

MILITARISTS Big Blow Heads For Charleston CROWD PRISON Leaving 50 Million Dollar Toll In Florida; Gulf Cities Escape

TOKYO, Monday, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Japan's militarists crowded Yokohama's prison today and with the technical arrest of Shigenori Togo—who as foreign minister he'd plunged his nation into a disastrous war—the manhunt for top-rung war criminal suspects was nearly ended.

General MacArthur summoned Japan's Premier Higashi-Kuni to his headquarters and it was believed he told the prince the same grim facts laid down to the new censored Japanese press Saturday.

That was a blunt statement Japan was a beaten nation. No equal of the Allies; hence Higashi-Kuni's government could not negotiate with the victorious powers but would do as it was told.

Italy Ready To Fight Territorial Demands

LONDON, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Italy's Foreign Minister and a delegation of experts were enroute to London tonight to battle in person at the Council of Foreign Ministers against Yugoslav and Austrian demands which they claim would bring economic ruin to their war-ravaged country.

Acide De Gasperi left Ciampino airport at Rome at about the same time a Yugoslav delegation headed by Vice Premier Edward Kardelj left Belgrade for London.

REDS APOLOGIZE FOR BOMBER SHOT

TOKYO, Sept. 16.—(AP)—General MacArthur lodged a strong protest with the Russians who shot down a U. S. Superfort over northern Korea and the Soviets subsequently apologized for the "mistake," Supreme Headquarters announced today.

The text of the protest over the incident, which occurred Aug. 29, was not disclosed. Headquarters said its language was strong.

Headquarters gave this account: The Superfort was flying over Russian-controlled Korea when Russian fighter planes intercepted it and by signals attempted to force it to land at a nearby air field.

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The report here said all members of the crew managed to escape. MacArthur's protest pointed out that the Superfort was obviously an American plane and had been shot down after the Japanese had been ordered to cease fire and keep all their planes grounded.

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The Russians said their pilots thought the Japanese might have repaired a Superfort forced down in Japan and were taking no chances.

Loss of South Tyrol would deprive Italy of industrial power feeding industries in Lombardy and Venetia provinces. In 48 years as master of the South Tyrol, Italy has invested billions of Lira in power plants that produce 500,000 kilowatts, 14 per cent of Italy's total production of electric power.

It wasn't learned whether MacArthur considered the case closed. This was the only known case where the Russians had any contact with the Americans' long-range bomber.

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BLUM ADVOCATES BLOC OF NATIONS

PARIS, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Former Premier Leon Blum says the formation of a western European bloc of nations is "one of the necessary conditions" for world peace but that the group must not be anti-Russian politically or anti-American economically.

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Blum, in a front page editorial printed in the Socialist party's organ Le Populaire today, said he and "our labor party comrades in Britain" hope for intimate rapprochement between Britain and France so the two nations "can exercise increased influence in the organization of universal peace."

The Third Fleet boss once announced it was his ambition to ride Hirohito's white horse down Tokyo's main street.

The socialist ex-premier declared a strong union of France and Britain "will forcibly result in attracting to unified Britain and France democratic states of northern and western Europe as well as the future Italian and Spanish republics."

Well, peace came and so did Halsey. But the Admiral veered off course and said he'd never been on a horse.

But Blum warned "there is no hope of constructing world peace without the cordial and confident" (Continued on Page Three; Col. 1)

This was painful to the Reno, Nev., chamber of commerce. It had heard of his ambition and sent along a silver-trimmed saddle.

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Halsey's old friend, Maj. Gen. William Chase had also heard of the yearning and so when the Admiral visited the First Cavalry Division commander today there was a horse saddled and waiting.

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Okeechobee Dikes Hold During Blow

TRUCK CROPS SUFFER
Daytona Beach, Palm Beach, Other Points Escape Serious Damage

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Sept. 16.—(AP)—Hurricane winds estimated at 90 miles an hour swept Lake Okeechobee last night, and the dikes held. There were no deaths.

