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In The Day's News

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IN the preceding article of this series, this writer went out on a limb and predicted a strong swing to communism throughout Europe. That naturally raises this question: If Europe is going communist, how much has Russia got to do with it?

That question is easily asked, but isn't so easily answered. In Germany, where our people are rubbing up against her constantly, Russia is still as much of a mystery as in America, which is a long way off.

RUSSIA'S policy in that part of Germany which is her zone tends clearly toward communism, for she is stripping Germany of everything useful. What she takes, she HAULS HOME, to be used in the restoration of her own war-ravaged areas.

The colder and hungrier the Germans get, the less they have to occupy their hands, the more they will be inclined to turn to communism, at least as a TEMPORARY solution. There are plenty of people who suspect that the Russian policy is intended to accomplish just that.

Still, you can't be certain. You can't say flatly: "This is IT." For the Russians are making no overt move toward establishment of their system in that part of Germany. They are just going realistically about the job of stripping the country of everything that can be useful to them.

They may be thinking no farther than that. They are assuredly not blueprinting their political intentions.

THIS is the thinking about Russia that prevails among intelligent Americans and British: If Stalin decides (he apparently will do the deciding) that Russia is big enough now, that she has problems enough within her own borders to keep her busy for a couple of generations, that she has had enough war to last her quite awhile and that so far as she is concerned, it will be something for HOME USE rather than for EXPORT, we shall be able to get along with Russia admirably in the future.

If, on the other hand, she decides upon a program of spreading her communist system throughout the world—well, in that event, nothing but trouble lies ahead. But as yet there are no plain signs in the sky that such a program is in the making. And the agreement that was reached between the Chungking Chinese and Moscow, which promptly brought the Chinese communists to Chungking, with their hats in their hands and carrying a program for burying the hatchet, doesn't look like Russian communism rampant and bent upon enveloping the world.

About all we can do in regard to Russia is to wait and hope for the best—meaning keeping ourselves strong.

THIS writer is still greatly impressed by the Russian watch buyers in Berlin (described in a recent column.) If that means what it SEEMS to mean—that is, that Russians are just as intent (Continued on Page Three)

Soldier Hugs Railroad Ties For Dear Life
CANON CITY, Colo., Oct. 9 (AP)—Pvt. Martin J. Pendergast of Butte, Mont., flattened himself on railroad ties in Canon City with greater determination than he ever hugged a foxhole in 39 months of European warfare.

On his way to Salt Lake City Monday night for discharge he got off a Rio Grande troop train to stretch. As he tried to board the moving train he fell between the wheels.

Four cars passed over him. Two women, the only persons aware of his plight found him, seized, cut and bruised. Treated at a hospital, he continued his trip by bus.

JAP PREMIER SAYS GUILTY MEN WILL PAY

Yank Soldiers Mount Guard Over Nip Treasure

TOKYO, Oct. 9 (AP)—Aged Premier Kijuro Shidehara, in his first broadcast to the people of Japan, declared today that Japanese "government officials who have trampled the rights of the people in the past" would receive severe punishment. In another part of the capital American soldiers mounted guard over Japan's reserves of gold, silver and platinum valued at more than \$250,000,000.

"Regrettable Points"
The new premier's radio message to his people followed a press conference with foreign correspondents at which he admitted there were "several regrettable points" in Japan's share in the Pacific war, but that he was "not prepared to discuss" whether Japan was guilty of starting the hostilities.

Shidehara told the people of Japan that he had accepted the premiership "as my last service to my country," and pleaded with them for unity to assist his government in the severe economic struggle ahead.

"The kind of the military clique and bureaucrats on political power has been broken and all politics and economics will be determined by the will of the (Continued on Page Two)

CRIPPLED KF GIRL BUMPED FROM BUS

Donna Mae Eacret, 11, has had enough of postwar travel. Headed for the Shrine hospital for crippled children, Portland, Donna and her mother were put off their bus at Eugene when the Pacific Greyhound strike was called. Boarding a train, they were delayed at Oregon City while track crews cleared a right-of-way blocked by an earlier freight train smashup.

A passing motorist delivered them to the hospital.

Donna Mae is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Eacret, 3055 Lodi. For some time she has received treatment from the crippled children's clinic sponsored by the Klamath county health unit. She was recommended for surgery at Shrine hospital due to an old injury to the right foot, according to Dr. Peter H. Rozendal, Klamath county health officer.

Murder Charge Brought Against Society Matron

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 9 (AP)—Mrs. Annie Irene Mansfield, 45, auburn-haired society matron, was today charged by a coroner's jury with the murder of pretty Mrs. Vada Martin, a nurse, whom she suspected of having an affair with Dr. John H. Mansfield.

The once-beautiful and talented Mrs. Mansfield sat slumped in a chair quietly moaning "my poor children," as witnesses told the jury that she admitted pressing a revolver to the breast of the nurse and shooting her through the heart after accusing the nurse of having a love affair with the doctor.

