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Truman May Tell Future Plans For Sec'y Stettinius

War Criminal?



ALFRED KRUPP, 37, head of Germany's vast armament and munitions industry, has been placed under arrest by the British for possible trial as a war criminal. Krupp backed the Nazi party from its infancy. This picture was taken last April, shortly after his capture by Allied forces. (International)

Role Of Secretary Is Being Weakened By Floating Rumor

San Francisco, June 25.—(AP)—President Truman's arrival today to help wind up the United Nations conference in a brilliant round of ceremonies and speech-making, may also lead to the speedy wind up of another situation—the future of Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., as secretary of state.

In the American delegation and other diplomatic groups here, there is considerable speculation that the President may indicate either publicly or privately his future plans for Stettinius before he leaves here tomorrow night.

There are two main reasons for this view. The prolonged speculation that Mr. Truman may intend to replace Stettinius in the secretaryship with James F. Byrnes, former director of war mobilization, is weakening Stettinius' official position, in addition to being personally embarrassing to him.

2. Now that the conference has come up to a successful conclusion, with the charter of the world organization ready for final, formal approval and signing, Stettinius' immediate task is done, and a breaking point has been reached.

A big three meeting is close at hand, but it is another job and if Stettinius is to prepare for it as secretary, he may want to know without delay if Byrnes or some one else is going as secretary, with Stettinius probably in some other capacity, that also will have to be decided without delay, since the time is short.

It seems evident that persons close to Stettinius here do not know what the answer is, even though they refuse to discuss the situation on the ground that it is a White House matter.

Senate Okay Of Treaty Is Assured

Some Groups Favor Adequate Debating Of Issue, However

Washington, June 25.—(AP)—Senate ratification of the United Nations charter remains largely a question of timing today, with 52 senators already on record for it.

Some of the warmest advocates of American participation in the international peace-keeping organization want to take full advantage of the momentum built up at San Francisco. They want to push the ratification resolution through the foreign relations committee and out to the Senate floor. Critics, however, full, unreservedly, of the treaty, are in both phases. They say it could be both physically impossible to ratify the charter in time for President Truman to take it with him to the big three meeting. They also believe the American people as well as senators will profit by a thorough study and discussion of the document.

The disclosure that at least 52 senators are committed firmly to ratification, barring unforeseen developments, was made over the week-end in an Associated Press poll.

State Rests On Meadows

Greenville, June 25.—(AP)—The State rested its case today against Dr. Leon R. Meadows, and, after hearing prolonged arguments, Judge J. Paul Fritzsche awarded defense motions for directed verdicts of nonsuits and innocence in eight of the ten counts against the defendant.

Meadows is charged with embezzling more than \$14,000 in connection with his handling of special and student funds while president of East Carolina Teachers College.

The State specifically charges that the defendant used funds of the college for improvement of his own private property in Greenville. It was brought out during the first trial, which lasted eight weeks, and resulted in failure of the jury to agree that Dr. Meadows own numerous dwellings in Greenville which he rents.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Partly cloudy and warm in west, rain and cooler east portion today and early tonight, followed partly by cloudy late tonight and Tuesday; warmer east portion Tuesday; rain squalls and winds near hurricane force on the east coast today, diminishing tonight.

CONTINENT SPRINGBOARD FOR JUMP TO PACIFIC AREA



TENTS AND BARRACKS cover ten square miles in this photo of the largest U. S. redeployment area in Europe where thousands of Yanks are being processed for direct shipment to the Pacific war theatre. The staging grounds are located on the outskirts of Marseilles, France, eighteen miles from the city. The huge American "city" is commonly known to GIs as the "Stepping Stone to Tokyo." (International)

More Meat Is Forecast By Anderson

Supply Will Depend On Slaughtering, Secretary Asserts

Washington, June 25.—(AP)—Clinton P. Anderson today forecast more meat for the nation's dinner table if the Senate goes along with new slaughtering rules written by the House into extended price controls.

The New Mexico Democrat, who moves next Monday from his House seat into sweeping control over food as secretary of agriculture, said the change provides a weapon to deal with the black market and to channel more meats to the dinner table.

Anderson, however, declined to discuss in the same interview another House amendment designed to give him even greater authority in his new post, including veto power over OPA price and rationing orders.

Argentina Still Holding To Nazis Despite Pledges

Washington, June 25.—(AP)—A Senate committee received State Department evidence today that Argentina had failed to eliminate a single case of suspected German economic penetration.

