

Spy Ring Exposed In France

Charge Amateur Aviator Sold Military Data

German-Italian

Photographs and Maps of Frontier Regions Discovered by Authorities

Paris, July 25. (U.P.)—A network of German and Italian spies along France's frontiers was revealed tonight with the arrest of a French amateur aviator and newspaper reporter.

Aviator Arrested

The aviator, Jean Sellier, was charged with divulging military secrets to Germany following his arrest in Paris after months of surveillance.

The Leftist newspaper Ce Soir reported the existence of a band of spies reporting to the Spanish government as well as Rome and Berlin on the movement of French ships and persons between France and Spain.

A German Consul

Authorities seized correspondence with the German consul at Bordeaux as a collection of aerial photographs and maps of the Italian and Swiss frontier regions and certain airdromes marked.

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Battle Begins Afresh Along Chinese Front

Fighting Resumed Between Peiping and Tientsin; Planes In Action

Tientsin, Monday, July 26.—Japanese soldiers forced Chinese troops out of Lanfang today in a clash which renewed years of general warfare in North China.

After several hours of fighting Japanese troops occupied the barracks at Lanfang, strategic point on the Peiping-Tientsin railway and halfway between the two cities, according to the Domei (Japanese) news agency.

Tientsin, Monday, July 26.—(U.P.)—Fighting has broken out between Japanese and Chinese forces at Lanfang midway between Peiping and Tientsin.

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Negro In Hospital With Knife In His Brain

Reuben Limbousher, Negro of the Currituck WPA transient camp, was removed consciousness last night at the Albemarle Hospital after following an affair Saturday night in which he received a blow through the center of the forehead.

W. L. Jackson, 28-year-old Negro of 629 South Martin street, was in the Pasquotank county jail today when he had been placed by local police officers to await the outcome of Limbousher's injuries.

Limousher was probably will be charged with murder following the Currituck Negro fail to show up for his injury.

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Rebels Recapture Much Lost Ground

Widow



LOVELY Marchesa Marconi, widow of the famed inventor of wireless who died in Rome, Italy, recently of a heart attack. She is the former Countess Maria Cristina Bezzel-Scaili, member of an old Roman family.

Marconi was previously married to the Honorable Beatrice O'Brien of England, but the marriage was annulled by the Vatican in 1905.

Aged Mormon Polygamist Is For The Idea

One of Heber Grant's 3 Wives Survives; Has a Family of Ninety

London, July 25.—(U.P.)—The living personification of his philosophy that "you're only as old as you feel", eighty-year-old Heber Grant, white-bearded president of the church of the Latter Day Saints, arrived today for the centenary of the Mormon church in England, to be celebrated next week-end.

With him came Reuben Clark, former ambassador to Mexico and first counselor of the Mormon church.

Grant, who described the centenary as "the one hundredth anniversary of the Mormon church."

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Interest Is Keen In the Trial of Whitehurst

Former Ahoskie Official Is On Trial for Embezzlement

Winton, July 25.—Interest is running high here in the case of Raymond C. Whitehurst, former clerk and treasurer of the Town clerk and treasurer of the Town of Ahoskie, who is to be tried in Hertford County Superior Court here this week on charges of embezzling \$25,473.04 of town funds over a period of nine years.

The outcome of the trial of the former official whose defalcation shocked the county when revealed by an audit of his books last March has become a subject of discussion and speculation of major proportions during the past few days.

On April 8, when the work of the auditors showed the amount of the defalcation.

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Dictator Plans Drastic Changes In Cuba

Havana, Cuba, July 25.—(U.P.)—Col. Fulgencio Batista, dictator of Cuba, revealed tonight a three-year social, political and economic plan to regiment almost every phase of national life.

The plan indicated that the blunt-spoken former sergeant, who was installed and deposed four of Cuba's seven presidents in four years, was determined to continue his dictatorship.

The reconstruction plan includes far-reaching educational, and sanitary projects for establishment of hundreds of agricultural and civil military and rural schools, construction of hospitals, enforcement of anti-tuberculosis and anti-cancer campaigns, regulation of the medical profession and enactment of pure-food legislation.