Five Killed, Thirty Hurt In Bus-Truck Crash



At least five persons were killed and 30 others injured in the crash of a navy bus and an army truck near Petaluma, Calif. Two persons view the crushed front end of the bus. (AP wire photo).

Nimitz Cheered By Millions In Typical Broadway Welcome

NEW YORK, Oct. 9 (AP)—Cheered by millions, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz rode through wind-whipped paper storms on Broadway today and then told an assemblage at city hall that never again should the United States "risk the threat which weakness invites."

Chief Police Inspector John J. O'Connell estimated 4,000,000 persons acclaimed the Pacific hero on his triumphal, 22-mile motor ride from LaGuardia airport to city hall and then up Fifth avenue to the Waldorf Astoria.

At city hall, the admiral received the city's Gold Medal of Honor and was made an honorary citizen of New York.

It was the first official reception extended by the city to a naval hero since Admiral George Dewey took New York by storm in 1898.

Nimitz Speaks
Outside city hall, standing on a platform built in the form of the prow of a ship and painted navy blue, Nimitz told a crowd estimated at 350,000:

"We must make certain now and for the future that the peace is secure. We must remain strong. We must retain adequate (Continued on Page Two)

Armistice Day Parade Slated

A Victory Day parade, welcoming home veterans of this war, will be one of the main features of the Armistice Day parade to be held here Monday, November 12.

Various service organizations will participate in the parade as will the high school band, marines from the Marine Barracks and the marine band.

PIERRE LVAL CONDEMNED TO DIE FOR ACTS

Little Time Taken By Jury To Seal Doom Of Traitor

PARIS, Oct. 9 (AP)—Pierre Laval was condemned to death tonight for intelligence with the enemy and attacking the security of France.

The former Vichy chief of government, who before the war was three times premier of France, had boycotted the trial after the opening days and had been confined to a dungeon beneath the palace of justice.

A jury of 12 members of parliament and 12 from the resistance movement took little time to seal the doom of the man accused of treason. The same court during the summer condemned former Marshal Petain, Laval's superior in the Vichy regime, but Gen. De Gaulle commuted the sentence to life imprisonment.

Mornet Asks Death
Andre Mornet, gray bearded prosecutor of former Marshal Petain and the first world war spy Mata Hari, asked death for Laval and declared frankly that the strange hearing was a political trial.

"The evidence of witnesses in a trial is not indispensable when the criminal's own declarations, his decrees and his actions condemn him," Mornet said. He recalled Laval's radio statement that "I desire a German victory."

He said Laval's name had become synonymous with collaboration.

The French council of ministers discussed the case at a lengthy, secret session with Gen. De Gaulle, but there was no indication that the government would interfere. Information Minister Jacques Soustelle said the ministers had found that the case was proceeding according to law.

GENERAL PATCH TO SHOOT DUCKS HERE

Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch, who as commander of the 7th army in Italy, France and Germany, picked off the enemy in a series of brilliant maneuvers, will try his head-eye on Klamath basin ducks this weekend.

Gen. Patch is slated to arrive Sunday accompanied by General Julian Smith of the United States marine corps, Admiral Charles Washburn Crosse, United States navy, Joe Tobin of the Hibernia National bank, San Francisco, and Tod Powell, San Francisco Chronicle sports writer.

That's One Way

LONG BEACH, Calif., Oct. 9 (AP)—Transportation is no problem for 118 furloughed sailors—they chartered five airliners!

Their share-the-ride flight, enabling them to spend as much time at home as possible, starts today and will terminate at New York. Intermediate stopovers en route will let men off nearest their homes.

The planes will head westward from New York November 2, picking up the men at designated points. The sailors are from the USS Astoria.

Surprise Move Takes Pickets From 2 Plants

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 9 (AP) Striking AFL lumber workers, continuing their mobile picket tactic, closed five Olympia, Wash., plants today but allowed Portland's CIO mills to reopen.

Three Olympia sawmills and two veneer plants ceased operation after their 900 CIO workers refused to pass pickets whose oil-cloth slip-overs said: "We're striking for \$1.10 an hour. Do you want to work for 90 cents?"

CIO leaders at Olympia went into a huddle to determine future action.

Surprise Move
This city's CIO lumber mills reopened today as the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers, in a surprise move, failed to send out pickets to the plants.

The AFL union, which has threatened to close down the entire lumber industry in support of its five-state strike, declined to say whether pickets would be sent out again later.

Two of Portland's largest sawmills—Inman-Poulsen and Eastern and Western, employing a total of 425 men—were prepared for return of the AFL pickets who forced plant closure yesterday.

But the CIO workmen marched in, with no pickets in sight, and operations resumed in full scale.

Closures Promised
But while fears of inter union clashes dissipated here for today, the president of the AFL Northwest Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers warned that more plant-closures were to come.

"We demonstrated to the operators yesterday what we could do, and are going to keep on doing so long as they continue a lockout against us and refuse to negotiate," said John M. Christenson.

