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NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, March 12—Donald Nelson is not one to let sore situations lie around festering. He called in CIO's Phil Murray and AFL's William Green last Saturday for a quiet conference about his idea of labor-management committees to further the "more production drive."

Mr. Nelson said this was strictly a war measure. The committees should not take up collective bargaining phases, wage and hour grievances or anything except ways of expanding production.

Messrs. Murray and Green agreed this was their understanding of his purposes and promised to pass the word down the labor line. They professed to be as uneasy about the possibility of management edging into labor's sphere through the Nelson arrangement as management is vice versa.

STILL A QUESTION

Whether this, plus Nelson's speech explaining his purpose will be enough to dispel management suspicions is the only remaining question. Everyone has confidence in Nelson personally. An auto manufacturer (not in the big three) came in to ask him what he was up to in his labor-management committee scheme. The auto man said he would put two CIO men on his board of directors if necessary, to win the war, but that he already had a joint harmony committee. Nelson told him WPB would be satisfied with any arrangement which enabled it to get ideas from the workers about expanding production. He went away satisfied.

NEARSIGHTED

Some government officials (not Nelson) are developing a nearsighted and dangerous tendency to attribute to an reporter who publishes criticism, the personal instigation of that criticism. It seems to make them happier to believe the only one in the U. S. who is criticizing their handiwork is the newsman who in this instance again was only an agent for expressing business hesitancy which would have injured success of the drive.

Only justification for reporting objections to government policy in this war is to iron out differences and establish unity, confidence and efficiency. A constructive plan seems to have been started rolling in this labor-management committee instance as in many another.

SUB RE-FUELING

Suspicious Nazi traffic has been noted around the Cape Verde islands, off Africa, and the story is going round that the axis is using them as refueling bases for these subs attacking our coast.

Every previous search for refueling bases in the Caribbean or for mother ships, has proved futile. It is still doubted that the subs need close refueling bases, although they may be picking up torpedoes and ammunition somewhere outside axis waters.

Germany is reported to have nearly 300 submarines, some still building, Italy around 80. The Vichy French had 59 built and 22 building and the Nazis have no doubt stolen the 22 building, if not some of the built. So it looks like we are faced with a possible Atlantic fleet of about 400 undersea boats—enough to challenge any patrol for a long time.

The army reorganization swept high, as promised. But so many passive officers have been swept upstairs that the second story is getting a little crowded. The army high command shows a disposition to save the personal feelings of officers by avoiding the process of retirement. This is natural, but soon they may have to start dropping them off the roof into private life. Even the attic is getting filled now.

SIDE GLANCES



"She says she's wearing those red cotton stockings for national defense, but I know it's just to call attention to her legs."

Air Control Beat Dutch, Reports Hart

WASHINGTON, Mar. 12 (UP)—Admiral Thomas C. Hart, former chief of the United Nations naval forces in the Far East, said yesterday Japan's unbroken control of the air was primarily responsible for the allied defeat in the southwest Pacific.

Bluntly declaring the enemy had won that "campaign"—but not the war—he said the Japanese paid a great price for their victory; that their ship losses and limited replacement capacity "are bound to be subject for his future concern."

By comparison, he said, allied losses—with the exception of the British dreadnaughts Prince of Wales and Repulse—"are not serious."

The wiry little admiral, who recently asked to be relieved of his command because of illness, brought back from the war theater the encouraging word that "much" of the American Asiatic fleet, which is under his command, still remains for the fight against the enemy.

In the first official account of how and why the Japanese juggernaut rolled to victory, Hart said the allied naval forces—which "were not large" and which consisted largely of American ships—were handicapped by the Japanese aerial superiority.

A "severe" blow to the allied ping them off the roof into private life. Even the attic is getting filled now.

WPB announced one day the banning of gold and silver mines from priorities for machinery for repair and maintenance (under preference rating order No. 56.) Apparently they were not considered essential. Next day it announced it did not mean they would be cut off. It was then ordered that only mines whose production consists of gold and silver to more than 30 per cent of total dollar volume (hence not lead, zinc and copper) would suffer. But even these would get an A-10 rating and insiders attribute the major alteration to Republican Gov. Carr of Colorado who burned the wires to Washington with accounts of what a complete denial of priorities would do to his region economically.

Another unique reason for a war-time strike in a defense industry has been reported to a government department. AFL workers at an Ohio bronze factory called a strike because the parking lot provided for them was muddy. Several loads of cinders were brought in to make the workers return to the ship apportionments they were making under a navy contract.

Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 500 words in length, must be written on ONE SIDE of the paper only, and must be signed. Contributions following these rules, are warmly welcome.

MORE ON ALIENS

MERRILL, Ore. (TO THE EDITOR)—I have waited two weeks to see if anybody else had something to say about alien camps. It seems Frank Elmer was the only one that thought the alien camps were a poor policy for our community. He told me directly that I'm wrong and tells us where and where he has been and done last war. No one should brag about himself and then say in plain words he is afraid to fight again after not accomplishing anything before. For if we would have wiped out Germany in last war there would be no Hitlerism now. We wouldn't have to be afraid that Japs will do this or that. Our question still stands—what shall we do with the aliens?

