

WASHINGTON Calling

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"token" U. S. force in some cases, or for local actions in this hemisphere, but for requiring congressional approval for any U. S. involvement on major scale in Europe or Asia.

Tariff Cut

BOTH SIDES think senate battle on granting the administration authority to cut tariffs an additional 50 per cent under present levels will be close, with the odds probably favoring acceptance. Finance committee vote was 10 to 9 against, but Democrats think chances are better in senate as a whole.

If going gets too tough, compromise at something like 25 per cent under present rates is possible.

Hope that Japs soon will surrender unconditionally to prevent further devastation of their cities and industries is fading among military men, congressional sources say.

This means long, hard war, many casualties. Nips give no signs of folding.

OKINAWA, about 350 miles from Jap home islands, will be used as England was used against the Nazis. But Okinawa terrain will allow for fewer airfields than we had in England.

This, plus distance, means we'll hit Japan with somewhat less air power than we threw against Germany.

Nevertheless, our air war will be greatly stepped up. Japs soon will regret, even more than now, they ever heard of Pearl Harbor.

By-Passed Japs

THERE are hundreds of thousands of Jap soldiers on big and little Pacific islands we have bypassed. We or British must clean them out—or let them die there. Military experts say latter would take too much time.

ONE BIG SURPRISE of Jap war: enormous amounts of Jap guns, ammunition, food, other supplies. Tons of supplies remain after our men blast Japs out of deep, fortified caves. Japs have felt no shortages in those items, congressional sources say. Caves were established over long period of time, presumably for just such war as this.

The \$25,000-a-year job as umpire in New York's cloak and suit business—the job formerly held by Jimmy Walker—is being held open for Harry Hopkins to refuse or accept. The job—said to require only a few hours work a week—was offered to Judge Sam Rosenman, who passed it up when President Truman insisted he stay on as White House adviser.

Big Job for Bradley

MODERNIZATION of veterans administration will be no easy chore for its new boss, Gen. Omar

Beautiful Austrian Tyrol Center of Hunt for Nazis

By HELEN KIRKPATRICK
Time Foreign Correspondent

TYROL, June 9.—The Austrian Tyrol, today combines all the qualities of a novel by E. Phillips Oppenheim, stage settings by Schubert and music by Strauss.

A casual visitor to the lovely Alpine valleys, which run north and south off the Inn river, would be inclined to come away convinced that western Austria was little changed from the pre-Anschluss days of 1937.

Villages like Kitzbuhel, Zell-Miss Kirkpatrick Am-Zee, Mittersill, Wörgl, and Kufstein have the same old world look. The villagers—tall, strapping youths in leather shorts and half hose, and blond, pig-tailed girls in dirndl dresses, stroll through the narrow streets where half-timbered chalets thrust their carved balconies toward the snow-covered mountains.

The sound of accordions echo from pine-wooded slopes. The jangle of cow bells begins at dawn.

THE ONLY differences which might be noted in a fleeting glance would be the Red Cross flags on most of the hotels and inns, maimed men in German field gray and the presence of khaki-filled jeeps.

Tanned, rested, spic-and-span G. I.'s of the Rainbow division wander about, or stand guard at road blocks.

The expression on their faces, as pretty Tyroleans trip by, clearly indicates that they wish fraternization would be authorized for Austria.

BEHIND this idyllic facade there is tremendous activity.

Daily patrols of counter-intelligence and army go out on sweeps, searching for S.S. men still hiding out in mountain chalets. Scarcely



a day passes without a good haul. Daily, a new, diplomatic or high-ranking Nazi is found, disguised as a woodsman, herdsman, painter, or farmer.

Frau Von Ribbentrop and her children were found recently and the counter-intelligence is expected shortly to find the former Nazi foreign minister.

He left Kitzbuhel two days before the American arrival, driving himself in a farm cart.

The Austrian underground movement has been, and still is invaluable in flushing out Nazis. It is working mostly with the Americans and its services are highly valued.

THERE are dozens of signs that the Nazis still have a working organization.

American patrols are maintained and there are road blocks at regular intervals along all thoroughfares. This district is particularly important, owing to the mountain passes which lead into Italy and from eastern Austria, S.S. seeking to escape from Italy and from Russian-occupied Austria constantly try to come over and lose themselves in the mountainous Tyrol.

Flares can be seen going up from remote mountains nightly and there is evidence that the S.S. hiding there are signaling the location of roadblocks to friends on the other side.

OCCASIONALLY, small S.S. bands come down out of the hills and shoot at the Americans guarding the roadblocks. American patrols, with Austrian guides, then go out on sweeping punitive expeditions.