Appearing before a military subcommittee studying Nazi plans for a third world war, assistant Secretary of State William L. Clayton submitted documents summarizing results of a department campaign to stamp out Axis spearheads in Latin-America by suppressing enemy control of various business enterprises, with friendly ownership.

Clayton said that in the case of Argentina—most recent Western Hemisphere member of the United Nations—there are 104 such spearheads in which no action or non-elimination action has been taken as of today.

GEN. MARK CLARK IN AUSTRIAN COMMAND

Rome, June 25.—(AP)—General Mark W. Clark has been chosen to command United States occupation forces in the American zone in Austria, and may begin to move Allied units into sections of Vienna within three weeks, it was learned on good authority today.

An Allied reconnaissance mission, which has spent some time in Vienna, already has arrived in London, with recommendations for boundaries of the occupation zone.

Hurricane Sweeps Across Carolina Capes, Beaches

Norfolk, Va., June 25.—(AP)—F. B. Whitney, in charge of the Norfolk weather bureau, said at 11 a. m. today, "it looks like the tropical storm is curving inland from Myrtle Beach, S. C., and in that case it should diminish rapidly."

He added that Norfolk may get some showers and winds, and tides above normal tonight, but saw no reason to expect any severe storm.

Charleston, S. C., June 25.—(AP)—The center of the tropical hurricane sweeping up the Atlantic seaboard passed forty miles east of here today and swung northeastward parallel to Carolina's beach resort areas.

The weather bureau said the corps of the storm would pass over or slightly east of the Carolina capes this afternoon, and that strong winds from gale to full hurricane force would be felt north of here to Hatteras.

Precautions were advised along the beach resort area, now at the height of the summer season, and areas northward to Norfolk were urged by the weather bureau to stand by for frequent advisories.

Vacationists at Wrightsville and the Carolina beaches near Wilmington were evacuating the areas. At 7 a. m. police estimated that two-thirds of the visitors had already moved inland from the beaches.

Arnold Proposes Extensive String Of Pacific Bases

Honolulu, June 25.—(AP)—Retention of an extensive string of Pacific island bases in the interest of America's future security was advocated by General H. H. Arnold, head of the army air forces, in a press conference here Sunday.

"Our air power must be in a position to carry our attacks home to the heart of any aggressor, who may threaten us," General Arnold emphasized. "Our own B-29s already can strike anywhere in the world if we keep the use of certain strategic bases."

He cited "as essential for our future security, the bloodily won islands of the Marshalls, Palau and Volcano, as well as unrestricted use of Wake, Canton and the Christmas Islands."

Japs Leave Oil Fields Of Borneo

Manila, June 25.—(AP)—After doing their best to salvage all oil wells, Japanese evidently are abandoning some of Borneo's richest petroleum areas to the invading Australians.

Australia's ninth division drove down the Borneo north coast toward the Miri oil fields against slight opposition yesterday, and already have taken Seria, potentially richest oil area in the British empire. At least 21 of Seria's oil wells still were flaming from Japanese torches, however.

More than 150 American and Australian bombers continued the aerial blotting of the southeastern Dutch Borneo port of Balikpapan, but there was no confirmation of Tokyo radio reports that the Allies had attempted landings there which had been "completely checked."

The last enemy resistance on Labuan island, on Brunei bay, has been smashed, the Melbourne radio reported. General MacArthur said other Australians had cleared Crakan Island.

Hirohito Tells Japanese People "To Win Or Die"

San Francisco, June 25.—(AP)—The Japanese people were given a "win or die" ultimatum today in a directive stemming from Emperor Hirohito.

Members of the people's volunteer corps were told not to be taken alive or surrender, in the event of an Allied invasion of the homeland—in other words, win, get killed or commit suicide.

The order was contained in a new manual for the home front forces.

Motors Show Good Demand

New York, June 25.—(AP)—Medium and low-priced motors attracted substantial buying in today's stock market, although many leaders still had to contend with light offerings.

Given a lift were United Air Lines Eastern Air Lines, General Electric. On the off-side were Chrysler, Good-year and Boeing.

Bonds and commodities were a little uneven.

Flaming Week-End For Japs In Blow From U.S. Bombers

Okinawa Paying Off As Great Airbase; Japs Seek Way Out

Guam, June 25.—(AP)—Hard-won Okinawa was paying off as an airbase today, with American raids announced against Kyushu, the Sakishimas and elsewhere in the western Pacific, while the last scattered Japanese survivors were being killed or rounded up.

