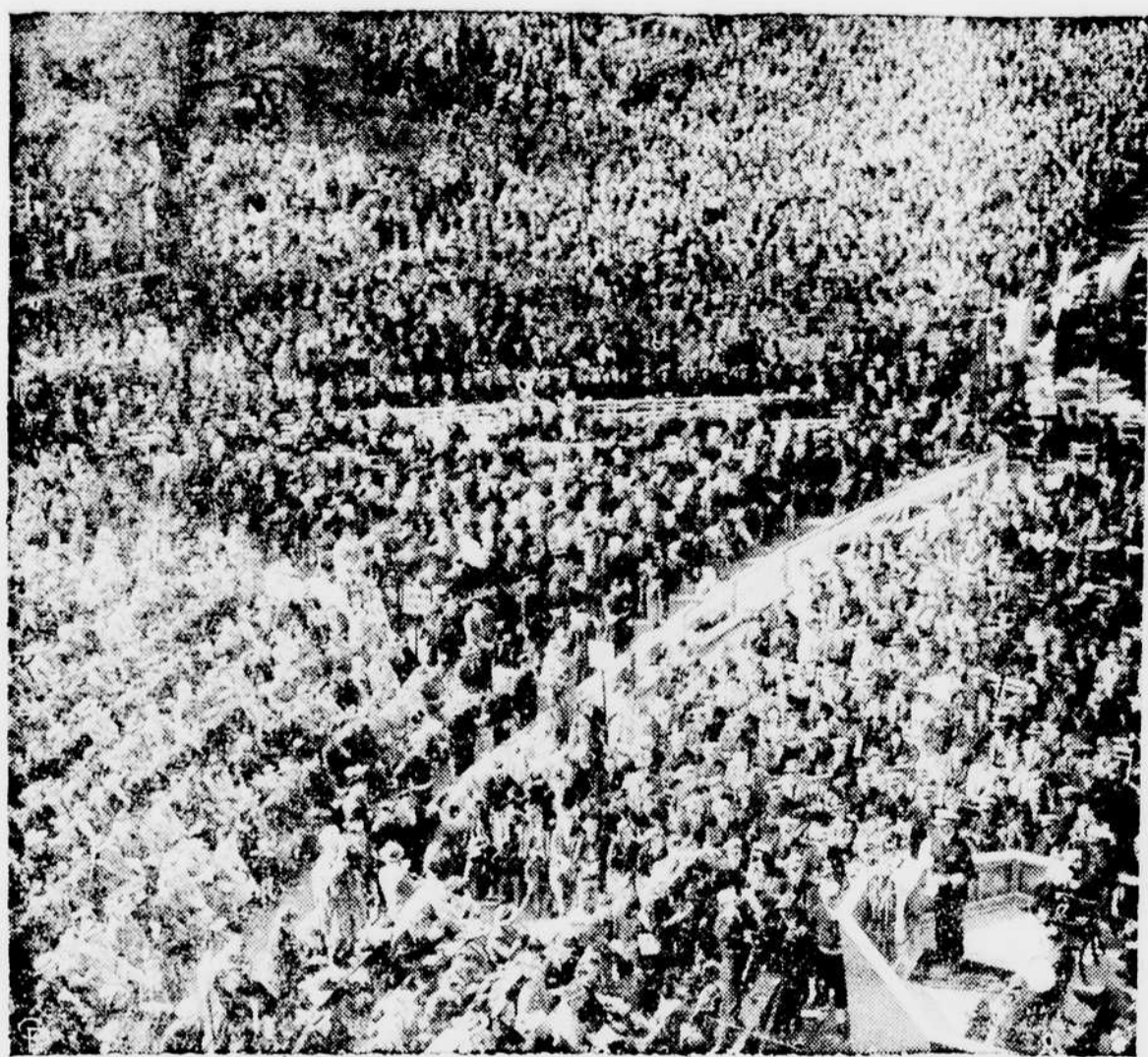


Nimitz Greeting In New York Reaches "Typhoon" Proportions



THIS IS BUT A SECTION of the vast crowd of New Yorkers who engaged to find their names in the City Hall area when Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz, who skippered our mighty warships to the coast of Japan, made his appearance for a brief spree in the city. The welcome, in which some 3,000,000 persons are said to have taken part, was one of the lustiest in the city's history. (International)

450,000 REMAIN IDLE

GI's Will Return Home Faster

200,000 In Each Month On Schedule

Only 400,000 Will Remain in Pacific By First of March

Tokyo, Oct. 11.—(AP)—American GI's will be returned to the United States from the Pacific at the rate of more than 200,000 a month for the next six months. Allied headquarters announced today.

