like Butch's—I won't stay in business a while longer!"

Harold F. McCormick, Son Of Reaper Inventor, Dies

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Oct. 17 (UP)—Harold F. McCormick, who built up the International Harvester company into one of the largest farm implement concerns in the world, died at his home yesterday after a long illness. He was 69 years old.

McCormick, son of Cyrus H. McCormick, who invented the reaper and founded the harvester company, had been ill for years from a recurring heart ailment and arthritis. His personal physician, Dr. Donald Frick, said the actual cause of death, however, was a cerebral hemorrhage.

Three years ago he married his nurse, Adah Wilson of Los Angeles, who at the time was 34 years old and 22 years younger than he.

The third Mrs. McCormick was at the bedside today when McCormick passed away. She had accompanied him here last July from Chicago when the millionaire had to be taken from the train in a wheelchair because of his condition.

Although he held the title of chairman of the board of directors of the harvester company, McCormick was not actively associated with the firm since his illness, permitting his son, Fowler McCormick, as president of the organization, to be its active head.

Fowler McCormick was his son by his first wife, Edith Rockefeller McCormick, daughter of the late John D. Rockefeller. The marriage in 1895 united two of America's richest families. They continued happily married until 1921 when Mrs. McCormick divorced him on grounds of incompatibility.

McCormick was the father of four children by that first marriage. They are Fowler, Muriel, Harold Jr., and Mathilde. A year following the divorce, McCormick married Mrs. Ganna Walska, opera singer. He spent a fortune sponsoring her operatic endeavors and then divorced her seven years after their marriage on a desertion charge.

McCormick met his third wife in southern California while on

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POWER HELD PARTNER OF RECLAMATION

PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 17 (AP)—Power has full partnership with reclamation, declared John C. Page, federal reclamation commissioner, in summarizing the accomplishments of his agency and outlining a future course.

Addressing the convention of the National Reclamation association Thursday, he said: "Power must not be hamstrung in shouldering its responsibility of bearing a full share of the cost of reclamation by control of its distribution by monopolistic interests. When steam plants and transmission lines are necessary to carry out this responsibility, they must be built. The water users and the power consumers must not be made to pay excessive charges for their irrigation water and their power because of our negligence to protect them."

The bureau of reclamation, the commissioner said, cast up totals of potential irrigation and power projects in order to see what the future of the west might hold.

"The tremendous total of 9,000,000 kilowatts could be supplied by construction of reclamation projects," he declared. "This new power capacity under favorable conditions could be made available year by year, and completed by 1947."

"Nearly 20,000,000 acres are not irrigated, about 2,500,000 acres additional will be served by projects under construction, and about 20,000,000 acres more, apparently, can be irrigated before all western waters are beneficially used. In my opinion this means that the west is less than one-half built today."

Crop returns from reclamation projects in 1940 exceeded \$117,000,000, Page reported. On the assumption that "food will win the war and write the peace," he declared that these projects will feed their share and more of democracy's defenders.

But, he added, power is needed, and today reclamation more than ever before means power. "Seventeen power plants with combined capacities of more than 1,000,000 kilowatts are in operation as parts of federal reclamation projects. Last year reclamation plants produced more than four billion kilowatt-hours of electric energy."

He pointed to Grand Coulee dam, where "Just ten days ago, 150,000 horsepower was added for defense. . . . The construction of the dam kept skills bright and factories in readiness for the emergency now confronting us. Completion of the powerhouse meets just in time the rising curve of our need for energy in defense."

If the wisdom of multiple use of western water resources, which creates power as well as homes, farms and food, needs further demonstration, he declared, that demonstration now is being given.

Small Building Destroyed by Fire

Fire early today destroyed an old one-story building on Klamath avenue between Ninth and Eleventh streets. The little building was used by a bottle dealer, and residents in cabins at the rear said the place was stacked high with used bottles.

Firemen doused the blaze a few minutes after 12:30 a. m., but the frame structure was a total loss.

The proverbial banker is not an optimist.—Charles F. Palmer, co-ordinator of defense housing.

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Latin America to Get Funds Under Lend-Lease Bill

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (AP)—Latin-American nations will get approximately \$150,000,000 in aid for the construction of defense bases and other military purposes, authoritative quarters said today, if congress approves the pending lend-lease bill.

