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Kalpine Plant Resumes Work; Pickets Passed

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN the Balkans rumors fly thicker than mosquitoes in a swamp. But NO SHOOTING—as yet.

Which means that it's still the diplomats' war.

YUGOSLAVIA is talking with Turkey and Russia, with ministers flying back and forth at a great rate. An effort is obviously being made to line up some sort of Greek-Turk-Russ-Yugoslav front to present to Hitler.

This writer's guess is that Greece, Yugoslavia and Turkey are sincere and that Russia is practicing duplicity at the present moment and is ready to practice treachery at ANY moment.

THAT, of course, is purely a cynical guess, based on persistent reading of censored news. This writer has NO inside information.

ONE point in connection with this Balkan ruckus is at least interesting.

In the past (Poland, Norway, the low countries, etc.) Hitler has been inclined to shoot first and talk afterward. He now clearly wants to do a lot of talking before he does any shooting (in the Balkans).

He is feeling his way cautiously down there.

THREE foreign planes, today's dispatches say, reconnoitered southern Yugoslavia at a great height this morning—over the Vardar valley.

This historic invasion route down the valley of the Vardar is the hot spot in whatever military plans are being made behind the smoke screen.

ACCORDING to Italy's Gayda (you still remember, perhaps, who Gayda is—or WAS) Japan's Matsuoka had a long conversation with Mussolini on Tuesday.

Gayda describes it as "a frank exchange of views on all problems interesting to the two countries and to the world." The interview, Gayda says, "made a deep impression" on Matsuoka.

Another cynical guess on this writer's part: The destruction of a large share of the Italian fleet in the Ionian sea by the hard-shooting British (without the loss of a ship or a man) made a MUCH DEEPER impression on him.

IF Matsuoka is half as smart as he ought to be, he must realize that Hitler and Mussolini (who have everything to gain and nothing to lose in the enterprise) are trying to push Japan out on a long limb that overhangs a deep chasm.

Getting onto this limb would be much easier than getting off of it.

CLOSER home, today's dispatches relate that:

CIO automobile workers struck today (Wednesday) at a huge Ford Motor Company plant.

RIOTS forced the closing of the defense-important Allis-Chalmers factory, with at least 48 persons injured in the clashes between strike sympathizers and police.

A wage dispute PARALYZED most of the nation's soft coal mines, with a mine guard shot to death and a union picket wounded.

IT is up to us all to reflect seriously on this fact:

We can't fight Hitler and WIN and FIGHT EACH OTHER at the same time.

The War 25 Years Ago

By The Associated Press

April 2, 1916—Russians rout Turks near Baghdad.

39 Workers Reenter Local Plywood Mill After Confab Fails

Machinery hummed again Wednesday at the Kalpina Plywood company plant after 39 workers voluntarily passed through CIO picket lines and returned to work at 8 a. m.

Don Drury, Kalpina manager, said operations would be continued on a 24-hour basis with the first car of plywood scheduled to be shipped Thursday. Work on a carload destined for defense use will be resumed immediately and will be shipped as early as possible, he stated.

The men who opened the plant Wednesday morning are employees who were working there before the strike, it was learned, and all or most of them are believed now to be affiliated with the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers union. Some time after the strike occurred, the AFL union announced a claim that a majority of Kalpina's 70 employees had designated the AFL union as bargaining agent.

Still on the picket lines Wednesday were members of the CIO Plywood, Box Shook and Door Workers union which declared the strike on Tuesday, March 4, claiming a majority membership among the employees.

Sheriff Lloyd L. Low and Deputy Sheriff Jack Franey, apparently informed that a crew intended to go into the plant Wednesday, were on hand but left when the incident passed peacefully.

Action on the part of the men came after negotiations between the company and the CIO had been carried on from early Tuesday until the small hours of Wednesday morning. Present at the conference was Charles Wheeler, of the U. S. Department of Labor conciliation service who entered into the labor

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Airport Area Eyed for Road Adjustment

A cooperative program for road adjustment in the municipal airport area south of town was agreed upon Wednesday at a conference attended by members of the county court, city council, city airport commission, airport committee of the chamber of commerce and others.

County court members agreed to road work, totaling about \$10,000, but said if no other than county road funds are available the work will require not to exceed three years.

Efforts will be made, however, to obtain government funds for the road construction around the airport, which will permit closing a section of the Spring lake road.

