

Kaiser Tells Of Sending Note To FDR And Getting Contract To Build Ships

WASHINGTON, July 29 (AP)—Henry J. Kaiser testified today that he sent a brief note to the late President Roosevelt and got a wartime contract to build small aircraft carriers after top navy officials previously had rejected his offer.

The wartime industrialist told the senate investigating committee of this incident.

The committee is seeking facts regarding \$40,000,000 worth of airplane contracts awarded to Kaiser and Howard Hughes, aircraft designer and film producer.

Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) questioned Kaiser on this.

On the "baby flattops"—small aircraft carriers—Kaiser told this story: He talked with the late Marvin

McIntyre, secretary to the late President Roosevelt, about building the aircraft carriers.

McIntyre was "very available" and when the navy rejected Kaiser's plans by a vote of 16 to nothing," he consulted McIntyre.

"At the time I had seen the president only once," Kaiser went on. "I went to see Mac."

McIntyre told him, Kaiser said, that if Kaiser would "write a little letter of about four paragraphs" that McIntyre would "lay it on the chief's desk."

Kaiser said the next day he received a call from Admiral Emory S. Land, then direction ship construction.

"Admiral Land said 'what the hell have you been doing?'" Kaiser continued.

Kaiser said the letter to President Roosevelt caused top navy officials to "reverse" themselves.

"It got an order for one hundred air carriers," he said. "All hell broke loose. They did not want aircraft carriers. They wanted destroyers. I told them I could not build destroyers. Finally they cancelled orders for fifty."

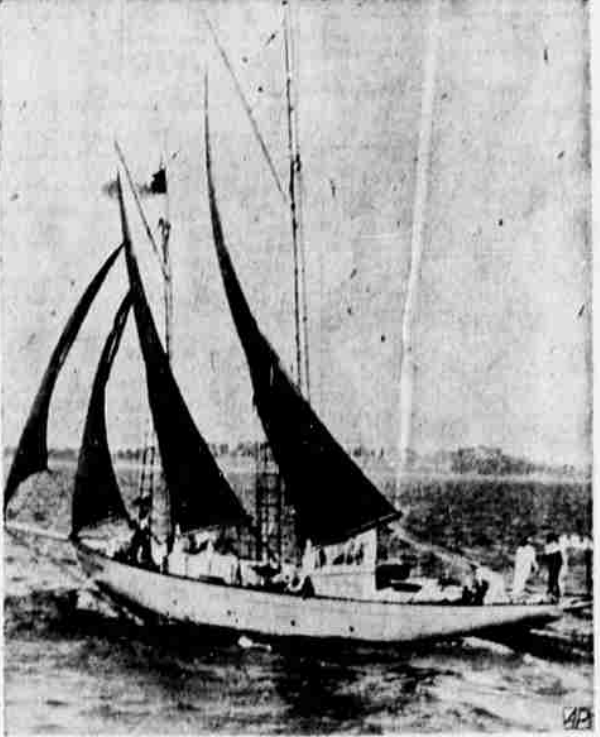
Kaiser said the navy did not want to call his ships "aircraft carriers" and at first "wanted to give them to the British" but finally "turned the heat of hell on us to produce more of them."

"The navy reversed itself," he continued. "It was wonderful. Admiral King came in and said he wanted to help."

Admiral Ernest King was chief of naval operations and commander in chief of the navy at the time.

At the outset of the hearing Kaiser protested there has been a "smear campaign" against him.

Off For The South Seas



Carrying a cargo of bibles, the missionary schooner Morning Star VI sails out of Boston harbor on first leg of a voyage that will take her to the Marshall and Caroline islands in South Pacific to be used to transport missionaries around five million square miles of the Pacific ocean.

Federal Spending Held High

WASHINGTON, July 29 (AP)—Administration budget experts said today that despite congressional cuts, federal spending this fiscal year will run fairly close to the \$47,500,000,000 estimate outlined by President Truman last January.

It may even exceed that figure when all the items are totaled up next June 30, these analysts told a reporter on the stipulation that they not be named.

They said the main reason for this is that congress voted a number of appropriations—chiefly for foreign aid—which were not figured in when Mr. Truman drafted his budget estimates.

Battle Rages

The analysts' demands for accountability were underscored by the fact that the battle of the budget is still raging unabated on Capitol Hill.

Chairman Taber (R-N.Y.) of the house appropriations committee—sparkplug of the republican economy drive—came up with his third set of figures in three days last night. And Rep. Gore (D-Tenn.), self-described "watchdog" of GOP, promises in the house to trim the budget by \$6,000,000,000, countered with his party's third compilation.

Taber contended in a radio speech that total savings to the treasury "as a result of the operations of the first session of the 80th congress" amounted to \$4,403,700,000. He added that in addition the lawmakers rescinded \$2,684,000,000 in previous appropriations.

Work To Start On Housing Units

SEATTLE, July 29 (AP)—Work will begin immediately to complete 15 veterans' emergency housing projects in the Northwest area halted because of lack of funds, Jesse Epstein, regional director of the public housing administration, said today.

The resumption was made possible when congress approved a \$35,500,000 deficiency appropriation and a total of 982 units will be completed at an approximate cost of \$2,000,000, he said.

They include: Oregon, University of Oregon, Eugene, 100 units; Oregon State college, Corvallis, 44 units; Pendleton, 30 units; Agaribaldi, 24 units.