The term "lockout" apparently referred to the union's contention that it was forced to strike by operators' refusal to negotiate on an industry-wide basis.

"Our fight is not with the rank and file of the CIO, and we do not want violence," Christenson said. "They should be out on the picket lines with us, fighting against unjust wages."

He warned that "what happened in Portland is going to occur in other parts of Oregon, for any lumber now being produced by the operators to break our strike."

He also warned that the union would ask carpenters in every state to refuse to work "hot" lumber if such action was necessary.

He said there has been no offer by the operators of AFL mills to accept the AFL demands of \$1.10 hourly minimum, except at five of the more than 300 mills now shut down for a third week.

"We can put the clamp on state by state," the AFL leader declared. "Carpenters would refuse to handle Douglas fir, hemlock, cedar and western spruce, freezing a major portion of the nation's construction industry."

Virgil Burtz, international vice president of the CIO International Woodworkers of America, charged AFL lumber workers' leadership was "irresponsible." He was answering a statement by AFL President Christenson.

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Modesto Girl Murdered By Former Swain

MODESTO, Calif., Oct. 9 (AP) Dorothy Wills, 18, was killed by a pistol bullet as she slept today, and the man to whom she once was engaged died several hours later with a bullet in his head.

Coroner J. K. Ransom said Robert Ball, 25, of McGill, Nev., shot the girl through the temple at the home of her parents, whom he was visiting.

The ex-soldier, formerly a patient at the army's Hammond General hospital here, then turned the little pistol to his own head, Ransom declared.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morris Wills, parents of the girl, said Dorothy, a college student, and Ball once had been engaged to marry, but that she broke the engagement.

Tearful Germans Complain Of Treatment From Poles

SABRSZE, Poland, Oct. 9 (AP) A throng of tearful Germans surrounded the automobile of U. S. Ambassador Arthur Bliss Lane today in this former German Silesian city of Hindenburg, crying that the Poles were forcing them to speak Polish, starving them and deporting them to the Reich.

A middle-aged woman who said she lived in the United States years ago grasped Lane's arm and pleaded for help. She declared that this was Germany and she did not want to leave her home.

"Don't put your hands on me," she sobbed.

Strikes At A Glance

By The Associated Press
Labor disputes across the country keep about 425,000 workers away from their jobs, compared to record 1945 high of 550,000 last week.

Main disputes:
Coal—177,000 coal miners out of more than 875 pits in six states in 18th day of shutdown, additional steel mills close; Secretary Schweitzer says prospects "brighter" as management-labor conferences continue.

Shipping—New York port, world's busiest, jammed with unmoved freight and ships in ninth day of dock strikes; place embargo on all freight shipments for export.

Motion pictures—Striking movie workers, after second outbreak of violence in which scores hurt, summoned back to picket lines as tension mounts in 8-month-old AFL jurisdictional dispute.

Automotive—No major work stoppages in Detroit for first time in six weeks but CIO Auto Workers union, seeking 30 per cent wage rate increase in auto industry, has filed NLRB strike vote in "Big Three"—Ford, General Motors, Chrysler.

Lumber—Striking AFL lumber union presses to spread stoppages as 61,000 remain out third week.

LOGGING CUT COMPLETED IN FOREST AREAS

Klamath Pine company has completed its season's operations in the Rogue River national forest, Laurence Shaw of Klamath Falls, superintendent, said today.

Logging operations were done by Greer Drew and John Heriza in the vicinity of Fort Klamath, where approximately 13-million feet of fir and pine were cut during the season. The logs are being sawed at the old Wheeler pine mill on Upper Klamath lake, Shaw said.

Big Lumber operations in the vicinity of Chinochele have completed cutting on national forest timber near Scott creek in Rogue river forest. Camp has been moved to the Seven-mile area, west of Fort Klamath, and operations have begun on a 27-million foot block of national forest timber in that vicinity.

Camp construction is about (Continued on Page Two)

COMMUNITY FUND DRIVE PROGRESSES

Two additional Klamath Falls firms reported 100 per cent participation in the Community Fund campaign and contributions averaged one day's pay from all employees. The firms were Lost River Dairy and New Method Cleaners. The first firm to report in was Fluhrer's Bakery.

Wednesday at noon in the Willard hotel, all captains and as many workers as possible, are urged to meet to make their first reports on progress of the campaign. The goal is \$75,000, and Tuesday morning some \$16,000 had been garnered by workers throughout the city and county.

Workers were asked to report to captains immediately, and especially to call in any 100 per cent firms. Those having money on hand are asked to turn over any contributions they have to their captains in order to bring the report up-to-date.

the ambassador warned. "This is Poland."

While the Germans stood in a beating rainstorm, Lane told them:

"I have been at the embassy in Warsaw two months. What I have seen there—where you Germans went house to house dynamiting, burning and destroying the whole city—is a crime against civilization. I am confounded that any of you Germans can ask compassion."

He drove away. Poles in the streets cheered. Germans sulked and sobbed.