The plan is to extend the Johns road west across the railroad tracks, and then slant southeastward along the tracks to rejoin the Spring lake road south of the airport.

Court members said they understand the city will provide rights-of-way for the road relocation.

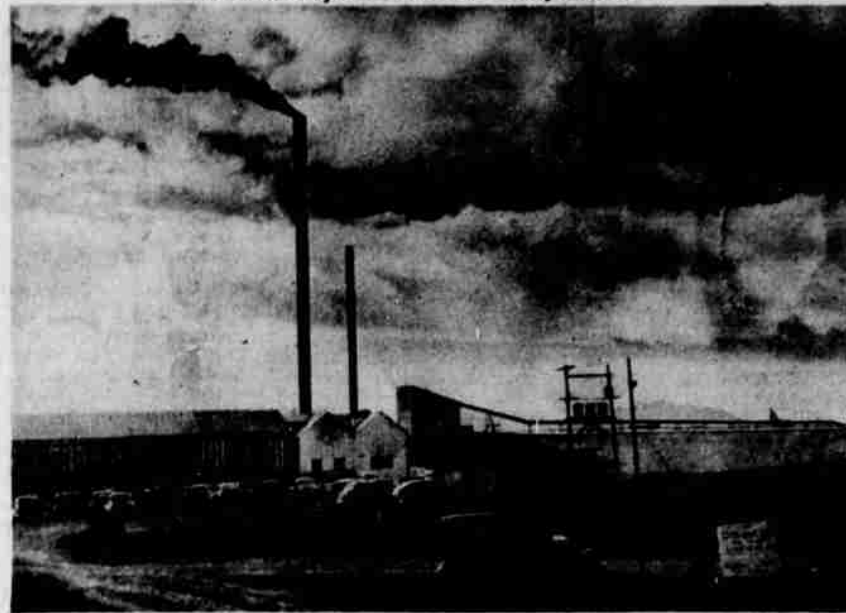
Stalin Controls U. S. Reds, Says Bridges Case Witness

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2 (UP)—Systematic agitation in the United States army to shatter its morale is a prime tenet of the communist party, Benjamin Gitlow, one-time communist leader, testified today at the Harry Bridges deportation hearing.

The communist party of the United States today is under more complete control of Josef Stalin and other Russian leaders than it ever was before, Gitlow said as he completed his direct examination. The defense waived cross-examination until later in the proceedings.

The government made its first attempt to link Bridges with communist activities on the west coast through Ezra F. Chase of Los Angeles, who identified himself as a former member of the

Struck Plywood Plant in Operation



Cars were parked beside the Kalpina plywood plant on the Klamath river again, and smoke poured from the stack Wednesday morning as 39 workmen entered the mill through a CIO picket line. CIO pickets are shown at the right. The strike was declared March 4, throwing 70 men out of work.

U. S. CITIZENS HELD BY NAZIS

Axis May Confiscate American Property In War of Reprisal

BERLIN, Thursday, April 3 (UP)—Four United States citizens were arrested and held for several hours late Wednesday in what German criminal police admitted might have "some connection with German reprisals" for the U. S. seizure of axis ships in American ports.

All of the arrests were connected with passport regulations, authorized German quarters stated.

U. S. Property Possibility of confiscation of United States property in Germany in reprisal for the seizure of German, Italian and Danish ships in U. S. ports was rumored in political quarters as the reich government prepared a formal answer to the American action.

The German official answer to what is being called "an act of gangsterism" will announce definite German measures, it was said reliably.

"It is not absolutely impossible that the arrests had some connection with reprisals against the confiscation of German ships," the Nazi criminal police admitted, referring to the case of three of the four Americans seized and held in custody for several hours.

Details Withheld But the case of the fourth, John Paul Dickson, a newspaper man from New York, was said to be "quite different," although details were not divulged.

All of the four have been long-time residents of Germany. Dickson was the last of the quartet to obtain his release, after being held from 8:30 until 10:30 p. m.

Others seized on the passport charges were Arthur E. Dunning, permanent secretary of the American chamber of commerce in Berlin; a negro music student from New York named Welsh and an unidentified young man whose home is in California.