This is the area to which all diplomatic and official persons came from Berlin. High on a mountain trail one may run suddenly into an Albanian, Bulgarian or Hungarian official or diplomat.

Last week American agents, caught a Japanese newspaper correspondent pretending to be a Tyrolean yodler—a somewhat unsuccessful disguise.

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PAST NOBLE CLUB TO HOLD CARD PARTY

Past Noble Grand club, South-eastern Rebekah lodge, 749, will hold a card party at 8 o'clock to-night at the home of Mrs. Helen Nitchman, 331 N. Chester ave.

The entire lodge will have a pitch-in supper at 8:30 p. m. tomorrow at the I. O. O. F. hall. Moving pictures of the I. O. O. F. will be shown at Greensburg will be shown.

JAPAN ACTS IN 'GRAVE CRISIS'

Makes Bid for 'Terms' but Expects None.

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great armies in the necessary places and by easy and swift supplies." He claimed Japan was fighting "solely for the self-defense of East Asia against the inordinate ambitions of the United States and Great Britain."

Offsets Propaganda

Suzuki's protest that unconditional surrender would mean the "destruction of the Japanese race" seemed to be an attempt to offset the recent heavy American propaganda campaign, aimed at splitting the Japanese people from their war leaders.

American propaganda has assured the Japanese that unconditional surrender does not mean their destruction.

The diet also was addressed by Japanese navy minister Mitsumasa Yonai who, in an outburst of frankness, said: "I must humbly admit the adverse war situation in the Okinawas."

He also made his bid for an understatement prize by saying: "We have fallen a little somewhat short of securing full command of the air over the (Okinawa) area."

Suzuki said there was no one in the world who more "earnestly desires world peace and the welfare of humanity more than Emperor Hirohito."

'Utmost Regret'

As for himself, Suzuki said, he found it a matter of "utmost regret" that the United States and Japan were at war.

Japan was fighting "solely for the self-defense of our empire and for the stabilization of East Asia against the inordinate ambitions of the United States and Great Britain," he said.

The extraordinary session of the diet, convened so hurriedly that it was announced only yesterday, came as the American air bombardment of Japan was reaching new heights.

In today's raids, the huge Superforts did not carry the incendiary bombs which had Japan's great cities ablaze in previous attacks.

This time they concentrated their high explosive loads on specific targets—the Kawasaki aircraft works at Osaka, the Kawasaki engine plant at Kobe, and the Aichi Co.'s Astuta parts plant at Nagoya.

Tokyo reported the raid lasted for one hour and 20 minutes, beginning at 7:30 a. m.

The 70th major attack of the war by the 21st bomber command, it was the third since May 17 for Nagoya, the third in ten days for Osaka, and the second in six days for Kobe.

Japs Thrown Back

While Japanese homefronters grieved over the new attacks, their troops in Okinawa were thrown back by American gains.

American troops, led by flame-throwers, blasted into Hanagasaki, the fall of which would outflank the important Yaeju-Bake escarpment.

On the western end of the last Japanese defense line, Itoyan already was outflanked.

The allied landing on the north-west coast of Borneo was reported by Tokyo as an attempt to land on Laubian island in Brunei bay, site of a big Japanese naval base.

The enemy report said the allied fleet included battleships, cruisers, destroyers, and 975 smaller warships.

So far the Brunei landing was unconfirmed by Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters.

Today's Manila communique reported new gains in the Cagayan valley advance in northern Luzon, where the 37th division captured Bayombong, capital of Nueva Vizcaya province.

Chungking dispatches reported the revamped Chinese air force, equipped with American planes and American-trained pilots, had begun a full-scale assault on Japanese bases in occupied China.

MANHUNT ON FOR ESCAPED CONVICT

LAFAYETTE, Ind., June 9 (U. P.)—A manhunt was concentrated today between Lafayette and Lebanon for Earl Frederick Griffin, 21, Hammond convict who slugged a Pendleton state reformatory guard and escaped last night.

The state police post here said that Griffin had not been sighted since he fled from Guard O. D. Williams' automobile six miles north of Lebanon with the officer's pistol.

Williams was en route from Hammond to the reformatory with Griffin when the convict attacked and beat him severely on the head and face. Griffin was being returned to Pendleton after a previous escape.

The guard reported the break to Sheriff Frank McCormick of Boone county at Lebanon, who called state police.

Griffin, under a two-to-five-year sentence for burglary, had escaped last Sunday from an Indianapolis hospital where he had been sent for treatment a month ago. He was recaptured in Hammond Wednesday.

