

Clear to partly cloudy today, tonight and Sunday; a cool breeze tonight and Sunday and over north and west portions today.

— State Theatre Today —
"Radio Stars On Parade"
Starring
FRANCES LANGFORD

INDONESIANS SAY DUTCH USING U. S. EQUIPMENT



HE FACES REVOLT — Gen. Isiah Medina Y Angarita (above), president of Venezuela, faces a revolution with rebellious forces reported in possession of his home at Miraflores, a suburb of Caracas, Venezuela's capital. (AP Wirephoto).

SNYDER NOT FOR CEILINGS

Proponents Of Price Ceilings On Houses Expect Rebuff

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20. —(P)—Government proponents of price ceilings on housing were reported today ready to concede that Reconstruction Director John W. Snyder will side against them.

If he does, that probably will mean the end of the move, since Snyder will speak for the administration.

Those who have advocated ceilings on both new and old houses are known to have come away from a meeting with Snyder yesterday pretty well convinced they had lost their case.

The staunchest arguments for proponents were advanced at the meeting by Chester Bowles, price administrator, and John B. Blandford, national housing administrator.

RESERVES DECISION

Snyder reserved final decision, but he left the definite impression he felt it would not be a politically wise move to ask congress for legislation to fix ceilings, it was learned.

The same group had met with Snyder last Monday to present recommendations, and had left believing there was better than an even chance the reconversion chief would try to put a lid on housing costs.

The recommendations called for a price maximum on all new houses, a "generous" profit margin for builders.

Old houses if they had changed hands since January 1, 1943. In such cases the last sales price would be the ceiling.

Mongolia Votes On Independence

MOSCOW, Oct. 20. —(P)—The Mongolian People's Republic (Outer Mongolia) voted today on whether it wants to remain a nominal part of China or become independent.

The plebiscite was based upon an agreement made between China and the Soviet Union when they signed a treaty of friendship and alliance last Aug. 14.

All of Outer Mongolia's 900,000 citizens 18 years old or over are eligible to vote.

Outer Mongolia lies between Central Siberia and Central and Western China. Nominally a part of China, it became more or less autonomous during the first World War. The Soviet Union has considered the area under Chinese suzerainty.

WHAT'S DOING

SUNDAY
10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.—USO center open to service folk visiting in the city.

1:30 p.m.—Special committee on Young People's building for First Baptist church meets at the church.

MONDAY
10:00 a.m.—General board meeting of Kings Mountain Baptist association at First Baptist church.

7:00 p.m.—City councilmen, Chamber of Commerce, and bus company officials meet to discuss new bus station.

Senate Finance Group Approves Bill Cutting Taxes \$5,629,000,000

By Frances J. Kelly

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20. —(P)—Approval of the senate finance committee was stamped today on a bill cutting taxes a total of \$5,629,000,000 and giving individual taxpayers alone a \$2,648,000,000 break next year.

Corporations would benefit even more, by \$2,841,000,000.

The use tax on automobiles and boats would be repeated next July 1, for a revenue loss of \$140,000,000 in the last half of 1946.

The social security payroll tax would be frozen at 1 percent on employers and employees again next year.

Veterans would receive special benefits. Enlisted men would be forgiven the income tax on their service pay during the war years, and wouldn't even have to file returns. Officers would have additional time to pay the taxes which piled up while they were in uniform.

But the heavy wartime excise taxes on furs and cosmetics, movie tickets and liquor, light bulbs and jewelry would not be cut to their pre-war levels next July 1, as the house previously voted.

Nothing is final yet. The house ways and means committee originated a bill calling for a \$5,350,000,000 reduction. The house approved it. Now the sen-

ate finance group has rewritten it with the aggregate cuts made \$279,000,000 larger.

ROAD AHEAD
The bill has to pass the senate, go to a conference committee for adjustment of differences between house and senate, and win the president's approval.

The senator's formula for reducing individual income taxes is fairly intricate:

(1) The 3 percent normal tax is put on the same exemption base as the graduated surtax—\$500 a piece for the taxpayer and each dependent. Currently the normal tax is levied on net income above \$500 regardless of the number of dependents.

(2) The rate in each bracket of the surtax is lowered by 3 percentage points.