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Follow Up Recovery of Brunette With Mass Attack

Cavalry In Battle

Loyalists' Newly-Made Entrenchments Are Overwhelmed by Drive

Madrid, Monday, July 26.—(U.P.)—The largest rebel army put into the field in Spain's year-old civil war early today drove to the heart of the hard-won loyalist sector 15 miles west of Madrid.

The rebels, led by 20,000 Italian shock troops, through a blazing pit of loyalist resistance in the Guadarrama Gulleys and advanced nearly four miles from Brunette to the gates of Villanueva de la Canada.

Brunette, which fell to Gen. Francisco Franco's insurgent legions Saturday, was the spearhead of the 15-mile Salient driven by the loyalists 10 days ago in the biggest battle of the war.

The loyalists admitted officially that they hurriedly constructed defense lines outside Brunette, (shown up early today when government troops abandoned the town to the enemy, had collapsed.

The struggle for possession of Villanueva de la Canada raged through the night with an estimated 250,000 men involved.

A loyalist communique said the "government defenses north of Brunette broke before a furious onslaught of scores of tanks, a curtain of artillery fire and exceedingly heavy air bombing of the government lines."

Loyalist troops, it was explained, retired to the outskirts of Villanueva de la Canada and reserves were rushed up from the rear to help defend the town while the enemy pressed in from three sides.

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Charged With Exploiting His Two Daughters

Father Is Held In Florida Jail On Series of Revolting Accusations

Miami, Fla., July 25.—(U.P.)—Authorities drew charges tonight against a 40-year-old father who they claimed admitted holding his two young daughters in white slavery and bartering their love to the highest bidder.

County Solicitor Robert R. Taylor said the man admitted he forced his two daughters, 13 and 16 years old, to conduct themselves immorally.

The county solicitor said he will file two incest charges against the father tomorrow, and a third count charging a "crime against nature."

The father, who works as a barber, has indicated he will plead guilty to the statutory charges. He was being held in Miami's skyscraper jail on an open charge of incest.

According to Taylor, the father is being held in only three or four months.

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Extension of the present debt moratorium.

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Rising



AN up and coming figure in the field of life insurance in Elizabeth City is Kermit Ackiss, above, who took over the management of the Edenton-Hertford-Elizabeth City territory for the Metropolitan Life Insurance company on July 1.

Coinjock May Not Lose Camp

At Least Not Just Yet; Removal Order Likely to Be Rescinded

Manteo, July 25.—From sources close to National Park Service officials here came a rumor today that the recent order to remove the Negro transient camp from Coinjock is to be rescinded.

According to report, the few Coinjock residents whose complaints had led to the order for removal of the camp from Currituck county have buried their grievances and stated to park service and WPA officials their willingness to allow the camp to remain at Coinjock, where it has been located for over a year.

This camp, which is housed on barges made fast to the canal bank at Coinjock, carries a personnel of around 200 Negro transient campers.

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Facts About Manteo's Band

Director Gorman Has Built Up a Creditable Forty-Piece Band

Manteo, July 25.—For several months Gene Gorman has been working steadily striving to make the Manteo WPA band one of the features of the town. During this time his efforts have been well spent. He has made of the local band something that the community should be proud of.

It isn't an easy job for one to take a bunch of boys, among which many have never touched an instrument before (some in reading notes not even knowing whether the tone for a certain note is lower or higher than the preceding one), and successfully conducting them into playing well in only three or four months.

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Establishment of marketing and consumption cooperatives.

Widespread reforestation and waterwork developments, including construction of aqueducts for irrigation projects.

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Judicial Reform Measure Will Be Presented Today

Rumanian King Warned Not To Upset European Balance

Carol's Political Flirtation With Germany and Poland Arouses Ire of Members of the Little Entente

Paris, July 25.—(U.P.)—King Carol of Rumania, whose diplomatic flirtations with Berlin and Warsaw threatened to upset the delicate balance of middle-European politics, tonight apparently had been rudely awakened by the combined diplomatic pressure of France, Britain and Russia.