Why worry what they may do in our vicinity, when we really know the same thing would be done in other states? Why send them to middle states, thousands of them, to divide eastern states from western states? And again, to every 1000 of aliens about 250 of our army men to watch over them. Four of them to one of us. No fence, no wall can hold them without sufficient army men to watch. It has been proven that no criminal can be held under the best of supervision. Why feed them and give them a chance to reorganize?

The attitude we feel towards our country is the attitude of our life. In other words let's not dodge the work that is ours. Let us go into this heartily. Every true American should share his share of work without trying to slip more work on the other party. Volunteers are needed. And it should be us here in the west more than ever, for we are the ones that's to suffer sooner than middle state people. It doesn't make no difference who is to fire the shot that will kill the enemy as long as he is dead, if we must kill.

FUNERAL

JACKSON L. GLYNN
Funeral service for the late Jackson Lockwood Glynn, who passed away at the Klamath agency on Monday, March 9, will take place from the chapel of Ward's Klamath funeral home, 925 High street, on Friday, March 13 at 10:30 a. m. Rev. J. C. Orr of the Immanuel Baptist church officiating. Commitment service and interment in Linkville cemetery. Friends are respectfully invited to attend.

According to a statistical analysis prepared by the civil aeronautic administration, 1,269,231 miles were flown per accident by private flying operators during 1940.

Michigan's iron mines furnished 22 per cent of the domestic iron ore used by the American steel industry in the past 20 years.

49,700 NAZIS KILLED BY REDS

LONDON, Thursday, March 12 (UP)—The red army reported today that in a tremendous offensive on the Kalinin front north-west of Moscow the Russians killed 49,700 German officers and men and recaptured 161 localities between February 5 and March 8.

Earlier Moscow reports of the fruits of the sustained drive on the Kalinin front said soviet troops had smashed through the German winter line which Hitler, on a visit to that sector recently, personally ordered held at all cost.

The so-called Kalinin front lies at least 200 miles west of the town of Kalinin, carrying the name with it when the red army drove the Germans back on a broad front to the Velikie Luki-Lake Limen meridian.

The Moscow radio announced the new success in a special communique of the soviet high command.

It followed reports of wide spread soviet successes from end to end of the battlefield, including the cutting of the Smolensk-Vyazma highway in a thrust which tightened the drawing on the bottleneck of the German salient looping northeast to Rzhev.

Violent battles of encirclement and annihilation raged all along the central and northern fronts, with Gen. Kurachkin's red army threatening to cut off the German siege force below Leningrad after breaking through the enemy lines, recapturing 17 localities and destroying 39 fortified points.

Wyazma, 135 miles west of Moscow and 100 miles east of Smolensk, was reported virtually encircled by the southern claw of a pincer nipping off the German salient and menacing the last two main enemy bases on the central front.

WATER VS. AIR

Water pressure on the body at 33 feet below the surface is the same as air pressure on the body at sea level—15 pounds per square inch.

Benches did who now isn't even allowed to go back to Czechoslovakia or he would be hung. So once more I say bring some of them here and I'll do my share of spilling blood even if it must be my own.

Yours truly,
MRS. ANNA BAILEY.

Men of the production line dare do no less than men of the battle line.—War Production Board Donald M. Nelson.

Klamath's Yesterdays

From the files—40 years ago and 10 years ago.

From the Klamath Republican March 13, 1902

George Harris, medicine man, was shot with a rifle and killed near Alturas last Tuesday. The slayer is supposed to be Brown Dorris (Indian) and he has been lodged in jail. Harris was doctoring a sick squaw and she died. Dorris was told that Harris killed the squaw and procured his rifle and killed the doctor. However, Dorris claims that Big-Mouthed Charlie killed the medicine man.

Messrs. August and Charles Liskey, two prosperous ranchers in the Dairy district, were visitors in Klamath Falls yesterday.

A drunken jeweler did some indiscriminate shooting in a saloon at Medford last week and was fined \$25.

From the Evening Herald March 12, 1932

The serious auto accident at Esplanade streets and the tracks was followed today by widespread discussion of various means of removing the hazard which exists at this point.

A city-wide repair and clean-up drive is underway.

Courthouse Records WEDNESDAY Complaints Filed

Fern M. Wicker versus Elvin P. Wicker. Suit for divorce. Couple married on March 10, 1935. Plaintiff charges cruel and inhuman treatment and asks custody of minor children and the sum of \$10 a month from the defendant for care of minors. A. C. Yaden, attorney for plaintiff.

Justice Court
Glenn C. Myers, no tail light. Fined \$5.00.

Franklin J. Smith, no operators license. Fined \$5.50.

Thomas W. Wilson, one headlight. Fined \$5.50, suspended.

George C. Burger, no operators license. Fined \$5.50.

Fred A. Bliss, no warning device. Fined \$5.50.