Admiral Harold R. Stark, chief of naval operations, was said to have mentioned the program when he outlined plans for strengthening hemisphere defenses during his testimony yesterday at a closed session of the senate appropriations subcommittee which is considering the legislation.

Stark, it was reported, urged upon the committee the necessity of approving allocations of \$100,000,000 to be spent by the army and \$50,000,000 by the navy in Latin-American countries in order to meet any eventualities that might arise.

The admiral was described as looking upon such expenditures as cheap insurance against possible Nazi inroads in the southern part of this hemisphere.

Woman Injured In Auto Accident

Mrs. Fred A. Ross, 20, Pelican City, was in Klamath Valley hospital suffering from injuries and shock as the result of an automobile accident which occurred at 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning near the Pastega store on the old highway near Pelican City.

Driver of the other car, Walter J. Nelson, millworker, filed a report with the sheriff's office, in which he stated Mrs. Ross made a left hand turn onto the highway and the cars collided. Her condition was not serious.

FUNERAL

EDGAR LEWIS FURBER

The funeral service for the late Edgar Lewis Furber, who passed away at his late residence near Midland, Ore., on Wednesday, October 16, will take place from the chapel of Ward's Klamath Funeral Home, 925 High street, on Saturday, October 18, at 2 p. m. The Rev. Victor Phillips of the First Methodist church officiating. Commitment service and interment in the family plot in the Linkville cemetery. Friends are respectfully invited to attend.

HOBBO HEAVEN

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., Oct. 17 (UP)—Hobbes have found "The Big Rock Candy Mountain" in Santa Cruz orchards, the county farm adviser's office said today. Orchardists set out pans of beer to attract and drown wood moths, but so far the moths have been getting little of the beer.

Poe Valley

Alan Vogt was a shopper in Klamath Falls from here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holmes and son Leroy of Malin, were visitors in the valley Saturday.

Ray Freuer was a visitor at the Nork home Sunday afternoon.

Hallie Haynes is building a house for Ernest Brethaupt, who is planning to be married in the near future.

Mary Louise Haines visited with Mary Lou House Saturday afternoon. Mary Lou is suffering from an infected heel.

The Holzhauser brothers have been threshing near Bonanza the last few days.

Mrs. Bean took a trip to California this week to visit relatives and friends.

Hank Holzhauser built a new granary this fall.

It does no good to talk about your cold—but it does a lot of good if you keep it to yourself.

Japs Arrested In Attempt to Smuggle Gems

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 17 (UP)—Three Japanese merchants were arrested Thursday by federal agents for the attempted smuggling of uncut industrial diamonds to Japan where they are needed to build cutting tools for Nippon's war machine.

The FBI agents said the three Japanese handled diamonds valued at more than \$50,000, most of which were smuggled to Japan aboard Japanese ships touching at Pacific coast ports.

The men taken into custody today were listed as Kenkichi Takahashi, 52, importer and exporter; Marau Nakauichi, 45, dry goods store operator; and Kichiro Takizawa, 37, commission merchant.

Federal Prisoners
The specific charge against the three men was they conspired to violate provisions of a presidential proclamation of July 2, 1940, which ordered exporters to obtain licenses from the state department when dealing with certain essential defense materials.

Federal agents charged the three men failed to get the licenses and also they smuggled at least \$6000 worth of diamonds out of San Francisco by a passenger aboard a Japanese ship last July.

Time government investigators reported they had recovered \$15,000 worth of industrial diamonds from Nakauichi's dry goods store in Gardena, a small community midway between Los Angeles and the harbor.

The Japanese were booked as federal prisoners at the county jail and held in lieu of \$10,000 bail each. They indicated an attempt would be made to post the bond later.

Man Dies of Burns After Cabin Razed

DORRIS—Fire late Wednesday destroyed the Thistlewaite cabin in the Harry Moore group about two miles east of Dorris and claimed the life of Frank Gallagher. The fire was discovered burning and spectators attracted to the scene dragged Gallagher from the burning building which was soon a pile of ashes.

Gallagher was taken to Merrill to his wife, then to Gray hospital at Dorris, and later in the Yreka hospital, where he died of burns a few hours afterward.

The victim is survived by a widow and five children. He was a World War veteran and a member of the Butte Valley Post No. 427, American Legion.

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