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SPERRY PLANT MAY BECOME U. N. INTERIM HOME



DELEGATES TO THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL, following an inspection of the Sperry Gyroscope Company plant at Lake Success, L. I., N. Y., were reported in favor of moving to this or a similar site. The confusion of the scattered facilities now being used in the Bronx and Manhattan has prompted the search for new quarters. Pictured is the main building of the spacious \$17,763,000 Sperry plant. (International)

Senate Opens Fight To Cut Housing Bill's Subsidy Fund

Lack Of Central Authority In Reich Hampers Work

Berlin, April 7.—(AP)—The American Military government periodic report, issued by General Joseph L. McNarney's headquarters, said today the lack of a centralized government in Germany has caused a general economic breakdown in the United States zone to such an extent that the people's determination is being "undermined."

The report outlined in detail the achievements of the American occupation, but conceded that the aims

of the Potsdam conference had not been achieved because Germany has not been treated as a economic entity.

"The major underlying factors in the basically adverse situation which exists in the United States zone are progressive depletion of the raw materials and supplies on hand, resulting from a lack of inter-zonal trade, a loss of popular confidence in the currency and a tendency toward hoarding, tangible goods," the report said.

Roosevelt, Dead Year, Still Big Political Factor

Washington, April 6.—(AP)—Franklin Delano Roosevelt died a year ago this week, but his name and politics still are the subject of top political oratory.

Debates about the late President break out frequently in Congress, and political leaders and today they expect his program to be an issue in the coming elections.

House Democratic Leader McCormick contended that Republicans already have injected Mr. Roosevelt's name into the campaign by trying to smear him in the investigation of the Pearl Harbor disaster.

Republicans hotly denied this. Representative Keefe (R) of Wisconsin and Gearhart (R) of California, members of the joint Pearl Harbor investigating committee which reopens its public hearings tomorrow, asserted their only desire is to tell the whole story of the Japanese sneak attack.

Scores Hurt In Explosion Of Munitions

Giant French Dump In Saigon Rocks Indo-China City

Saigon, Indo-China, April 7.—(AP)—A giant French ammunition dump in the northern outskirts of Saigon exploded this morning and two hours later a shattering series of explosions continued to rock the city.

The French army threw barbed wire around the danger zone and began the evacuation of all civilians.

Truck loads of wounded, including women, children and French service men, were still streaming into the hospital at noon.

At Least 60 Hurt

Over 60 wounded persons officially were reported admitted to hospitals in the half hour following the first blast at 10:30 a. m. Hospital officials said they lost count after that.

Henri Cedille, commissioner for Cochinchina, China, issued a special communiqué saying the explosion was due to an accident and requested the public to remain calm. Normal press communications from the city were discontinued, since the Saigon radio station was in the explosion zone.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA Considerable cloudiness and continued warm with scattered showers this afternoon and tonight. Tuesday, partly cloudy with scattered showers and continued warm.

Eisenhower Asks Draft Continuance

Says Nobody Able To Tell Shortage If Act Expires

Washington, April 8.—(AP)—General Dwight Eisenhower told Congress today that nobody—military experts or lawmakers alike—knows how many men the armed forces will be short if the draft expires.

"No one can possibly forecast exactly how short our requirements will be, but everyone I have heard agrees we will be short," the army chief of staff told the Senate Military Committee.

The Senate group has agreed to vote tomorrow on the administration request for a one year extension of selective service beyond the expiration date of May 15. Eisenhower's reappearance before the group pointed up the extension request.

Estimates Vary.

Eisenhower noted that Maj. Gen. Lewis Hershey, selective service head, had estimated the army shortage at 400,000 men if the act expires, that Maj. Gen. W. S. Paul, army personnel chief, put the shortage at 165,000 and that other estimates ranged between these two. "I say with all respect to you gentlemen, that you don't know," Eisenhower said. "It's a gamble anyway you look at it. And gentlemen, in my opinion, any gamble with the national security of the United States at this time is a gamble with peace and security of the world."

