

5 ARE MISSING AS PLANE FALLS AT SEA

Japan Refuses To Open Yangtze To Traffic

FOUR POWERS TOLD DECISION MUST BE FINAL

Will Remain in Force as Long as Chinese Maintain Opposition

JAPAN LOOKS FOR CLASH WITH SOVIET

SHANGHAI, Nov. 29. (UP)—Japan today formally refused to reopen the Yangtze river to commercial navigation as demanded by the United States, France, England and Italy.

Admiral Koshiro Okikawa, Japanese naval commander in China, delivered a memorandum to that effect to the naval commanders of the four powers. The communique said, "We shall be compelled to stick to our decision as long as Chinese forces maintain their present attitude."

A Japanese army spokesman said today that mopping up operations in the Pearl river delta of Kwantung province had been completed, freeing an estimated 100,000 Japanese soldiers for a northward drive along the Canton-Hankow railway.

Simultaneously the Japanese war minister, Gen. Eiki Tojo, told Japan's munitions makers in a conference in Tokyo that they must turn out weapons and munitions in quantities sufficient to enable Japan to fight China and Soviet Russia at the same time.

All Japanese officials agreed that the war with China would be continued until Chinese nationalism is crushed and that when the Japanese pursue Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to the new defense areas he is building in the northwest, contiguous with Soviet Russia, there may be danger of Sino-Japanese complications.

The Japanese are frankly worried at the definitely pro-Soviet policy which Generalissimo Chiang and his associates have adopted and it was believed that this policy caused the Tokyo munitions conference at which General Seishiro Tagaki, imperial war minister, presided.

Tagaki told the munitions makers they must produce to their productive capacity at once since the army "must merit the confidence which the nation is giving it and set the imperial mind (Emperor Hirohito) at rest by achieving the mission which has been imposed upon it."

This "mission" as announced by Premier Prince Fumimaro Koyano, is to make Japan the dominant power in East Asia, and the war minister meant that Japan must be prepared to fight any power or group of powers which attempts to thwart this program.

The vice-minister, Gen. Tojo, then explained that Russia already is giving military aid to China and may give more in the future. For this reason, he said, the army must have munitions enough to fight Russia as well as China.

Namesake of First Lady Deb



(From NEA: (c) Bachrach) A post-Christmas debut party in the White House, the first since the days of Taft, will honor Eleanor Roosevelt, above, Boston and New York debutante, and niece and namesake of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

DUKE ACCEPTS BID TO PLAY AT ROSE BOWL

Will Battle Southern California in New Year's Day Contest

DURHAM, Nov. 29. (UP)—Duke university announced last night it had accepted an invitation to play University of Southern California in the Rose Bowl.

Duke, whose perfect season is the first among major college teams since Andy Kerr's Colgate Red Raiders pulled the trick in 1932, defeated Pittsburgh 7-0 in 1932, and the season unbeaten, untied and unscored on.

It will be Duke university's first trip to the Rose Bowl—and the fourth for Coach Wallace Wade, who has never been defeated in a Rose Bowl game. While coach at Alabama, Wade brought back two wins and a tie from Pasadena.

Coach Wade was elated over the invitation, but his sole comment was, "I think it's all right. All right."

Southern conference rules prohibit a member from playing post season games, but it has long been understood that members would vote to suspend the rules should they be invited to a post season "bowl game."

"We had pulled the other conference members," Wade said last night, "and had received enough replies to warrant our accepting the invitation. Some members haven't replied yet but we already had enough to accept. The others probably will phone in their votes tonight."

Wade, who depends on the fundamentals of football for his victories—punting, blocking and tackling—and lets the "razzle dazzle" take care of the rest.

Wants Japan to Win

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29. (UP)—Police yesterday arrested a man who identified as John T. Clarke, 34, for breaking a window in the Japanese embassy.

He explained that he wanted the United States and Japan to go to war—and for Japan to win. Police held him for investigation.

FRANCE READY TO COPE WITH GREAT STRIKE

Troops Pour Into Paris for Expected Disorders on Wednesday

GOVERNMENT, UNION AT GRIPS ON ISSUE

PARIS, Nov. 29. (UP)—The government will attempt to smash a general strike of 5,000,000 French workers tomorrow by strong handed methods. It was revealed that, while thousands of troops poured into Paris, several persons were injured in a clash with mobile guards in the first strike rioting at Valenciennes. The trouble started when pickets tried to prevent metal workers from resuming work.

