

BARRACKS PLAN RECOMMENDED



President's War Powers End Tonight

By FRANK JENKINS
JAPAN'S house of peers dies tonight. It will be replaced under the new Japanese constitution that becomes effective on May 1 by a house of councillors whose 100 members are to be elected on April 20.

When the new constitution goes into effect in May, Japan's once-powerful privy council will be out for good. The privy council has been an effective power for concentrating ALL POWER in a few hands. Theoretically, it has ADVISED the emperor. Actually, it RAN him.

When fundamental changes now under way are completed, Japan will emerge with a government similar to ours and Britain's.

WILL that be a great achievement? Not necessarily. It is a great EXPERIMENT. Its success or failure will depend upon the intelligence and the discipline of the Japanese people and the quality of their leadership.

Democracy isn't a magic formula. It works only when intelligent, industrious people, willing to submit to certain necessary disciplines, are sincerely and wisely led toward worth-while objectives.

DEWITT MCKENZIE, whose well informed and carefully reasoned column has appeared in this newspaper for several years, says today:

"The Moscow-directed world revolution for the spread of communism, which was born with the establishment of the revolutionary Soviet government in 1917, is at long last in full swing on a truly global basis. It is mobilized to the utmost strength which Russia can muster pending her recovery from the ravages of war."

MCKENZIE goes on:

"Naturally, the United States, as the most powerful nation of our time... and a 'capitalistic' one at that, IS THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE COMMUNIST DRIVE."

He adds:

"We were given plenty of warning in the sensational testimony developed last week before the congressional committee on un-American activities and in the report of this committee to congress. The report declares that the communist party of the United States is part of the world-wide revolutionary movement, taking orders direct from Moscow, and that it seeks to OVERTHROW THE WASHINGTON GOVERNMENT."

He concludes:

"I return to this subject because I'm encountering people who find it difficult to believe that anything so terrible could be a reality—especially in the United States. It does seem like melodramatic fiction, but we shall be crazy not to recognize its truth."

IT is hard for us to realize that Russia, as the leader of the communist world, is possibly (probably is the more realistic word) deliberately planning the DESTRUCTION of the United States of America. It seems too strange and weird to be true.

But it must have been hard for the Europe of the middle ages to realize that it was the TARGET of Genghis Khan and his Mongols and of Attila and his Huns. But such was the case.

And we mustn't forget that Genghis Khan and his Mongols and Attila and his Huns came

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WASHINGTON, March 31 (AP)—President Truman loses at midnight the biggest single grant of power handed over to the White House during the war—the unlimited authority to ration and parcel out scarce materials.

However, congress was set to stamp its final approval during the day on two measures salvaging a vestige of the second war powers act. The bulk of that measure dies at midnight, along with the six and one-half year old draft law.

Prompt Approval
The new bills, already approved by senate and house conference committees, were due for prompt presidential signature once they reach the White House. They provide:

An extension until October 31 of sugar rationing and price control with the agriculture department taking over both chores from OPA.

Emergency extension, until June 30 only, of allocation programs over tin, antimony, railroad freight cars, tractors built for export, manila and agave cordage and fiber, the drug streptomycin, and cinchona (quinine), bark, plus limited controls in foreign trade.

Upon signing them, the president will abandon his authority to place any other materials under priorities, rationing or allocation, even in the event of a new national crisis arising from strikes, disasters or a revived threat of war.

Control over rubber, uranium ore, housing materials, exports, and construction—all formerly dependent on the second war powers act—already have been preserved under separate post-war legislation.

Marshall Raps Soviet Stand

MOSCOW, March 31 (AP)—U. S. Secretary of State Marshall, in his bluntest speech of the conference, denounced Soviet Russia today for delivering "an ultimatum" to the foreign ministers council.

"Unless we can have a real meeting of minds and a real desire to carry out both the spirit and letter of our agreements it would be better if none were reached," the secretary of state declared.

"We can never reach real agreement on the basis of ultimatum or immovable positions," Marshall declared in commenting on the Soviet position that unless Russia received reparations from current German production no settlement could be reached.

No City Council Meeting Tonight

The council chambers at the city hall will be darkened this evening as the fifth Monday in the month of March has rolled around.

City fathers can stay home, away from the affairs of the town. The city charter provides for only four meetings of the council in any one month, thus giving the council four days off per year.

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Snell Timber Tax Defeated Today

KFLW Celebrates First Anniversary On March 30



A huge cake centered with one small candle representing a big year for KFLW radio station, was cut shortly after the staff gathered in celebration of the first year of The Herald and News' station operations.

KFLW's full-time staff of 13 people and several of its part-time employees pictured above from left to right are: Aaron Boe, sales representative; Charles McFarlan, announcer; Marjorie Eagle, traffic manager; Don Neal, "sports department"; Fannette Hodges, continuity writer; Gib Walters, chief engineer; Chuck Cecil, production manager; Clarence Bauer, assistant engineer; Bob McCarl, chief announcer; Gordon Lee, technician; Ed Johnson, janitor; Max Frye, commercial manager; Bill Williams, pianist; Paul Alexander, technician-announcer; Bud Chandler, manager; Kelly Roberts, news editor; Frank Jenkins, owner and director. Not available for the photograph were: Phelma Montgomery, bookkeeper; Edith Pieruccini, switchboard operator; Marshall Pengra, director. The entire group will be heard in an informal anniversary program tonight at 8:30.