Small bands of Japanese were vainly trying to filter into the northern hills of Okinawa, which already had cost them more dead than any single Pacific island, with the possible exception of Luzon.

While this plodding land action was still in progress, army Thunderbolt planes on Saturday bombed Rozuki airfield on northern Kyushu, one of Japan's main islands.

FLAMING WEEK-END FOR JAPS FROM AIR STRIKES

Manila, June 25.—(AP)—Fifth air force Lightnings, Mitchells and Liberators gave the Japanese a flaming week-end from Hong Kong to Formosa, headquarters reported today.

Although medium bombers strayed more than 1,500 miles and other small craft between Hong Kong and Canton, wrecking at least forty of them. Use of such small craft for reconnaissance is a favorite Japanese device, but there was no official indication of any enemy efforts to evacuate Hong Kong.

More than ninety Lightning fighter planes strayed and fire-bombed southwestern coastal areas of Formosa, and 30 Liberators which followed them dropped 197 tons of high explosives on oil installations. Flames leaped nearly a mile high.

Coltrane Quits Agriculture Job For \$8,000 Post

Raleigh, June 25.—(AP)—D. S. Coltrane, assistant State agriculture commissioner for the past eight and a half years, has resigned to accept a position with the American Potash Corporation of New York.

Agriculture Commissioner W. Kerr Scott said Coltrane submitted his resignation late Saturday, effective August 15.

Coltrane, Scott said, will be manager of the potash company's Atlanta, Ga., offices at a salary of more than \$8,000 a year. His salary as assistant agriculture commissioner was \$5,000 a year.

A specialist in seeds and fertilizers, Coltrane became assistant agriculture commissioner in 1937. Prior to that time he had been county farm agent in Randolph county.

Pacific Air Chief



AIR VICE-MARSHAL C. R. Siemon, Deputy Air Officer in command of the Canadian Air Force in the European theatre of operations, has been appointed to full command of the HCAF Pacific Air Force. He will be under the direct command of Gen. MacArthur. (International)

Campaign In Luzon Near Its Climax

20,000 Japanese In Corner Sealed Off From Final Escape

Manila, June 25.—(AP)—Eleventh airborne division paratroopers hastened the Luzon clean-up campaign toward a climax today, putting the squeeze on an estimated 20,000 Japanese now sealed off from their last main escape port, Aparao.

It was at Aparao, on the north coast that the enemy invaded the Philippines December 10, 1941.

American and Philippine guerrillas already have killed or captured 413,094 Japanese in the campaign to liberate the islands. General Douglas MacArthur announced. He listed Japanese casualties during the past week as 6,230 killed and 1,463 captured, compared with American losses of 223 dead and 509 wounded.

The Japanese in the Cagayan valley below Aparao found themselves compressed into a 60-mile corridor and caught between hammer and anvil. To the north were the airborne veterans who landed Saturday on Camalaniugan air field, four miles south of Aparao, without opposition.

MAY VISIT LONDON.

London, June 25.—(AP)—The London Daily Mail said today President Truman will pay a state visit to London after the three-power conference in Berlin as a guest of King George and Queen Elizabeth. The announcement, reported said the President also will visit American occupation forces in Europe and go to Paris to meet with Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

Mr. Churchill Asks Large House Margin

London, June 25.—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill, beginning a tour of 1,000 miles through England and Scotland to plead the cause of Conservatism, declared in a campaign address today "it's no use people thinking I can continue to serve unless I have a great majority when I return to the house."

The prime minister, with a rose in his buttonhole, made the remark during his first stop of the trip, the market place at Aylesbury, five miles from his home at Chartwell.

"This election is of great importance, because it comes at a moment when the future of our country is at stake," he said. "We can only preserve our place in the world by being united. We had to have an election because this parliament has lasted too long."

The parliament, which was dissolved by King George VI recently, was just under ten years old.

BORNEO IS RARE PACIFIC PRIZE



WITH THE RICH LUTONG oil refinery area, in the Brunei section of Borneo, seized during new landings and with Balikpapan, on the East Coast, being primed for invasion, the reconquest of this rich Pacific prize is well under way. The above map shows the areas where rubber, oil, gold, coal and diamonds (indicated by symbols) are found in great abundance. Before World War II, the Sarawak and Dutch Borneo, Bandjermasin, in the south, is rich in all four products. South of Sarawak are rich gold fields and gold flecks marry a river bottom. (International)