It announced officially that all banks, schools and the stock exchange would open here and that all utilities, including subway, bus, telephone, telegraph, gas and electrical service would function but that industry will shut down entirely.

To keep the utilities operating it was believed that the government would resort to forceful means.

The General Confederation of Labor informed workers that those who refuse to strike will lose their union cards.

Meanwhile, the government warned civil servants or workers in nationalized industries they would lose their jobs if they struck.

The embattled government of Premier Edouard Daladier early today began moving police and military reinforcements into Paris to try to crush the 24-hour general strike called for tomorrow by labor leaders.

This action was taken after the powerful general confederation of labor last night rejected a compromise proposal that the strike be called off pending an emergency session of parliament to vote life or death for Daladier's government.

The French Atlantic fleet was at Lorient, with leave permission cancelled. All crews were ordered to remain near their ships and engineer officers were mobilized and sent to Paris to assist in operating railways, subways and utilities taken over by the government under a military order.

Reinforcements of police and soldiers were ordered last night between police and army authorities. It was estimated officially that 40,000 police will be on guard in Paris tomorrow, exclusive of troops already quartered in Paris and the suburbs. Paris forces will comprise 5,000 Republican guards, 15,000 police and 20,000 mobile guards.

It was significant that not many reinforcements were moving into Paris, as the government feels it might be necessary to maintain order throughout France.

Troops were ordered to remain in barracks, ready for instant orders tomorrow.

'Cracking Down' On Utilities To Be Postponed

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 29. (UP)—Securities and Exchange commission officials indicated today they would refrain from "cracking down" on public utility holding companies that fail to file tentative integration plans by the December 1 deadline.

They emphasized, however, that firms not filing plans would be expected to indicate intention of complying within a "reasonable time."

The deadline was set by SEC Chairman Douglas in a letter to the heads of 66 utility holding companies last August 3. He said that he expected them to submit suggestions, plans and programs under the so-called "death sentence" clause of the public utility holding company act by December 1 even though they may be tentative.

To date, 48 hours before the deadline, more than half of the \$14,000,000,000 industry has filed either formal or tentative plans for simplification of utility pyramids into single geographically and economically integrated systems.

Among the many systems indicating voluntary compliance was the Electric Bond and Share Co., one of the leading opponents of the public utility holding company act.

F. R. MAY VOICE PERSECUTION VIEWS TODAY

Looked for at Press Conference After Survey of Conditions

U. S. AMBASSADOR TO RETURN TO ROME

WARM SPRINGS, Nov. 29. (UP)—President Roosevelt's intimates today believed he might comment on affairs in Germany and Italy in a press conference late today.

The occasion would be opportune, it was said, since he has conferred twice in two days with Hugh Wilson, ambassador to Germany, and William Phillips, ambassador to Italy.

White House attaches said the president explored broad phases of anti-Semitism in both countries as well as the plight of Catholics and Protestants in Germany.

Italy will be spared the stinging rebuke that President Roosevelt gave Nazi Germany for its attacks on racial, political and religious groups, it was indicated at conclusion of little White House conferences with the nation's ambassadors to the two dictatorships.

Both Wilson and Phillips declined to discuss the conferences in the seclusion of Mr. Roosevelt's living room, but the fact that Phillips said he would return to his post next month was taken by observers to mean that the administration regarded the Berlin government in a class by itself. Both left by train for Washington yesterday afternoon.

Wilson, who was technically recalled by the chief executive to report on persecution of minorities by the Nazis, however, will remain in this country for an indefinite period. He objected to the use of the word "indefinite" when queried by newspapermen here, but admitted he "had a number of" (Continued on page three)

REWARD FUND HERE GROWING

Contributions Swell Reward for Church Robber to \$65, Announced

Chief of Police Otis Powers announced today that voluntary contributions to a reward fund for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties entering St. James Episcopal church had brought the total reward to \$65.

Chief Powers said that a number of people had expressed interest in apprehension of the person or persons who took the communion service from the church.

Chief Powers started the reward fund by offering \$25 personally for information leading to an arrest and conviction. Numerous other contributions have been received, he said.

23 Arabs, 2 British Soldiers Killed

JERUSALEM, Nov. 29. (UP)—Twenty-three Arabs and two British soldiers were killed and six Britishers wounded in an engagement at Mount Carmel. There was hand to hand fighting with swords.

SANTA AND STREET LIGHTS FEATURE OPENING TONIGHT FOR YULE SHOPPING SEASON

City High School Band Will Play for Procession; Contest Begins

Preparations neared completion today for the opening of Hendersonville's Christmas season to see the special decorations erected under the direction of the merchants division of the chamber of commerce.