Up to there, that's the way the formula stood until late yesterday afternoon. Then the committee unexpectedly voted an additional \$563,000,000 of relief:

(3) The senator said: Figure

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Make Progress In Getting Yanks Home

Those In Europe To Be Home By February; In Pacific To Be Home By June

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20. —(P)—Five months and one week after V-E day, the job of getting American soldiers home from the Atlantic and Pacific is nearing the half-way mark.

Barring unexpected developments the war department expects to make good on the target it has set itself, which is:

BUENOS AIRES STILL UNEASY

Part Of Special Guard Recalled; Street Demonstrations End

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 20. —(P)—Patrol cars crowded the downtown streets of uneasy Buenos Aires early today, and police using megaphones advised a populace agitated by the swiftly shifting political scene to be calm and remain in their homes.

A short time later some of the extra police guards who had been placed over various parts of the city were recalled, but the police ordered extreme vigilance over the radical (Center) party, where the guard was strengthened.

Street demonstrations staged by supporters of Col. Juan Peron, newly restored to political dominance, ended yesterday following Thursday's nationwide strike arranged by Peron's supporters.

Presidents of three government banks have resigned their posts, it was learned.

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TODAY IN CONGRESS:

Fight On Tax Bill Shaping Up Between House, Senate

By MAX HALL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20. —(P)—The first month and a half of the sprawling postwar Congress ended today with the following fights developing fast:

Taxes—This fight will be House vs. Senate. The Senate finance committee has agreed on a tax-cutting bill sharply different from the one passed by the house. Somebody will have to yield.

Atomic—A battle over the President's atomic bill shaped up this week when scientists spoke out against it. The White House hoped a long, complicated struggle would be avoided by quick passage of the bill.

Military—Army chiefs asked congress this week to merge the Army and Navy. Navy chiefs are expected to argue against it next week. So far, Mr. Truman is officially neutral.

COMPULSORY TRAINING
Universal Training — The President will make a personal trip to

the capitol on Tuesday, to try to sell some sort of compulsory training for America's youth. Lots of law-makers are determined not to be sold.

The Senate finance committee worked all week on its tax bill, which the senate will probably debate next week — maybe Wednesday. Changes possibly will be made by the Senate during debate, but the committee's recommendations are always influential, to say the least.

The committee's bill cuts \$5,629,000,000 off of the \$32,500,000,000 experts say would be collected in taxes next year under present laws. That's a good deal more than the committee was expected to cut.

Also, it's more than the \$5,350,000,000 reduction made by the house.

LOW INCOME GROUPS

Under both bills, 12,000,000 people would be relieved of income taxes entirely, starting Jan. 1.

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JUNTA DRAWS REINS TIGHT ON VENEZUELA

Seven-Man Group Promises General Election By Secret Vote

PRO-DEMOCRATIC

By C. Allan Stewart

CARACAS, VENEZUELA, Oct. 20. —(P)—A revolutionary junta tightened its grip on oil-rich Venezuela today after unseating President Isiah Medina Angarita in a bloody uprising which cost 50 lives and left 100 wounded.

The seven-man junta, which promptly promised a general election by direct, secret vote, announced it would follow a pro-democratic policy.

The junta came into power after young army officers, ranging from the rank of major down, rebelled against the Andinos, a western military clique which had dominated national politics for a century.

(Bogota dispatches said the Andinos still claimed control of the western states of Tachira, Merida and Trujillo. Whether these states possessed sufficient armed strength to threaten a counter-revolution was called "conjectural.")

Persons with a knowledge of Venezuelan politics predicted the Andinos "will never voluntarily back down.")

President Medina and Gen. Eliazar Lopez Contreras, former president who had announced his candidacy for the 1946-51 presidency, were reported under arrest and scheduled to face a swift trial.

(Bogota advices, quoting Caracas radio, said the trial would be on charges of graft and fraud. They added that the former government leaders would be given an opportunity to explain the source of their fortunes publicly.)

A state of siege existed in Caracas, which had been isolated from the rest of Venezuela. Newspapers were censored, radio stations closed, transport paralyzed and electric current shut off.