Dynamite Sale Enters Overall Case

SANTA ANA, Calif., July 29 (AP)—A powder magazine attendant testified today that late last February or early March he had sold 24 sticks of dynamite to George (Bud) Gollum, 21, charged with bludgeoning to death Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Overell and then blowing up their yacht.

The witness was Ben Smith, employee of the Trojan Powder Co. at Highland, Calif., and also a San Bernardino county deputy sheriff. He was called today by the prosecution in the murder trial of Gollum and his fiancée, Louise Overell, daughter of the yacht blast victims.

Smith said Gollum visited his powder magazine twice, the first time accompanied by a woman he identified as Miss Overell. In both instances Gollum was accompanied

by a man who Smith said he had not seen before or since.

Smith pointed out Gollum and Miss Overell at the defendants' table as the pair who visited him.

Under questioning by Special Prosecutor Eugene D. Williams, Smith said Gollum's first visit to his office was "the latter part of February." Louise, he testified, remained sitting in the car.

"Gollum told me that the Trojan Powder company office in Los Angeles had informed him I would give him instructions about using dynamite," Smith testified.

"He asked me if there was any chance of getting any small wire. I told him no, that we'd been having a hard time getting it during the war. I told him he could have a couple of small rolls that had been used to make contact where the lead wire was too short. I gave him the wire without charge."

World Conditions Study Slated

WASHINGTON, July 29 (AP)—Speaker Martin today appointed Rep. Eaton (R-N.J.) chairman of a special house committee created to study world conditions and this country's ability to aid foreign nations.

Eaton is chairman of the house foreign affairs committee.

Martin announced that the committee will start August 27 and spend five weeks in Europe and the Far East.

Other committee members include Rep. Nixon (R-Calif.), Mahon (D-Tex.) and Monroney (D-Okla.).

GP Man Charged

HOLLY, Colo., July 29 (AP)—Royland McGhee, 24, Grants Pass, Ore., was killed last night when his car overturned on a country road 22 miles south of here.

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Give Indians Money, Says Rep. Butler

WASHINGTON, July 29 (AP)—Chairman Butler (R-Neb.) of the senate public lands committee said today he believed the Klamath Indians of Oregon should be given the \$2,298,472 they have in the federal treasury so the United States can stop paying interest on it.

Butler and other members of the senate subcommittee on Indian affairs will hold hearings in Klamath Falls next month on legislation to liquidate the tribe and give its 1537 members citizenship.

The senator said in discussing the situation with his staff that he believed the "money should be given to the people who own it" and said if the committee approved the bill to give the tribe citizenship and let them handle their own affairs it would be a forerunner for ten tribes which are in the same status.

Second Bill

The subcommittee headed by Senator Watkins (R-Utah) also will hold hearings on a bill introduced by Rep. Stockman (R-Ore.) which provides that each enrolled member of the tribe would be credited with \$500 from the tribal reserve fund. The money could be used for the purchase or improvement of land, construction of homes, purchase of household equipment, repayment of loans from the government, purchase of feed, repair of farm equipment and purchase of other necessary equipment. It provides that during minority the share of each minor Indian would be used solely for his education.

The measure provides that honorably discharged war veterans of the tribe shall receive \$2200 in cash, free from all restrictions.

Wedding Off; Charge Filed

LAKEVIEW, July 29—Carl William Oster, truck driver, is held in the Lake county jail for a preliminary hearing on a charge of simple assault on the complaint of a Tulelake girl, Bonnie Jones, 20.

Oster is alleged to have brought the Jones girl to Lakeview some time ago to get married, but the marriage did not come off, according to Lake county officials.

EXTRADITION HEARING

Clarence A. Gordon, held in the county jail as an escapee from a Mansfield, O., reformatory, is due for an extradition hearing in Salem before Acting Governor Marshall Cornett Wednesday.

Gordon is supposed to have escaped from the Ohio institution nine years ago and has been living and working in Klamath Falls.

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Lake Woman Said Critical

LAKEVIEW, July 29—Lillie Lee, 32, who was shot four times early yesterday morning by her estranged husband, Robert, remains in an extremely critical condition in a Lakeview hospital. The husband is in the Lake county jail charged with armed assault with intent to kill.

Bail has been set at \$10,000. Lee has admitted the shooting in what apparently was a family squabble.

The shooting took place three miles south of Lakeview on highway 395 early yesterday morning when Lee overtook a truck in which Charles Edward Fultz and Mrs. Lee were riding, crowded the truck off the road and blazed away with a .32 caliber automatic.

Mrs. Lee was hit in the left shoulder, arm, abdomen and leg, while Fultz was struck in the wrist. Fultz signed the complaint against Robert Lee.

Sheriff Hank Cassidy said that Mrs. Lee had filed suit for divorce against Lee and had left him last Thursday. They have four daughters. Fultz said he was taking Mrs. Lee to work when the shooting occurred. She works at the American Box company.

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Justice Douglas Has Tonsils Out

PORTLAND, Ore., July 29 (AP)—Justice William O. Douglas of the United States supreme court underwent a tonsillectomy this morning and a nurse at Physicians and Surgeons hospital said "everything is just fine."

The justice, vacationing at his summer home at Lostine in the Willowa mountains, said last night he had decided it was time to do something about his recurring throat infections.

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The family of Mrs. C. E. Foster wish to express their thanks and appreciation for the kindness and consideration shown by friends during their recent bereavement, the passing of their husband and father, Clyde E. Foster.

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