Multi-colored lights suspended over the streets of the business district, silver-toned pine trees at the edge of the sidewalks, and gaily lighted and decorated store windows will be among the attractions, together with a window shopping contest conducted by the Times-News and 17 business firms.

To compete in the contest, the shopper is asked to find cards in the store windows bearing scrambled words and to unscramble these words to form phrases or sentences. Prizes of \$5, \$3 and \$2 are offered by the Times-News.

Participating firms are Kalin's Dept. store, Lewis Dept. store, J. C. Penney Co., Rose Pharmacy, The Fashion Shop, Brunson Furniture Co., Economy Drug store, O'Dell & Gossett Furniture Co., Leona Allen Young, Freeze Drug Co., Railroad Salvage Co., Patterson's Dept. store, Jennie Bowen's shop, Houston Furniture Co., Reliable Furniture Co., Duke Power Co., and The Leader.

At 7:30 o'clock tonight the colored street lights will be turned on, and at 8 o'clock Santa Claus will arrive in a specially constructed and decorated conveyance provided by the Shipman Motor Co. Having detoured since he left his home in the north, he will arrive over South Main street, accompanied by the high school band. The procession will move up Main street, stopping at each street intersection for a selection by the band, and at Seventh avenue will turn east and proceed to the depot street.

On his brief visit tonight, Santa will announce that he will be in Hendersonville next Saturday to participate in school day and to hand out candy. To the county school having the largest percentage of its enrollment in town that day, distance traveled also being taken into consideration, the merchant division of the chamber of commerce will award a cash prize of \$25. Second and third prizes will be \$15 and \$10. Pupils from each school will be required to register at the city hall in order to compete in the contest.

PILOT AND ONE PASSENGER IN PLANE SAVED

Pulled From Wreckage and Up 500 Foot Wall, Near Frisco

FLYING OFF BEAM; PASSENGER UNHURT

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29. (UP)—The coast guard announced that the pilot and one passenger had survived the crash of a United Airlines transport plane into the Pacific ocean near here today.

Five others aboard were missing. The announcement said the pilot, Charles Stead, and F. R. Edelstein, a passenger, had been pulled from the wrecked plane by ropes up the wall of a 500-foot cliff.

Stead lost consciousness when pulled over the edge of the cliff. Edelstein apparently was not injured.

SITE OF ACCIDENT IS VERY ISOLATED

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29. (UP)—A United Airlines mainline en route from Seattle to San Francisco with seven persons aboard and flying off its radio beam, made a crash landing in the ocean off a 500-foot cliff near Point Reyes, California, today. The plane was wrecked but the fate of those aboard, four passengers and three members of the crew, was not determined immediately.

The accident occurred in one of the most isolated spots along the California coast and, although the plane is but 30 miles from the Golden Gate coast, guardsmen and other rescuers estimated it would take hours to reach the wreckage.

Ambulances were sent from San Francisco and San Rafael.

FUSELAGE BROKEN, BOTH MOTORS GONE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29. (UP)—Civil aeronautics officials today said that preliminary advices by telephone on the crash of a United Airliner near San Francisco indicated that both motors were jarred from the plane and its fuselage broken in two.

MR. AND MRS. HUNT TO MAKE HOME HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Fred N. Hunt, parents of Mrs. S. J. Fullwood, have arrived here, where they plan to make their permanent home. They are from Cromwell, Ind., and are stopping at the Fullwood home in Laurel Park.

MAY BE PROMOTED

WARMS SPRINGS, Ga., Nov. 29. (UP)—President Roosevelt is contemplating naming Dr. Ross T. McIntyre, White House physician, to be surgeon-general of the navy with rank of rear admiral, it was learned last night from unimpeachable sources.

22 Snapping Tills Christmas Till Christmas

LOOKING SKEPTICALLY AT GERMAN PEACE PROPOSALS... LOOKING BACK TO CHRISTMAS 22 YEARS AGO... The world was looking skeptically at German peace proposals... Christmas packages for allied soldiers, and for the American ambulance units in France were solicited... Street shrines were being erected in London to honor the war dead... The Virgin Islands spent their first Christmas under the American flag... Women were wearing high waists and flaring tussy skirts.

BREVARD ROAD RESIDENT DIES

Miss Ollie Crawford, Age 70, Passes; Funeral To Be Wednesday

Miss Ollie Flora Crawford, 70, died this morning at 3:15 o'clock at her home on the Brevard highway, near Etowah.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p. m., at Mills River Methodist church, with interment in the cemetery there. Officiating will be the Revs. Mr. H. S. Hutcheson, and West.