Reinforcements from insurgent-held Maracaibo, 30 miles east of the capital, were reported enroute to restore order. Thousands of armed civilians had begun to loot Caracas homes shortly after the Mer-

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WILL DISSOLVE JAP ZAIATSU

Family Controlled Monopolies In Japan Must Be Ousted

TOKYO, Oct. 20. —(P)—Drafting of legislation to dissolve Japan's Zaiatsu—family controlled monopolies—must await the forming of a new cabinet expected to follow the general elections early next year, it appeared today.

Premier Kijuro Shidehara's ministers rate election reform their basic policy making task just now and plan to postpone some other fundamental reforms, including dissolution of the Zaiatsu, for a government "more representative of the people," said sources close to the premier after a cabinet meeting today.

Government sources also said the Shidehara cabinet probably would resign after the election, making way "for a younger, more vigorous government" whose premier largely will be determined by the outcome of the election. They added that the government believes extensive legislation essential for dissolution of the Zaiatsu should be presented to a more representative diet, elected under liberalized voting laws permitting participation of women and younger men.

RETURNING TROOPS
On the occupation front, Eighth army headquarters at Yokohama announced that 20 ships are to arrive within the next four weeks to return nearly 58,000 troops to the United States. The ships will bring replacements and equipment from Seattle.

The first four due are reported to be carrying 12,000 replacements—the first to arrive from the States.

An order designed to curb black market operations was issued by General MacArthur's headquarters today. It prohibits American military and civilian personnel from sending home any money

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War Trials Of Japanese On Atrocity Charges To Begin Within Few Days

By James Lindsley

TOKYO, Oct. 20. —(P)—War trials for the first of 2,000 Japanese on charges including sickening atrocities are expected to begin within the next 60 days.

"Approximately 500 suspects now are in custody," said Col. Alva C. Carpenter, Fort Wayne, Ind., corporation lawyer, who is directing preparations for one of history's greatest criminal trials.

"More are being taken in daily. No, we will not wait until all are arrested to start the trials. We could start with class three cases within three weeks."

Class three cases are those of Japanese accused of actual committing crimes such as beheadings, often done at the direction of superiors. These Japanese are regarded as small fry.

Colonel Carpenter, chief legal officer of General MacArthur's staff, said prospects for the criminal list make it likely the total will double the present figure of 2,000.

Among those already in custody are such well publicized person-

ages as Hideki Tojo, Japan's premier when the war began, members of his cabinet and such war leaders as Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, accused of responsibility for the brutal death march of Bataan.

MORE COMPLICATED

"Our problem here is considerably more complicated than in Manila," said the tall, square-jawed Carpenter.

"We already had been occupying Manila for a long time when the war ended, had prepared much of our evidence so about all we had to do was catch our defendants and go ahead."

"In Japan, however, we had to empty prison camps, interview prisoners about atrocities—in other words, start from scratch. Then we had to catch our criminals."

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Strike In Utilities Is Near Settlement

Agreement Reached After Gov. Kelly Threatens State Intervention

By The Associated Press

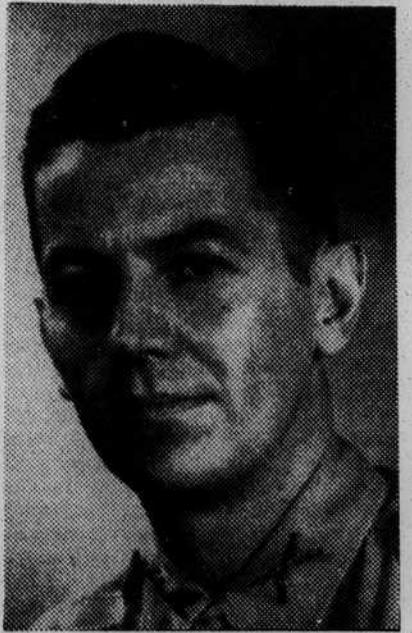
The three-day work stoppage of 2,000 utility workers appeared headed for settlement today as CIO union leaders urged the strikers to accept a new wage offer and go back to their jobs of servicing gas and electricity to some 2,000,000 consumers in 2,000 Michigan communities.

McKNIGHT TO ROME BUREAU

John P. McKnight Goes To Rome As Correspondent For AP

John P. McKnight, who recently was granted his discharge after three years in service during which he directed the army's educational program in the Antilles department stationed in Puerto Rico, has sailed for Rome, Italy, where he will resume his foreign service duties with the Associated Press.