The four were taken to the Alexanderplatz police station where Richard C. Hottelet, a United Press correspondent in

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Pardon Asked By 'Duchess' In California

SACRAMENTO, Calif., April 2 (UP)—Mrs. Juanita (The Duchess) Spinelli, ring-leader of a small-time Detroit gang who is under death sentence for murder, today asked Gov. Culbert Olson to pardon or commute her sentence to life imprisonment.

Mrs. Spinelli is under strong guard at the Tehachapi prison for women following disclosure of a purported plot to free her. San Francisco police said they had learned her daughter, Lorraine, 19, had boasted she "would get a gang together and spring mother from prison."

In her clemency application, Mrs. Spinelli contended she was convicted of murder of Robert Sherrard near Sacramento last year largely on the testimony of Albert Ives, another member of the gang who later was declared insane.

Similar applications also were received for Gordon Hawkins and Mike Simeone, convicted with Mrs. Spinelli and also under death sentences.

Sherrard was given knock-out drops in whiskey and thrown into the Sacramento river in fear he would inform authorities that the gang had killed a San Francisco barbecue stand operator during a holdup.

Man Stabbed Here Wednesday

A man believed to be L. W. Newlum was reported by police to have been stabbed Wednesday night at the Klamath Annex, 226 South Sixth street.

Newlum was rushed to a hospital for treatment of his wounds about 9 p. m. It was learned he suffered severe cuts, one in the ribs above the kidneys and another in the left arm. The man was released from the hospital after about an hour. Police said Newlum's assailant had not been located by 1 a. m., but that they thought him to be a transient who had made a previous appearance at the city hall.

Newlum is a newcomer to the city, police informed. He is said to be a cook at the T-Bone cafe here, having acquired the job only a few days ago.

Czech Girl Skater Admitted to U. S.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 2 (UP)—Blonde Vera Hrubá, Czechoslovakian figure skater, tonight was notified by American immigration authorities that she could re-enter the United States under the Czech quota.

An estimated 3000 American suitors had offered marriage proposals with U. S. citizenship as the inducement. Miss Hrubá rejected all bids and went into hiding here, awaiting outcome of consultation in Berlin between American embassy attaches and the German government.

Miss Hrubá also revealed that Mrs. Nan Foley of Lafayette, Ind., who had offered to adopt the comely European ice star, died recently and left her \$20,000, according to notice received from Edward Foley, the deceased woman's stepson.

"Now I will become an American citizen forever, and I have a lot of money," exclaimed Miss Hrubá. She said she would leave tomorrow for Sacramento, Calif., to rejoin her ice troupe.

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RIOTS RESULT IN DEATH OF FOUR PICKETS

Kentucky Coal Mines Halt All Work; Ford Strike May Mediate

HARLAN, Ky., April 2 (UP) Operators of soft coal mines in Harlan county tonight shut down all operations to avert recurrence of violence which killed four miners and injured six others during the day.

The decision was reached on request of Gov. Keen Jonsson who telephoned from Frankfort that the "violence and slaughter growing out of the mine shutdown is a dis-grace."

William Turnblazer, UMW district president, announced withdrawal of union pickets as a safety measure. The mines will remain shut down, the operators said, pending outcome of the national bituminous coal industry negotiations at New York.

Six Wounded The fatal shooting of four CIO pickets today occurred at the Crummie mine, 11 miles east of Harlan. Six union and non-union miners were wounded. The death toll by violence was brought to five in two days. A mine guard was slain Tuesday and sporadic rioting at eight of the county's 47 soft coal fields.

Today's battle was touched off by a gun fired harmlessly during a speech at the mine entrance by a United Mine workers' organizer. Approximately 300 unionists, who had come to the workings in an effort to collect dues from non-members, were listening to the address. Non-

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SERBS, CROATS GET TOGETHER

Jugoslavs Pursue Policy of Peace to Avoid German War

BELGRADE, April 2 (UP)—The new Yugoslav government tonight sealed an agreement uniting Serbs and Croats in a common front against any invasion after promising to pursue a "policy of peace" and strive by all reasonable means to avoid war with Germany.

The cabinet of General Dusan T. Simovitch named a week ago after the Yugoslav army's anti-axis coup d'etat agreed to the new working arrangement with the Croats in a two-hour cabinet session ending at 9 p. m.

Under the agreement Dr. Vladimir Matceck, the venerable Croat political leader, will remain in the government as first vice premier.