Miss Crawford has been ill for about a week and death was attributed to pneumonia, following influenza.

She was the daughter of the late J. J. Huff and Armina Carolan Crawford. She is survived by two sisters, Miss R. E. Crawford, of Horse Shoe, and Mrs. Alice Ford, of Bessamer City.

Judge Pless Will Administer Oath To Clerks Here

All Superior Court Clerks of District Invited Here Monday for This

Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., of Marion, resident judge of the 18th judicial district, will administer the oath of office to all clerks of the court in the district on next Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock at the county court house.

Letters have been mailed to all clerks of the six counties of the district by Geo. W. Fletcher, Henderson county clerk, inviting them to be present for the ceremony here.

Clerks of the district are: Fred Proffitt, Yancey; Spaulding McIntosh, Transylvania; Robert F. McFarland, Jr., Polk; Fred Moody, McDowell; Frank Hall, Rutherford; and Mr. Fletcher, Henderson.

HOME FROM FLORIDA

Dr. Oliver Dahl has returned from a trip to Florida, where he spent some days.

Berlin Denies Report at London Nazis Mobilizing 3 Army Corps with Secrecy

LONDON, Nov. 29. (UP)—The News Chronicle, in an undated dispatch which could not be confirmed, stated today it had learned reliably that Germany was in the process of mobilizing three army corps of 110,000 men with the greatest secrecy.

Six divisions already had been mobilized and it was estimated that the three remaining divisions would be mobilized by next week-end, the dispatch said.

The News Chronicle said it was believed the mobilization was in connection with the situation in the Carpathian-Ukraine, or Ruthenia, autonomous Czechoslovak province. There have been disorders in this region for many days because of the demands of Poland and Hungary to annex additional territory there, in defiance of the German-Italian ruling fixing new Czechoslovak frontiers on this border.

The United Press in London telephoned Berlin and was informed nothing was known there of the reported mobilization.

The News Chronicle said that the army corps affected include the eighth (Silesian), stationed at Breslau; the 17th (Austrian) sta-

Canegie To Play Texas Christian

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 29. (UP)—Carnegie Tech today accepted an invitation to play in New Orleans Sugar Bowl, January 2, against Texas Christian university.

APPRECIATE PUBLIC RESPONSE IN RECENT JEWISH FUND APPEAL

Appreciation of public response last Saturday to the appeal for funds for Jewish refugees was expressed here today. The statement read: "On behalf of the Jewish National Fund, the local chairman and committee wish to extend thanks for the generous response of the many contributors to the recent Flag Day drive."

BRITONS PLAN TRIP TO ROME

Chamberlain and Halifax Project Parley There With II Duce

LONDON, Nov. 29. (UP)—Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain and Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax will go to Rome early in January to consult with Premier Mussolini on means of furthering Chamberlain's program of "peace within our time" resulting from the four-power Munich pact.

Official announcement of the Rome visit was made last night as Chamberlain, answering questions in the house of commons, denied the British government had undertaken any new military commitments to France during the three-day state visit which he and Halifax paid to Paris last week.

The announcement of the Rome trip, which will bring Chamberlain and II Duce together again for the first time since the Munich pact of Sept. 29, said it was in "pursuance of the policy of appeasement."

Anglo-Italian interests in the Mediterranean and North Africa, entering a new stage of collaboration as result of the formal enactment of the Anglo-Italian pact of friendship on Nov. 16 in Rome, will be discussed in detail as will the still awkward problem of the civil war in Spain.

The Rome trip probably will be part of a Mediterranean holiday which Chamberlain has been contemplating. It was believed that Chamberlain had received a formal invitation from Mussolini.

Fred J. Ballenger, Laborite in the house of commons, asked (Continued on page three)

CAR TAG SALE TO BE BENEFIT

Junior Welfare to Help Promote C. of C. Publicity Fund

A campaign to sell 1,000 Hendersonville city automobile tags for the benefit of the chamber of commerce advertising fund will be opened tomorrow by members of the Junior Welfare club.

The welfare organization will handle the sale of the tags, which bear the name Hendersonville, exclusively, and will receive about 25 per cent from the sale for use in the charity work of the organization.

The remainder of the proceeds from the tags, which sell for \$1.10 each, will go directly into the chamber of commerce advertising fund and will be used in this manner during the spring.