Harry Dalton, drunk on a public highway. Fined \$10 or 5 days, committed.

Thomas L. Calhoun, drunk on a public highway. Fined \$10 or 5 days, committed.

An eastern doctor would like to have face-lifting banned. Wouldn't the ladies' faces fall if that happened!

When Both Boards Act

ON all matters relating to both elementary and high schools, the local school boards are operating on what amounts to a bicameral system, like the legislature. One board initiates an action, but it is not completed until the other group acts.

This raises a question of publicity upon the matters before the boards. The theory evidently held by school officials thus far is that announcement of an action is not made until it is completed by both boards.

That policy was followed in connection this week with the selection of Andrew J. Loney of La Grande as director of music in the public schools for next year. The high school board met on Monday night, acted upon the Loney matter, and turned it over to the city school board which met on Wednesday evening for final consideration.

All actions of the high school board pertaining strictly to high school matters were announced after the Monday meeting, but not the Loney election, because final action on that had to wait for the city board meeting.

This, also, was a matter of personnel, and that brings up the question of the propriety of public announcement that an individual is being considered for a position as long as there exists the possibility the final action may not be taken.

Ordinarily, it would not make much difference. On this matter, however, there is considerable public interest, and it is possible there are those who would have liked to have been heard at the Wednesday night meeting before final action was taken. If the partial action had been announced, they would have had sufficient advance notice.

This is not intended as criticism of anybody. Anyone present at the first meeting, including newspaper reporters, would have witnessed the partial action in a public session. The meeting was not attended by outsiders, and school officials, in making the announcement of action at the meeting, followed the theory of withholding announcement of the matter on which final action had not been taken by both boards.

Newspapers and school officials alike may well consider the advisability of revising policy in this connection and reporting even partially completed action on matters pertaining to both school districts.

A new and rather unusual situation exists here, because of the new system of sound cooperation between the two boards, and such problems as this one must be worked out as they develop. What is intended in this piece is a frank explanation of what happened on one of them.

ALLIES STILL FIGHT IN JAVA

MELBOURNE, March 12 (UP)—Lieut. Governor General Hubertus J. Van Mook of the Netherlands East Indies said yesterday it would take the Japanese 6 months to restore wrecked oil wells and a year to rebuild the great Soerabaja naval base in Java where he estimated some 5000 American, British and Australian troops still were fighting.

Dutch and allied troops undoubtedly are carrying on the fight probably in guerrilla fashion—in the mountainous country east and west of Bandoeng, temporary capital and military headquarters where an armistice has been declared, and in some parts of eastern Java as well as on most other islands in the Indies archipelago, he said.

Not Out of War

Continuing to Canberra from here, Van Mook discussed with Australian service chiefs the best means of using whatever Dutch forces are evacuated from

Java and Sumatra. After an interview with Premier John Curtin he said that considerable forces, particularly from the navy and air force, had escaped from the Indies and that when they were reorganized they would "resume the fight."

"It can be taken as definite that we are not out of the war," he said.

He again advocated appointment of a supreme leader, saying "Let us choose a first-class man and hand over the conduct of the war to him."

Australian newspapers have recommended Gen. Douglas MacArthur for such an assignment.

Among the Java defenders, Van Mook said in a press conference before leaving for Canberra, are 3000 Australians and 2000 British and Americans. At first, the English-speaking troops were grouped together for "convenience" but now all troops are operating independently "because they had orders not to obey any commands coming from authorities who had fallen into the hands of the Japs."

One ounce of radium is the product of 14,000 tons of ore.

FUNNY BUSINESS



"I got tired of trying to grow hair, so I grafted on some ivy"

(RAINBOW)

Ends Today
George Montgomery
in
"ACCENT ON LOVE"
and
"GOLD RACKET"

2 BIG HITS

Friday and Saturday
A Grand Spy-Ring Picture
"MAN AT LARGE"
and
Tom Keene
in
"WESTERN MAIL"

★ (PINETREE) ★
LAST TIMES TODAY!
Dorothy DURBIN - Charles LAUGHTON
with ROBERT CUMMINGS
"It Started with Eve"

COMING FRIDAY
THE MOST SHOCKING PICTURE OF THE YEAR!
BETTY GRABLE
VICTOR MATURE
CAROLE LANDIS
I WAKE UP SCREAMING
From STEVE FISHER'S SHOCK-NATIONAL NOVEL!
Laird CREGAR - William GARGAN
Eddie Foy in "Country Fair"
Alan MOWBRAY - Allyn JOSLYN

POLICAN NOW PLAYING (and we mean PLAYING!)
IT'S GOT A NEW DESIGN FOR LAUGHING... with the classiest, wackiest cast of the year!
KAY KYSER
PLAYMATES
JOHN BARRYMORE
LUPE VELEZ
GINNY SIMMS
MAY ROBSON
PATSY KELLY
KAY KYSER'S BAND
Added Attractions: Rolling Rhythm, Latest News, Micky's Birthday Party