According to state police, Williams stopped on highway 52 last night, near the junction of state road 47, Griffin leaped on him and beat him with handcuffs which shackled his wrists. He took Williams' gun and fled.

MASONIC ALUMNI MEET

The Indianapolis chapter of the Indiana Masonic Home Alumni association will have its regular monthly meeting at 2 p. m. tomorrow. Election of the trustees will be conducted and the recreation committee will report.

Local Men Serve Chow Near Manila



Serving chow at an observation post in the Sierra Madre mountains northeast of Manila are (left to right) Pfc. Walter Davis, Wagram, N. C.; Sgt. James Mindrup, 939 N. Pennsylvania st.; Pfc. Raymond Wiggins, husband of Mrs. Caroline Wiggins, 1832 Christopher Lane, Speedway, and Pfc. Antonio Sellito, Bronx, N. Y. The men are with the 38th division which is in action against the strong "Shimbu Line."

Austria Betrayed on Orders Of Nazis, Schuschnigg Says

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Schuschnigg was imprisoned in Gestapo headquarters in Vienna. He spent the next two years in solitary confinement at the political prison camp at Munch.

On June 1, 1938, he married by proxy in Vienna, with his brother Arthur filling his place. This was in direct violation of Gestapo orders, but Schuschnigg already had the papers from the church and legal permission to marry before his arrest.

"I was good there for us. There for the first time in seven years I was permitted to converse with someone besides my wife. We had many conversations there. We had a good time."

"There I met a man who became a very good friend of mine. He was M. Leon Blum, former premier of France."

From Dachau with 160 special prisoners, the Schuschnigg family were taken to Innsbruck in the Tyrol. A day later they crossed the Brenner pass to a prison camp near Munich.

"I was in the prison camp for six months and the American 88th infantry division."

THEN Schuschnigg and his wife and child were brought here to Capri, where he is completely free to come and go as he pleases and where he has G. I. jeeps to take him wherever he wants.

In the interview, conducted partly in the street and partly in an office at the Hotel Excelsior, Schuschnigg refused to comment on the future of Austria, or his own political future.

However, he said the German people were not to blame for the war, adding: "I am convinced that the great majority of German people hate war. I am convinced they had no choice. I believe the war was caused through Hitler, and Hitler alone."

Gen. Stilwell Has Close Call

MANILA, June 9 (U. P.)—Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell had a close brush with death on Luzon recently when Japanese artillery plastered an observation post he had just left, it was disclosed today.

Stilwell, touring the 33d division sector in the Caraballo mountains in northern Luzon with Maj. Gen. Percy W. Clarkson, had hiked to an advanced position to watch the Americans capture "Chocolate Drop" hill.

While an artillery spotter plane hovered overhead the Japanese gunners held their fire to keep from revealing their position. Stilwell climbed on a tank to watch the American shelling.

A few minutes after he left the tank, the spotter plane found itself in the American line of fire and dived out of the way. The Japanese, thinking the plane crippled, immediately opened fire on the position Stilwell had just left.

AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH YUGOSLAVIA

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agreement "in no way prejudices or affects" the ultimate disposition of western Venezia Giulia or Tito's claim to Trieste.

It specified that the Yugoslav government must return residents of the area whom they have arrested or deported, except for persons who possessed Yugoslav nationality in 1939. The Yugoslavs also must make restitution of property they have "confiscated or removed."

Any Yugoslav irregulars in the allied-controlled area will, according to the agreement, either hand over their arms to allied military authorities and disarm or withdraw from the area.

Using an allied military government, Alexander will govern the areas west of a line which includes Trieste, the railways and roads from there to Austria via Gorizia, Caporetto and Tarvisio, Pola and the anchorages on the west coast of the Adriatic peninsula. This line follows approximately the course of the Isonzo river.

Tito Expects Trieste

Tito has made clear since he stepped into the Trieste area that Yugoslavia expects to win the area at the peace settlement.

His militant action was condemned by Britain and the United States as a violation of the United Nations principle of peaceful settlement and Tito was warned repeatedly that the disposition of Trieste must await the peace conference where, according to Acting Secretary of State Joseph C. Grew, at least 30 other European territorial disputes must be submitted to arbitration.

There have been indications that the western allies will suggest that Trieste be made a "free city" to provide an outlet to the Mediterranean as a part of the Danubian countries.

EMMA RIEDIKER, 86, DIES AT HER HOME

Mrs. Emma Riediker, 1531 N. Rural st., died at her home today. She was 86 and one of the oldest members of the First Evangelical and Reformed church.

Services will be conducted at 3 p. m. Tuesday in Moore mortuaries, Peace chapel. Burial will be in Memorial Park.