Carol prepared to pack his trunks and leave for Berlin on his tour of European capitals, rebuffed by France and Britain in his efforts to have the French and British legations at Bucharest raised to the rank of embassies.

Behind this apparently innocuous refusal was a sharp warning of both governments, and indirectly from Moscow, to stop tampering with the present balance in central Europe.

The factual side of the curious diplomatic rebuke was the blunt advice to Carol to "put Nicholas Titulescu back in office as foreign minister and stop playing around."

Titulescu was the bulwark of Franco-Rumanian relations and as foreign minister was chiefly responsible for Rumania making peace with Russia. Russia, negotiating a non-aggression treaty with the Little Entente in 1933, agreed to let Rumania keep Bessarabia, which was sliced off as Rumania's share of the territorial profits of the war.

In 1934 diplomatic relations were resumed between Moscow and Bucharest after conversations between Russia's sturdy foreign spokesman Maxim Litvinov, and Titulescu.

Since then Titulescu has been replaced by Victor Antonescu as foreign minister, and Rumania's foreign policy has swung sharply toward Berlin and Warsaw, and away from the Anglo-Franco-Russian orbit.

When Carol visited here after his trip to Warsaw, where new Polish relations presumably were cemented, French diplomats made it plain they wanted Titulescu back as foreign minister at Bucharest.

It was reported the French government said: "No more credits until Titulescu is back."

Carol left Paris for a brief visit to London without making any definite promise, and almost immediately Moscow's Pravda, of-

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Park Will Aid Control Of Erosion

Officials Think Coastal National Park Will Help Erosion Work

Raleigh, July 25.—Department of Conservation and Development officials are looking toward the Department of Interior's move to establish a Coastal National Park as a means of bolstering North Carolina's defense against infringement of the Atlantic ocean along the "banks" and in accelerating beach erosion control.

The Department and the U. S. Beach Erosion Board have worked jointly to prevent the slow destruction of the picturesque "banks." Begun some eight years ago on a modest scale, the survey and control activities have been extended to cover a greater portion of the entire length of the North Carolina coast, from Kitty Hawk on the north to Fort Fisher on the south.

The trailerized dentist's office has been located at Kill Devil Hills.

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Hertford's Library Gets Off to Good Start

Hertford, July 25.—A run on child lore books predominated on the opening day of Hertford's first public library which, under the auspices of the Woman's Club, got underway to a good start Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Brooks Whedbee is the librarian in charge and is on duty from nine until 12:30 and from 1:30 until five o'clock every day except Saturday and Sunday. The library is located in the Woman's Club house on Academy street.

Five hundred volumes now available include fiction, classics, children's story books, history and travel books. A new shipment is expected shortly from the state library, according to Mrs. Whedbee. Those books already composing the library were secured thru donations by the members of the Woman's Club. Additions from the State library will no doubt bring this one to a par with other libraries of the section.

The books are loaned for a two-week period without charge, however, a penalty goes into effect after the gratis days expire.

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ABC Store Is Doing Good Business

Profits for Quarter Ending June 30 Reported to Be \$10,359

Pasquotank County's ABC store made a profit of \$10,359.61 during the three-month period ending June 30, according to the quarterly audit just completed by the firm of Bundy & Moran. City and county will not be enriched by that much spending money immediately, however, as \$6,000 of the amount will be added to the store's working fund, in order to furnish the capital necessary for the carload buying which is now the practice of the board. After deducting the \$6,000 as well as \$517.98, the five per cent allocated to law enforcement, \$3,841.63 remains for division, the city receiving \$2,113.89 and the county \$1,727.74 on the basis of their respective tax valuations.

A total of 50,261 units were sold by the local store for \$43,624.05. 71,927 units were purchased at a cost of \$38,995.48 and inventory at the close of the period was \$1,902 units costing \$30,345.22.

Of the profit \$9,776.08 was from sales of goods, \$578.48 in cash discounts on purchases and \$5.05

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Wright Memorial Beacon Presents A Problem

Custodian Tells Why He Can't Turn It On; Beacon Is Ready

Kitty Hawk, July 25.—Horace Dough, custodian of the Kill Devil Hills National Monument, indicated today that it may be several years before the beacon atop the Wright Memorial will be set into operation.