By the end of March a total of 1,250,000 men will have been returned to the states, leaving approximately 400,000 men in the occupation forces and unit-manning army installations in the Pacific theatre.

In Japan, four divisions, approximately 60,000 men of combat troops, air service troops and special occupation units will remain. The Pacific forces will include 200,000 in Japan and Korea; 5,000 in the Philippines, and 35,000 in Okinawa and the rest of the Ryukyu islands. The rest of the 400,000 will be troops and service forces in Hawaii, the Marianas and other Pacific bases.

General MacArthur estimated previously that 200,000 men would be needed for the occupation of Japan six months after surrender. Today's announcement cut that figure by the two divisions which will be deployed to Korea from the total of 200,000 for the Korea-Japan occupation area.

The mass movement from the Pacific will be handled through eight big processing centers at Honolulu, Okinawa, Saipan, Iwojima, Japan and Manila. Before any divisions are sent home, the low point men will be screened out to remain with the occupation forces replacing high-point men from the units in the field, headquarters said.

As of January 1, the divisions in the Pacific will be located as follows:

- On Japan, eleven divisions—the 11th airborne, 7th cavalry, 7th, 81st, 25th, 9th, 32nd, 44th, 24th, 98th and 99th.
 - Korea—7th, 4th, and 6th.
 - Philippines—93rd, 98th and 99th.
- The divisions which will finally remain as occupation troops are the 11th airborne, 24th, 25th and first cavalry in Japan; the 7th and 6th divisions in Korea and the 86th in the Philippines.

Atom Bomb Is Claimed Neutralized

Washington, Oct. 11.—(AP)—The Navy naval committee reported today indications that an effective counter measure to atomic bombs has been developed.

The report, based on the testimony of high naval officers, did not explain the development beyond saying atomic bombs could be exploded "far short of their objectives."

The House committee report was issued as Secretary of Commerce Wallace told the Senate Military Committee that the United States might stock up more atomic bombs than other nations and still be the most vulnerable of all.

"This is essentially an offensive weapon," Wallace testified. "In a formal report on legislation dealing with the size of the postwar navy, the House committee said: 'There are indications that an effective counter measure to atomic bombs has been developed to such an extent that they can be exploded far short of their objectives without the necessity of locating their position. Knowledge of electronics promises ability to detonate atomic bombs at great distances by radio. Such interceptive defense can be effected at the greater distance from our shores by the navy.'"

GIs UNLOAD TROOPSHIP IN STRIKE



BECAUSE LONGSHOREMEN who would have unloaded the huge liner Queen Elizabeth were on strike, soldiers of the 53rd Port Company, Brooklyn Army Base, were put to work on a New York pier, taking mail and baggage from the vessel—scheduled to leave shortly for Europe to bring home another load of returning U. S. troops. (International)

Shutdowns Increasing As To Coal

Negotiators Still Deadlocked; Movie Strike Is Growing

The nation's strike lines held at around the 450,000 mark today, only a small decrease in 24 hours, as fresh labor disputes almost upset the return of 42,000 workers to jobs in textile plants.

As new shutdowns in the six-state soft coal strike area forced additional thousands into the ranks of the idle, bituminous operators and United Mine Workers Union representatives failed to agree on a compromise proposal to end the 21-day expanding work stoppages.

Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach again summoned the conference into session today in an attempt to settle the dispute between the operators and John L. Lewis United Mine Workers. The disputants, he said, are not far apart in their controversy over recognition of the U.M.W. foremen's union, and he expressed hope that "they should be able to agree."

The secretary is expected to report to President Truman today on the progress of the negotiations. Failure of settlement is expected to see a further spread of stoppages in the coal pits. Already some 188,000 miners have walked out from nearly half of the country's soft coal mines.