Sugar Bill Action Rushed

WASHINGTON, March 31 (AP)—Racing to prevent expiration of sugar rationing at midnight, the house today approved compromise legislation continuing sugar allocation and price control until October 31.

Immediate senate action will be sought to permit the bill to the White House before midnight, the president's signature.

The bill stipulates that each person shall have a ration of at least 20 pounds of sugar in the next seven months. This is at the rate of a 35-pound yearly ration, or 10 pounds more than last year's ration.

Under the compromise, the OPA is stripped of further administration of the controls, and the power transferred to the department of agriculture.

The bill also sets aside 50,000 tons of sugar for new industrial users and continues inventory controls, except over household consumers, until March 31, 1948.

KFLW Celebrates Its First Birthday Today

The Herald and News radio station KFLW started its second year of broadcasting in Klamath Falls today, March 31. It was just a year ago today, on a Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when KFLW presented its inaugural broadcast and joined the American Broadcasting company as its 200th affiliated station.

With more than 250 stations now affiliated with ABC, an interview with Bud Chandler, KFLW's station manager, revealed that the position of The Herald and News station as an ABC affiliate now ranks very favorably with the largest metropolitan stations, being privileged to release almost every big transcontinental ABC program.

Phone Strike Said Certain

NEW YORK, March 31 (AP)—The contract between the American Telephone and Telegraph company and its 20,000 long lines employees in 42 states expires at midnight tonight, and the union president says "it looks very much as though we'd walk out at 6 a. m., April 7, as planned."

John J. Moran, president of the American Union of Telephone Workers, (independent), said a meeting with company negotiators last night ended in a stalemate on both sides.

The AUTW is a key affiliate of the National Federation of Telephone Workers, which has threatened a nationwide walkout April 7, and Moran said that despite the contract termination tonight he expected no action by his union until the April 7 date.

The union, Moran said, would give "very careful consideration" to any proposal from the company to leave all the issues—but not wages alone—up to impartial arbitration.

Legislature Is Most Costly Yet

SALEM, March 31 (AP)—The current legislative session, besides being the longest in history, is also the most costly.

The joint ways and means committee reported today that the session thus far has cost the taxpayers \$345,000, today being the 78th day.

The 1945 session, which lasted 69 days and was the longest and most expensive on record, cost \$232,500.

The figures include legislative expenses only, such as salaries of legislators and employees, printing and postage.

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New Mail Service Due

WASHINGTON, March 31 (AP)—The post office department today announced a new 10 cent "air letter service" to all parts of the world, effective April 29.

The service calls for the use of air letter sheets, purchasable at post offices. The thin sheets, measuring 12 by 8 1/2 inches, including a gummed flap, may be folded and sealed after the letter is written into the form of a small envelope.

The folder missive will bear a red-printed 10-cent air mail stamp of the same DC-4 design as the new 5-cent air mail stamp.

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House Votes For Hospital At Medford

SALEM, March 31 (AP)—Governor Earl Snell's \$500,000 annual forestry conservation and research program died today under the bitter opposition of the timber industry, with opponents joining with the sponsors in a move to send it back to committee in an effort to work out a new plan.

The house voted 46 to 10 today and sent to the governor a bill ordering the state board of control to acquire Camp White hospital from the government for use as a state mental hospital.

Deadlocked
The forestry measure, which would tax all timber cut in the state 10 cents a thousand feet, was passed by the house and senate, but the senate reconsidered its vote and ended up in a 15-15 deadlock.

The timber industry objected strenuously to having to pay the cost, so now the bill goes back to the senate forestry committee.

The committee is expected to approve a tax on timber, but it would be only for research, the industry agreeing with this principle.

But the committee is expected to adopt a new reforestation program to be financed by some \$20,000,000 worth of general obligation bonds. This proposal would be submitted to the people, who would have to pay for the bonds.

There was much speculation whether Governor Snell would sign the Camp White measure, since he is chairman of the board of control which had recommended against taking over Camp White.

Hindu Riot Toll Mounts

BOMBAY, March 31 (AP)—A communique said today that in rioting between Hindus and Moslems four persons were burned to death yesterday in a horse-drawn victoria carriage which was set ablaze.

The dead were among the 42 killed here and 14 others were injured. Nine persons were killed and 50 wounded in similar disturbances in Calcutta and Cawnpore.

The communique, from the Bombay provincial information director, said four persons managed to escape from another carriage which rioters burned.

Police Commr. A. E. Ciffin threatened to place Bombay under a 24-hour curfew, barring all persons from streets in the trouble areas, unless there was a "distinct improvement" in the riot situation. He threatened also to impose heavy collective fines on trouble areas.