The Wright Memorial, designed largely as a beacon, was completed in 1931 but the 30,000 candlepower beacon which should be sending its beams out over the Atlantic for a distance of 30 miles yet remains unlighted.

Custodian Dough wrote to the National Park Service in May and asked permission to stage a beacon during the nine weeks of the Roanoke Island celebration this summer, darkening it on the seaward side so as not to confuse navigation. The request was promptly sent on to the Commissioner of Lighthouses, who to date has ignored it.

"I can't understand why the Commissioner won't grant this request," said Mr. Dough. "When it was planned to stage a celebration on Roanoke Island in 1934, a similar favor was requested and was speedily granted. However, just a few days before we were to turn the beacon on, lightning struck one of the power cables

and the beacon was destroyed. It is expected that the landing field will be in readiness by July

Telephone lines now running along the right side of the highway in the vicinity of the airport will be put under ground within the next week and high tension lines of the Utilities Company, now on the left side of the highway, will be moved back some distance. One of the large Ford Trimotor transport planes is expected to come down immediately upon completion of the field for a stay of several days to carry passengers and make regular flights.

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Probably Last Major Bill of Current Session

Others Pending

Wage-Hour and Tax Loophole Legislation May Be Acted Upon

Washington, July 25.—(U.P.)—A congress anxious for quick adjournment expects to receive its last major bill of the session tomorrow when the senate judiciary committee acts on a measure to reform judicial procedure in the lower courts.

After Few Months Fight This bill, drafted by a subcommittee headed by Sen. Pat McCarran, D., Nev., is the net result of more than five-months battling over the issue of supreme court reorganization and will make no mention of that tribunal. The opposition Democrats who dictated its terms and the administration have agreed to join in putting it through.

It is the only bill, however, that is generally agreed on. During the coming week congress probably will decide how much of president Roosevelt's program will be acted on before the gavel falls in senate and house for sine die adjournment. The bills with the best chances of surviving the rush to go home are:

A wage and hour regulation measure.

The Wagner Housing bill.

Tax Evasion Bill

A bill to close tax loopholes which have enabled some wealthy persons to avoid large payments to the treasury.

A greatly modified executive reorganization bill.

Possibly a general farm bill.

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Utilities Co. Must Pay Four Million More

Treasury Levies Additional Tax On the Howard C. Hopson Interests

Washington, July 25.—(U.P.)—Treasury officials tonight disclosed they had filed a tax claim for approximately \$4,000,000 against the Associated Gas and Electric Company—the heart of the sprawling utility empire controlled by Howard C. Hopson.

Hopson, bitter foe of new deal power policies, was reported to have spent more than \$1,000,000 in a futile effort to defeat the public utility holding company act and its so-called "death sentence." The new claim brought the total pending assessments against Hopson's power kingdom to \$50,000,000.

The treasury's latest move followed a reexamination of the books of the Associated Gas and Electric Company which is reported to have revealed that large sources of income had not been tapped by revenue collectors. They included earnings from sales of power, coal and water as well as intercor-

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Would Extend Paris Exposition a Year

Paris, July 25.—(U.P.)—Premier Camille Chautemps tonight asked Thomas Watson, chairman of the U. S. delegation to the Paris World's Fair, to inquire whether the United States would consent to extension of the exposition for one year.

Under an international agreement, one year must lapse between expositions. The New York fair opens in 1938, hence there should be none in 1938. But French exposition buildings still are unfinished and officials want to prolong it.

If the United States consents, the exposition will close in November and reopen next May.

TODAY'S LOCAL CALENDAR
A. M.
3:30 Mens Christian Federation
10:00 Ministerial association.
P. M.
1:00 Rotary Club
4:00 First Baptist WMS; First Methodist Ellen Willis and Belle Bennett circles.
8:00 Pceahontas; Kiwanis Jr. Glee Club; W. O. W.; American Legion.
Library Hours: 10-12, 2-6.