In Hollywood, the picketing of Warner Brothers studio headed for a showdown. Movie strike leaders called 20,000 AFL aircraft workers into the picket lines in front of the studio's main gate, and 500 officers were summoned to maintain order. The sheriff said if the aircraft workers picketed the studio they would be subject to immediate arrest.

A spokesman for the aircraft workers said they would join the picket lines to prevent unjustified beatings by members of Warner's police when they attempted to break the strike. More than 100 workers have been injured in clashes at the studio, which stemmed from the eight months old jurisdictional dispute between two AFL unions over representation of 77 set decorators.

There was a improvement in the serious strike of 35,000 to 60,000 AFL longshoremen in New York harbor. Union officials who urged members of six local unions to return to work were booted at a stormy meeting in Brooklyn last night. More than 250 ships were idle and redeployment of troops was delayed as the world's busiest harbor felt the effect of the 11-day-old walkout. The War Shipping Administration said ships would sail to Europe without cargo. Thousands of tons have piled up as a result of the strike.

Agreements Appear Near For Chinese

Chungking, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Chinese nationalists and communist negotiators for a united China issued a communique today agreeing upon basic principles of political peace in a nation split for decades by bloody fighting for government control.

The communique also set forth the negotiators' will to continue the talks which have been underway during a five weeks discussion and to submit political questions still unsettled to the military subcommittee in a hastily constituted political consulting council. The statement indicated the determination of nationalist leader Chiang Kai-shek to achieve "unity of political authority" immediately. Mao Tze-Tung, leader of the communist forces, said "the outlook is optimistic as he boarded a plane in Chungking to return to his headquarters at Yeneng. He conceded that some points remain to be settled."

New Jap Premier Is Given Instructions By Gen. MacArthur

Tokyo, Oct. 11.—(AP)—General MacArthur met the new head of the Japanese government, Premier Shidehara, for the first time today and gave him instructions for wide social and political reforms which will require liberalization of the Japanese constitution.

MacArthur likewise put it squarely up to Shidehara to take "broad and vigorous" action to see that the Japanese people are clothed, fed and housed during the coming winter.

The meeting came shortly after the Allied supreme commander had ordered the Japanese government to report within 90 days all foreign exchange assets, including private holdings and foreign interests of the imperial household.

Allied headquarters also announced the appointment of commissioners to the Japanese government to investigate the situation of the Japanese people.

Hungry Week-End Looms For England In Strikes

Thousands of Tons Of Food, Much of It Perishable, Tied Up

London, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Prime Minister Attlee summoned his labor cabinet into executive session today to consider the dock strike which spread to Glasgow and threatened Great Britain with a hungry week-end.

No. 11 Downing street issued no immediate announcement, but the question of government intervention appeared certain to be raised in the House of Commons.

In all, more than 46,500 strikers are out in Glasgow. Some 2,500 more walked out there at the meeting at London and at Newcastle-on-Tyne. Thousands more London dock workers were reported planning to strike later today for higher wages. Well over 50,000 tons of needed food was tied up at miles of idle wharves. Much of the food is perishable.

The strikers' British ration of meat, butter, eggs, bacon, lard and oranges was threatened with drastic curtailment. Warshiping is served by a menacing low.

It was for an immediate settlement of what union leaders called a wildcat strike dispatched. Strike leaders in Liverpool, where the walkout started nearly three weeks ago, asserted: "The fight goes on and the battle is nearly won."

Gas Chamber's Murder Director Defies Witness

Ludwig, Germany, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Testimony of a 28-year-old Jewess that she was the only person to emerge alive from the Oswiecim gas chambers was declared a lie today by Franz Hoessler.

He told a British military court trying him and 41 officers on war crimes charges that he saved several hundred persons from death, but that the Jewess, Sofia Litvinska, did not figure in the incident in which she portrayed herself in the leading role, and that her testimony was otherwise garbled.

Tax Bill May Pass House By Nightfall

'Short-Changed'



PEOPLE who'd take money from a blind man are still among us, according to Charles W. Yarns, blind ex-veteran postured in Miami, Fla., as he told military police of being "short-changed" out of \$400 by night-club operators when he tried to take their due. (International)

Over \$5 Billions To Be Lopped Off; Social Tax Frozen

Washington, Oct. 11.—(AP)—The House called its members to work two hours earlier than usual today in an effort to pass before nightfall a \$5,300,000,000 tax cutting bill.