Since 1930, with exception of his service interruption, Mr. McKnight



MR. MCKNIGHT

has been in the AP foreign service, having headed bureau operations for that news gathering agency at Lisbon, Portugal, Madrid, Spain, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Santiago, Chile, and other places including Puerto Rico.

SLATED FOR PACIFIC
Following his release from service, Mr. McKnight was slated for Pacific assignment, but with the change in correspondent structure under General MacArthur's orders he was assigned to the Rome bureau.

Mrs. McKnight will visit her parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Whorton, in Havana, Cuba, before joining her husband in Italy.

Mr. McKnight, son of J. S. McKnight, and the late Mrs. McKnight of Shelby, began his newspaper career as a reporter on the Shelby Daily Star, and later, after his graduation from Davidson, was a member of the staff of the Charlotte News before going with the Associated Press.

A settlement agreement was accepted by the union leaders last night as effects of the walkout were being felt in at least three large cities and as Gov. Harry F. Kelly threatened state intervention in manning the facilities of the consumers power company.

Their acceptance was subject to ratification by the 22 state locals of the CIO Utility Workers union and an early decision was expected. Union leaders agreed to a settlement after lengthy conferences with state and federal officials and representatives of the struck company.

Elsewhere across the labor front, there were new and threatening disputes while some controversies were settled. There were about 415,000 workers idle because of labor troubles, a drop of more than 42,000 feet in the last 24 hours. With the expected return Monday of most of the 216,000 soft coal miners after a month of idleness, the national total is expected to be around 200,000, the lowest in several weeks.

WAGE INCREASE
Terms accepted by the Michigan utility union leaders were for 13 cents an hour wage increase, the amount previously recommended by a special mediation panel and rejected by 17 of the 22 locals.

As supervisory and non-striking employees manned facilities, a near-normal flow of gas and electricity was furnished, but heating service in downtown buildings in Jackson, Battle Creek and Saginaw were affected by curtailment of service from central heating plants. Detroit, the state's biggest city, was not affected by the

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Funeral Today For Gen. Calles

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 20. —(P)—Funeral services were held today for Gen. Plutarco Elias Calles, 68, former president of Mexico, who died of a stomach ailment yesterday after an illness of several years.

President of Mexico for a four-year term, from Dec. 1, 1924, to Nov. 30, 1928, Calles was a dominating figure in Mexican politics for many years.

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Big Share Of War Fund For Benefit Servicemen

Have you contributed to the 1945 United War Fund drive? The campaign is now in its second week under leadership of Shem K. Blackley in Shelby and the county excepting Number 4 township where Byron A. Keeter is chairman.

The county's quota is \$23,932. Excluding Kings Mountain where \$5,000 is being asked. The county outside Shelby and Kings Mountain, where the campaign is being pressed through individual churches, is expected to provide \$10,000 of the total.

ALLOTMENT
The USO gets 70 percent of the 1945 fund to carry entertainment to American troops kept in Europe and the Pacific for occupation purposes, Mr. Hoffman said.

Soon after the final victory in World War II, USO officials

thought of bringing their activities to a close in a few months. Military leaders, however, urged this organization to continue its work until all the boys are brought home, or at least until large groups of American service men are no longer kept intact in foreign lands.

Thus, the USO is planning to operate at least 15 months longer, and is already arranging top-flight shows for the make-shift theatres wherever Americans are stationed.

The budget calls for expenditures averaging at least \$3,000,000 a month—compared with \$5,000,000 monthly expenses during the war.

In addition to the USO, 16 agencies charged with carrying relief to the friendly nations devastated by war, will share the remaining 30 percent of the National War fund.



THE REV. MR. KALE

CENTRAL HEARS KALE ON SUNDAY

New Pastor And Family Installed At Parsonage

Rev. W. Arthur Kale, named by the Western North Carolina conference to succeed Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., in the pulpit of Central Methodist church, arrived late Friday to occupy the parsonage, 310 East Marion, and will preach his opening sermon to his new congregation at the 11 a. m. service tomorrow. His topic will be "A Nameless Town That Also Became Famous."