Survivors include a daughter, Miss Edith Riediker, and a son, Frank, both of Indianapolis, and a brother, Frank Egly, Richmond, Ind.

EXPERT DENIES LINK WITH REDS

Larsen Says Possession of Restricted Data 'Normal.'

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Jaffe gave him some "information of vital importance concerning the White House" and Larsen turned it over to the state department where, he added, it was appreciated.

'Personality Expert'

Larsen defined himself as "the man in the United States who knows most about Chinese personalities."

"While it is true that since last September I have worked on matters concerning basic policies for future relations with China, including Manchuria, I am not really an expert on these matters," he said.

"But I am an expert and specialist on Chinese personalities, political groups and cliques."

He insisted he used discretion in assaying all the information with which he worked and that he never dealt carelessly with any information which he considered secret or restricted.

Grew Explains Procedure

(Acting Secretary of State Joseph C. Grew pointed out yesterday that top state department officials are authorized at any time to remove "top secret" or "restricted" labels from official information and make it public for quotation or background use.)

(He said the authority generally was limited to the secretary of state, undersecretary and assistant secretaries but occasionally existed farther down in the department, depending upon the subject in question.)

Communists Express Sympathy

CHUNGKING, June 9 (U. P.)—The Communist organ New China Daily expressed sympathy today for the six persons arrested in the United States under the espionage act in connection with the use of secret government files.

The newspaper said the six persons were "all prominent people and writers consistently sympathetic" to the Chinese Communist cause.

It described America, edited by two of the defendants, as a liberal American magazine which had bitterly attacked the United States policy in China in recent issues.

The Central Daily News, organ of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Kuomintang, withheld comment, but noted in headlines that all six persons had been to Yenan, center of the Chinese Communists.

ELLIOTT SUPPORTS PEACETIME DRAFT

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dreaming and doing for peace, at the same time we have the solemn and continuing obligation of being fully prepared to protect all that which is ours to protect," Elliott said.

Peace-time training means a "revolutionary change" in historic American policy, Elliott told the committee.

However, due to the tragic course of the past 30 years, he said, "it is my clear, though reluctant conclusion that this new thing needs to be done, and done now."

"Education Will Gain"

He said he would not "claim too much" for the many educational and health benefits some would attribute to a military training program, but added:

"Would it not be better for the American people to know and to feel that there is a desirable, necessary job in which all must assume a properly proportioned share if all are to retain a chance for living as Americans aspire to live during a period—not of peace, but of armed might?"

In contrast to statements made by many educational leaders before the committee, Elliott offered to "hazard the prophesy that higher education in this country will gain and not lose from universal military training"—although he said it would result in "revolutionary changes" in these institutions.

SPEEDWAY O. E. S. TO OPEN NEW BETHEL

A new bethel will be instituted in the Speedway O. E. S. room, Belle View and Michigan sts., at 8 p. m. today, according to Mrs. Mae Marcum Jacobs, past supreme guardian of the International Order of Job's Daughters.

Mrs. Lorna Boling, grand guardian, will institute the bethel, and the past honored queens of bethel 11 will be the installing officers.

The new guardian council will be Mrs. Arthur Carmichael, guardian; Mrs. Helen Dickinson, secretary; Mrs. Novela Groover, treasurer, and Mrs. Amy Boser, director of music.

BRADLEY RECEIVES A HERO'S WELCOME

MOBERLY, Mo., June 9 (U. P.)—Gen. Omar N. Bradley received a hero's welcome today as he arrived here by plane from Washington.

Despite heavy skies, a large crowd was at the airport when his plane arrived at 11:40 a. m. The general and his official party proceeded immediately to a hotel.

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Dutch Experts Pursue 20,000 Art Treasures

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custody" all worthwhile art in Jewish hands when the Nazis overran the lowland countries.

On one pretense or another, they even stripped one big museum of Jewish owned paintings there on loath.

A TEAM of Dutch experts is now patiently trying to trace these missing treasures wherever they may be—hidden in Holland or inside Germany. It is a task that would stump the FBI and Scotland yard.

Fortunately, Rembrandt's masterpiece, the "Night Watch," the greatest of the so-called Dutch corporation pieces, has survived bomb threats, risky overland transportation and German trickery.

So have the "Family Scene" by Jan Steen, "Jolly Peasant" by Van Ostade and the priceless renaissance-style, "Painter and Wife" by Franz Hals.

THEY, and other famous paintings by Vermeer and Ter Borch of the Dutch school, and by Rubens, Van Dyck and Bruegel of the Flemish school will soon be back from hiding, in the National museum in Amsterdam where they belong.