The measure, which also must be approved by the Senate, would do this beginning January 1:

1. Guarantee every individual income tax payer a refund of at least ten percent "for a cut" for individuals would amount to \$2,927,000,000.
2. Sweep 12,000,000 low income persons off income tax rolls completely. When the war ended there were approximately 30,000,000 individual taxpayers.
3. Lower corporation tax burdens, \$1,330,000,000, by trimming the effective rates of the war-imposed excess profits tax from 55 to 60 percent, retaining the combined corporation normal and surtax from 10 percent to 20, and repealing next July 1 the double value capital stock tax. The bill calls for repeal of the excess profits tax January 1, 1947.
4. Cut back next July 1 the high wartime excise levies on such things as liquor, furs, jewelry, fuggans and cosmetics, at a saving of \$525,000,000 to consumers in the last half of 1946. Some \$160,000,000 in taxes on floor stocks under excises also would be refunded to business.
5. Repeal the \$5 automobile use tax next July 1, relieving the burden on automobile owners by \$140,000,000.

The legislation also freezes the social security tax at 1946 at one percent each on employees and employers. Without the freeze this tax would jump January 1 to 2.5 percent.

The bill came to the House floor at 10 a. m. under a rule virtually barring any changes. At the request of the ways and means committee

Control On Wages May Be Relaxed

Washington, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Many reconstruction officials were "greatly well pleased" today that the government soon must loosen its wage control.

This is reported by one of Director John W. Snyder's advisers, although there is no indication that the conclusion is shared by Snyder himself or by President Truman.

Snyder, however, is under strong pressure to set forth a relaxed wage policy to check the acute work stoppages that threaten to delay reconstruction.

Three officials of Snyder's office of War Mobilization and Recovery said all of whom asked anonymity said the economic and laborers in that agency are newly animated in support of a new government policy relaxation. They had suggested that wages could be increased perhaps as much as fifteen percent (OPA officials say something nearer ten percent is likely) without increasing the costs of goods more than two or two and a half percent.

Such a government policy would give assurance to government employees that OPA would consider permit price increases to cover the eight percent wage limit. If the higher increase, say twenty percent, were granted, all the extra five percent would have to come out of the employers' pockets.

PRICE OF COTTON TRENDS DOWNWARD

New York, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened unchanged to ten cents a bale lower. Noon prices were five to 30 cents a bale lower. October 23-11, December 23-27, March 23-30.

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| October | 22.12 | 22.10 | 22.10 |
| December | 22.30 | 22.29 | 22.29 |
| March | 22.36 | 22.35 | 22.35 |
| May | 22.36 | 22.36 | 22.36 |
| July | 22.17 | 22.13 | 22.13 |
| October (1946) | 22.53 | 22.53 | 22.53 |

Truman Asks \$550 Millions More From U. S. For UNRRA

Washington, Oct. 11.—(AP)—President Truman told Congress today that only \$20,000,000 of this country's \$40,000,000 for United Nations relief remained uncommitted August 31.

Cone Mills Effecting Big Merger

Greensboro, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Plans for consolidation of the business of Lenoir Cone North and South Carolina textile weaving and finishing plants and a national spinning organization into the Proximity Manufacturing Company, a North Carolina corporation, were disclosed here today in a letter and plan of reorganization mailed to stockholders of Proximity Manufacturing Company by Herndon Cone, of Greensboro, president.

The reorganization will make the Proximity Manufacturing Company a corporation with consolidated assets of well over \$30,000,000. The new corporate structure will provide for an authorized capital of 1,500,000 shares of common stock, of which 912,000 are to be outstanding in the hands of stockholders.

All of the corporations have been known for years to be owned wholly or in part by the Cone interests of Greensboro. While the reorganization, in a sense, creates one of the largest cotton textile corporations in the nation, with widely diversified manufacturer and national distribution, the reorganization serves primarily to create a more compact, efficient corporation.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Generally fair and slightly higher temperatures tonight and Friday.