Mr. Kale, who comes from First Methodist at Hickory where he made an enviable reputation, comes recommended as one of the leading younger ministers of the conference. A native of Asheville, he took his A. B. at Duke university in 1928 and his B. D. there in 1931 following graduate study also at Yale university. His previous pastorates include service at Kannapolis and Mooresville.

Mrs. Kale, the former Miss Ruth Rogers of Jefferson City, Tenn., and their two children, Billy, 10, and Tommy, 6, are at the parsonage today, but Mr. Kale was called back to Hickory to conduct a funeral service since his successor, Rev. J. Clay Madison, had not yet reached his new post.

Appropriations Bill May Be Changed To Discharge Measure

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20. —(P)—A move to convert a \$50,000,000 appropriations withdrawal into an Army-Navy discharge measure headed into the senate today after repulse on a technicality in the House.

If successful, it would effect the discharge of several hundred thousand men with 18 months of service who have dependents or a desire to resume interrupted schooling.

It might also provoke a veto. The bill already is loaded with a requirement for prompt return to the states of the United States Employment Service offices.

Violence flared yesterday at Semarang as a battalion of British Gurkhas troops occupied that port on the north coast of Java. In a three-hour skirmish, two of the Indian soldiers were killed and six wounded.

Lt. Col. J. A. Melsop, British headquarters spokesman, said the battle started when the Gurkhas were fired on from government buildings they were about to occupy.

An Indonesian governor, carrying a white flag, came through the lines and said that those firing from the buildings must have been Japanese, since he had given orders to Indonesians not to shoot at the British.

RED CROSS WORKERS

A Japanese officer attempted to reach those in the buildings and give an order to cease firing, but was unsuccessful.

At the pavilion hotel of Semarang the British found unharmed a group of workers for the Red Cross and an organization for relief and allied prisoners of war and internees.

They also learned that two war correspondents who had been reported killed in a telegram received by Indonesian officials in Batavia, were safe. They are Ralph Coniston of New York, representing Aneta, and Robert Osbiston, representing the Sydney Daily Mirror.

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Nazi Defendants Study Indictments

NUERNBERG, Oct. 20. —(P)—The Nazi leaders who face trial this morning and looked like collegians cramming for final examinations as they dug into their indictments.

"That's the most studious group I ever saw," one guard commented. The top-ranking Nazis read even during breakfast. As there are no electric lights in their cells and since the indictments were served late yesterday, this was the first chance they had to study the charges.

Only Field Marshal Hermann Goering seemed to have a completely detached attitude as he stretched out on his bed in what appeared to be deep thought. Asked if he had made any decision regarding his counsel, the former Luftwaffe chief replied, "I'll think it over awhile."

Soekarno Asks Truman To Prohibit Use

Java Natives Charge American Neutrality Is Being Violated

DUTCH HOSTAGES
By Ralph Morton

BATAVIA, JAVA, Oct. 20. —(P)—President Soekarno of the unrecognized Indonesian government appealed to President Truman tonight to prohibit the use of American equipment by Dutch forces seeking to quell the independence movement.

In a radio gram to the President, Soekarno charged that some of the persons fighting in Java were wearing American uniforms. The radio gram said:

"I beg to inform you that representatives of the Dutch government, in an attempt to reestablish Dutch colonial administration in Indonesia, have recruited their own army from Dutch prisoners of war and Eurasians wearing American uniforms and equipped with American arms, munitions and trucks to terrorize the population by:

"1. Shooting at innocent passers-by.

"2. Kidnapping and maltreating—even killing—civilians.

"3. Robbing private belongings.

"Protests have been made to Allied military headquarters without satisfactory results.

"I appeal to you please to disallow infringement of American neutrality and order the immediate discontinuance of American disguise by the Dutch."

The Netherlands news agency Aneta reported grave fears today for the safety of 31 Netherlands held as hostages since Oct. 4 by Indonesian "extremists."

Eleven women and four children are in the group of hostages, who were taken from the Bandoeng-Batavia train at Pondokgedé, an Indonesian Christian village southeast of Batavia, Aneta said.

Dutch forces captured Pondokgedé Oct. 14. They were approached under a flag of truce by nationalists who declared they would kill all the hostages unless the Dutch evacuated the village, Aneta added.

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