Quebec Hails Miracle Girl As "Bernadette"

Here are some of the hundreds of people who come to visit the spring at Val D'or daily. In the presence of 5,000 persons, Pierette is reported to have brought about her latest miracle at this spot. The Church is investigating the incidents concerning the 13-year-old girl who is being hailed as Quebec's "Bernadette of Lourdes" by more and more persons each day.

Kelsey-Hayes Strike Continues; Labor Troubles Will Face Truman

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Early Bird



Christmas may seem quite a long way off to many, but here's Barbara Hale, Hollywood starlet, to remind you that there are many Yanks in far-away spots and getting those precious packages on their way is important. They should be in the post office between Sept. 15 and Oct. 15 (International)

AMERICAN OWNERS TO GET UTILITY

Chinese Government Plans Return of Shanghai Power Plant

By WALTER RUNDLE
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SHANGHAI, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Chinese government officials prepared today to return the city power plant—keystone of Shanghai public utilities—to its American owners tomorrow in the first major test of Chungking's 1943 treaty guaranteeing return of foreign property seized by the Japanese.

The city water plant will be returned to its British owners at the same time, a government spokesman said.

The development came as Adm. Thomas C. Kinkaid, Seventh Fleet commander, arrived on a minesweeper to examine progress made in removing mines in the harbor and other obstructions to evacuation of war prisoners, and as armed Japanese still swaggered through the streets.

Kinkaid left his flagship, the Rocky Mount, earlier today and boarded the minesweeper for the journey. The Rocky Mount and other vessels have been cruising off Shanghai for three days, while U. S. and Japanese minesweepers worked to clear the approaches.

Foreign interests were watching closely Chungking's handling of the utilities problem for indications as to whether other property held by the Japanese will be returned to foreign owners.

Chinese and American authorities began forcing Japanese to return thousands of tons of coal to the power plant, where only six days supplies are on hand now. The Japanese have been selling the coal throughout the city.

Meanwhile date for return of other utilities has not been set. The Telephone company, taken over in the name of T. C. Tsao, director general of the Shanghai Public Utilities Commission, still is subject to negotiation as is the Shanghai Gas Company.

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China's Premier Enroute Home After Money Talks

By MORRIS J. HARRIS
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Dr. T. V. Soong, China's Premier, is enroute back to Chungking today after far-reaching but unpublished conversations in Washington.

"T. V.," as he is known to his intimates, declined to discuss the details of his objective with newsmen. Instead he dismissed reporters' questions with, "we talked about most everything," and gave the impression satisfactory solutions were arrived at.

No one ventured atop the great embankments in the darkness lit by pickling flashes of hurricane lightning as the storm roared louder and louder until the 90-mile velocity was reached.

With more than 200,000 workers now idle because of disputes, and other strikes which would throw another 325,000 out of work threatened, the government is less prepared to meet a labor crisis than at any time in the past decade in the opinion of top officials.

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But today, with the winds gone and the sun returning, the lake was in the lake bed, not spread over some of the richest farmland in the United States. The dikes stood like ramparts, untouched by the storm.

Chief concern is over lack of any place of the War Labor Board, tribunal or machinery to take the place of the War Labor Board which the President has ordered liquidated. It is taking no new cases unless both parties agree beforehand to abide by its decisions.

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The proposed Labor-Management Conference, from which some substitute for the WLB may emerge, will not be called before Oct. 29 and perhaps not until Nov. 5.

Chairman George W. Taylor of the War Labor Board says there is no justification for believing there is a wave of unrest, however. He blames "bottleneck" strikes for most of the present idleness.

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In West Palm Beach and Palm Beach proper, the wind struck a maximum sustained velocity of 75 miles an hour, with gusts that touched 82 miles at 11 p. m. There were no deaths or injuries, but damage to trees and shrubbery was considerable.

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