Path Cleared Although no cabinet communiqué was issued it was stated in the most reliable quarters that all obstacles have been cleared from the path of Croat participation in the new government.

A cabinet declaration of foreign policy will be issued soon, perhaps Friday, it was stated reliably.

Meanwhile hopes rose that Yugoslavia's position in the face of a threatened German invasion would be strengthened by a defense block including Russia, Turkey and Jugoslavia.

A report from Dr. Milan Gab-

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Suspects Sought By Authorities In Local Murder

Sought



Here are two prison "mugs" of George Parks, 35, sought as a suspect in the Buffalo lunch killing of Dr. Salem A. David. Parks and a companion are believed to have worked on potato sorting crews in the south-end district last fall. They disappeared from a "jungle hangout" here March 18, the day Dr. David was killed.

Suspicion Pointed at "Jungle" Pair Who Left Day of Killing

George Parks, 35, an ex-convict with a long record, was sought Wednesday as No. 1 suspect in the Buffalo lunch killing of Dr. Salem A. David.

Murder warrants were issued here for Parks and "John Doe," his companion, and Sheriff Lloyd L. Low revealed he had sent out police bulletins to all parts of the coast in an attempt to catch the two suspects.

Suspicion Sheriff Low said the finger of suspicion points so strongly at Parks he is convinced he is one of the men who held up the South Sixth street cafe on the early morning of March 18, and killed Dr. David with a shotgun when he pursued the robbers into the night and grappled with one of them.

Wednesday's development was the first pointing definitely to an identified individual as one of the killers, and came as a result of painstaking investigation by law enforcement agencies here. Sheriff Low's quiet sifting of the clues in the case partially lifted the cloak of mystery surrounding the identity of the killers about a week ago. To prevent "tipping off" Parks that he was suspected, if he was still in this area, the sheriff did not reveal the development publicly until Wednesday.

Left March 18 Parks and his companion, a man about his age, disappeared from a jungle "hangout" on March 18, the day of the Buffalo lunch robbery, and their whereabouts is not known now to authorities.

The sheriff learned that the two suspects had been living in the jungle camp located at the Long Bell burner on the old Midland road. Parks came to the

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British Fall From Libyan Front Lines

CAIRO, Egypt, April 2 (UP)—The British acknowledged slightly increased pressure of axis military power in Libya today even as their victorious forces in east Africa pursued the Italians on two major fronts, hopeful for speedy knockout blows.

Imperial forces were declared to have virtually cornered some 100,000 Italians in the east African campaign to destroy Premier Mussolini's empire.

Outpost Withdrawn The acknowledgement of axis activity in Libya, in north Africa, was noted briefly in a headquarters communiqué which said British advanced elements northeast of Mersa Brega were withdrawing.

This was done in the face of what British sources called a "reconnaissance in force." Previously the British said the Germans had part of three divisions to bolster the battered fascist army in Libya.

Mersa Brega is about 30 miles northeast of El Agheila, which was an outpost of the British winter advance westward. The British withdrew from El Agheila last week shortly before Nazi troops raised the swastika over the village.

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Jury Ponders Haynes Liquor Selling Case

A jury of 12 men retired to the juryroom at about 8 p. m. Wednesday to begin deliberation toward a verdict in the trial of Carlton Wheeler Haynes, proprietor of the Lost River club in Merrill. Haynes is charged with illegal selling of alcoholic liquor. By 1 a. m. Thursday the jury was still out, no decision having been reached.

Witnesses for the plaintiff were Burt Gorrell and J. W. Hayes, special investigators for the Oregon Liquor Control commission. They testified that on November 18, 19 and 20 they visited the club at Merrill and succeeded in purchasing drinks of straight whiskey over the bar on the second and third days. With a syringe they obtained evi-

Eastern Oregon Has Driest March

LA GRANDE, Ore., April 2 (UP)—Weather bureau officials today said March in La Grande was the driest experienced in the 54 years records have been kept. Less than half an inch of precipitation fell during the month.

PENDLETON, Ore., April 2 (UP)—Umatilla county today recorded the driest three months period in half a century because of rain deficiency.

County Watermaster J. M. Spencer said rain lack for the last three months was 2.42 inches. He said the Umatilla river is too low to fill the rights of regular water users. Ground water for pumping purposes in the Walla Walla district has disappeared.

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