Two Youths Die In Crash

A paper bound mystery thriller, "Death Takes A Ride," lay on the floor of a wrecked car in which two young Ashland men lost their lives and three others were critically injured at 2:30 o'clock this morning on the Greensprings highway five miles south of the valley town.

Dead are John Valentine Schmalz, 21, and William Allen Montgomery, 18. Injured were Glen Floyd Nelson, 17; Milton E. Morrison, 16, and Donald Montgomery, 21, brother of the dead youth.

The car, traveling toward Ashland from the Greensprings area, took out two telephone poles before it came to a stop. Both Schmalz and Montgomery were killed instantly. Shortly after the accident two Klamath Falls youths, Evan Dixon, 623 Prescott, and Bud Brown, Lenox addition, en route home from Medford, came on the scene and noticed the mystery novel on the floor of the car.

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Committee Reverses First Vote

SALEM, March 31 (AP)—The joint legislative ways and means committee voted 9 to 5 today to recommend that the state take over the Klamath Marine Barracks for use as a state vocational school.

Last week the committee had voted unanimously against the proposal, which calls for an appropriation of \$620,000 to operate it for the next two years.

In the meantime, however, the new program to insure the state against a budget deficit was developed, which made it possible to reconsider the adverse action.

Legislative OK
Approval by the ways and means committee usually carries along with it legislative approval, since the legislature ordinarily accepts the favorable reports of its ways and means committee.

The committee's action today came on a 2 to 1 report of a subcommittee that the barracks proposal be reconsidered and approved. The subcommittee had held a hearing on the plan last Friday, at which 10 Klamath Falls residents protested against rejection of the deal.

The subcommittee members voting for the proposal today were Sen. Carl Engdahl, Pendleton, and Rep. William B. Morse, Prineville. Voting against it was Sen. Howard C. Belton, Canby.

Irrigation Water Ready

With plenty of water available in all storage areas, the United States office of the bureau of reclamation advised today that irrigation waters will be turned on as soon as sufficient need is felt, probably around the latter part of the week.

The usual date of opening the gates to fill the miles of canals and ditches, is around April 4 and 5. This year appears to be no different, according to R. S. Hopkins, irrigation manager for the bureau. If there is no further moisture from the sky, the water will more than likely be turned on this week-end, but storms such as experienced this past week may delay action.

Hopkins said the bureau did not anticipate as much of a demand as that of last year as less potato plantings means less water needed.

Tavern Loving Dog Earns Keep With Service

NORTH BEND, March 31 (AP)—Prince is a nondescript, mud-loving 9-year-old cocker spaniel, but he also is the working dog (tavern section) champion of North Bend.

He's been a regular at a tavern here for the past year, earning his keep in his own way.

The boys at the card table toss him a dollar bill. He picks it up, trots over to a restaurant and comes back with a hot sandwich and change in a paper bag.

He never opens the bag, not even when it holds hamburger for his own dinner.

He's the other tavern regulars so well, he goes with a different one each night. Maybe he likes them too well. At any rate he has been known to grab a lunch basket and carry it off to the tavern, to offer its food to the card players.

Draft Boards Prepare To Close After Long Service

Klamath county's two selective service boards prepared today to close up their business after six and one-half years' service to the community and country.

Expiration of the selective service law occurs today, March 31, but the boards' offices will probably continue in operation for some time before their affairs are wound up.

The boards registered a total of 13,792 men under 45, and 5796 of them entered the armed services. Of these, 4798 were discharged and 904 are still serving, and 94 are listed as dead.

T. D. Case and Mary Case served as clerks of the two boards throughout their operation.

Today, the boards issued the following statement:

"We should like to take this opportunity to thank all those who contributed so much to the successful operation of this effort—the newspapers and the radio, the registrars, city and county officials, the school boards, the county agricultural war board, the Elks and Eagles and other organizations who freely gave of their time and money."

"We wish especially to thank the employers for their fine cooperative attitude even though we were crippling their efforts to increase production and for

their fine continuing contacts and programs for assuring the boys their jobs when they came home.

"We appreciate deeply the support and faith of this community in the justice and wisdom of your local boards in their trying task. We have tried to the best of our ability, without fear or favor, to give each registrant a square deal and to fit, as best we could, his duty to support and defend the United States of America to his particular circumstance.

And finally we want to thank from the bottom of our hearts, the seven thousand odd Klamath county men who so willingly laid aside their private lives when their country needed them, shouldered our national burdens and preserved this country for the children of the future; and the folks at home who accepted their sacrifices with a prayer that all would return safely, and redoubled their efforts to produce more."

"It is a privilege to serve such a grand community as the Klamath Empire."

"G. C. Blohm
"Alfred D. Collier
"S. F. Dehlinger
"C. O. Dryden
"James R. Fowler
"Fred H. Heilbrunner
"H. N. Moe
"Frank Schmitz
"T. D. and Mary Case."



Benny's boss would probably be glad to see him at work at 9 o'clock in the morning. So we're obliging. Our 9 o'clock photo caught Benny Meyers dishing out lamp globes down at Lorenz company today, and we're preserving that act for posterity with this picture.