All museums in The Netherlands removed their treasures early in the war. They first stored them in north Holland and then in a more satisfactory and drier atmosphere, underground in the Haarlem dunes.

WHEN the Germans took over the Haarlem area as part of their fortress Holland defenses of the Atlantic Wall, the "Night Watch" and other priceless paintings were carried overland to caves in Friesland and then to a secret repository near Maastricht.

Dr. Arthur Van Schendel, curator of paintings at the National museum, expects to have all of the museum's 3000 paintings back in Amsterdam in a matter of weeks, as soon as transportation is available. Every one safe and sound.

DR. VAN SCHENDEL, who took over a collection of Dutch paintings for Chicago's world fair, credits Baron Roell, director of the Amsterdam communal museum, with keeping non-Jewish treasure from the Germans.

The Baron constantly reminded the German occupiers that removal of the paintings from wartime storage vaults would ruin them and he played on their vanity by suggesting that since Germany was going to win the war anyway, they might as well leave the paintings in storage.

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HITLER'S FATE STILL MYSTERY

Zhukov Believes He Could Have Escaped Into Hiding.

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that he married his mistress, Eva Braun 48 hours before the capital fell.

Gen. Nikolay Bezarin, military commander of Berlin, said that several bodies had been found one of which could have been that of Hitler, but that nothing definite had been established.

Hiding In Spain?

He said that friends close to Hitler had committed suicide but that Russian investigators had not been able to verify their accounts. "Possibly," Bezarin said, "he is hiding somewhere in Europe, probably in Spain."

The ruins of Hitler's chancellery were visited by correspondents but did not reveal any clues. The floors are still littered with private papers, dossiers and thousands of iron and silver crosses.

The correspondents had a field day, rummaging through the rooms and collecting souvenirs from Hitler's desk.

The huge crystal chandelier had miraculously been preserved and on the splintered marble walls hundreds of Red army men and sightseers had scrawled their names and home towns.

People Puzzled

The people of Berlin appeared to be as much puzzled about the Hitler mystery as the Russians were. They said most of the suicide rumors came from the British radio even before Berlin's fall. Bezarin said that many of the Berliners regularly listened to B. B. C. during the war but that none of them dared admit it.

He said that there was no doubt that Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels committed suicide.

He said that he had made a personal investigation of the fate of Goebbels and that the bodies of Goebbels, his wife and two children were found in one of the underground bunkers of the chancellery. Goebbels, he said, poisoned his children and wife with potassium cyanide and then took his own life. "As for Hitler," he said, "I leave it to you to find his body."

GIRL KILLED, 3 BOYS HURT IN CAR CRASH

DELAWARE CITY, Ind., June 9.—A girl was killed and three boys were injured when their car was struck by a freight train crossing near here.

Miss Mary L. Reynard, 16, R. R. 1, Albany, was killed instantly, state police said.

Injured seriously were Robert Blakely, 16, Albany, and William Bruner, 17, Muncie. The driver of the car, Robert Davis, 18, also of Albany, was not injured seriously. The three boys were taken to a Muncie hospital.

Alumni at Butler Entertain Tonight

Members of Butler university's class of 1945 will be inducted into the Alumni association at the annual alumni day supper at 5:30 p. m. today at the school cafeteria.

The business meeting and election of officers will be held at the supper. A feature of the meeting will be the presentation of gold legion medals to the surviving members of the class of 1895. The Butler Jordan philharmonic choir will sing.

On Picnic Today

Other events on the calendar of the university today were a picnic at 1 p. m.; a board of directors' meeting at 1:30 p. m., and class day exercises at 4 p. m.

A reunion of the Scarlet Quill, women's honorary organization, also is scheduled at 4 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Thor G. Wesenberg, 429 Buckingham dr.

Dr. S. Grundy Fisher, pastor of University Park Christian church, will speak at baccalaureate services at 4 p. m. tomorrow in the fieldhouse.

Following baccalaureate, the Women's Faculty club will sponsor a reception for graduates and friends at Jordan hall.

Commencement exercises at 10 a. m. Monday at the fieldhouse will climax graduation activities. John W. Bricker, former governor of Ohio, will be commencement speaker.

\$16,000,000 AIRPORT AID TO BE SOUGHT

Indiana intends to avail itself of about \$16,000,000 of the approximately \$60,000,000 in Federal funds earmarked for airport construction. Governor Gates stated yesterday at a meeting of the Optimist club in the Columbia club.

This federal subsidy would be matched with local funds to help make Indiana the crossroads of American aviation, the governor said.

He added that the newly appointed state aviation commission was charged with the responsibility of properly locating airports instead of pooling aviation operations.

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