Another point of dispute was over a provision allowing Wyatt to guarantee markets for new type building materials or prefabricated houses.

Senator Taft (R) of Ohio said an effort would be made to strike it out. There apparently was little Senate opposition to a provision putting ceiling prices on existing houses, although it was rejected by the House which also turned down the \$600,000,000 subsidy fund.

Washington, April 8.—(AP)—President Truman will make trips to Hyde Park, N. Y., New York City, Liberty, Mo., and Chestertown, Md., between now and June 1 and will receive three honorary college degrees.

Under a program announced today, he also will attend the opening big league baseball game here, speak to the Pan-American Union, attend the Gridiron Club dinner, Washington newspapermen, and hold off the record press conference of members of the American Society of Newspaper Editors.

Press Secretary Charles Ross said Mr. Truman probably will fly to Liberty, Mo., on May 20, and will make a "few brief remarks" when he arrives an honorary degree at William Jewell College.

Friday of this week he will make

a flying visit to Hyde Park, where he will make a seven or eight minute address at ceremonies dedicating the old Franklin Roosevelt home as a national shrine.

Athens, April 8.—(AP)—An official source said today King George II of Greece has acknowledged Archbishop Damaskinos' letter of resignation as regent but asked him to continue to serve provisionally for the time being.

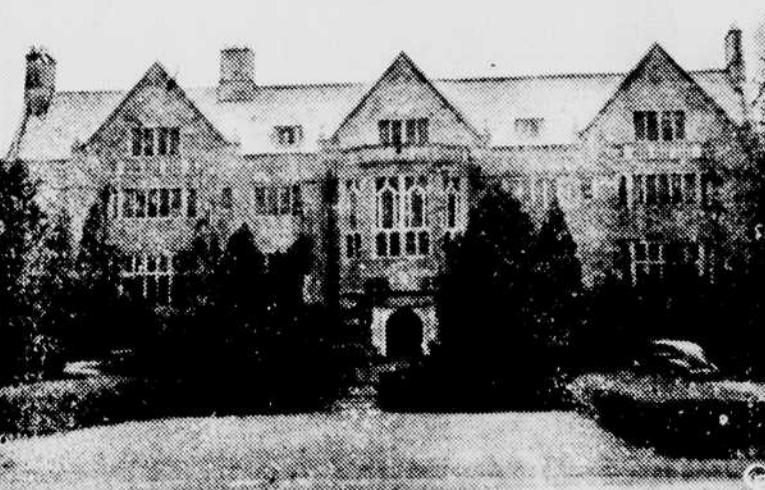
Old Flying Tigers Now Being Sought

Shanghai, April 8.—(AP)—Emergency distribution of food by air to China's starving people is being organized by UNRRA in an effort to combat a famine so severe that several millions are reported eating grass, roots, the bark of trees and even clay.

Maj. Gen. Clare Chennault, once head of the famed Flying Tigers and former commanding general of the 4th air force disclosed he is forming an air transport unit to fly UNRRA relief to stricken areas. Air transport is necessary because of the difficulties by land and sea travel.

Chennault is seeking former members of his old American volunteer group to participate.

LONG ISLAND PALACE FOR SOVIETS



A PALATIAL MANSION of 50 rooms, with 37-acres of beauty landscaped lawns at Glen Cove, L. I., has been purchased by the Soviet Government as a recreation and entertainment center for Russian diplomats and employees in the United States. It is the estate set up by the late George Dupont Pratt, son of a founder of the Standard Oil Company of New York at the cost, in 1912, of \$1,000,000. A general view of the English Renaissance manor is shown above. (International)

Russia Might Boycott Council Session Again

War Bride Missing



Police at Salisbury, N. C., said they had been asked by Warren Harding Poston of nearby Dukeville, N. C., to search for his 16-year-old British bride, Mrs. Evelyn Caroline Poston (above). He said she arrived in Salisbury April 2 and disappeared the next day. Poston said they spent Tuesday night at his home, and they came to Salisbury Wednesday to pick up his bride's luggage when she disappeared. (AP Photo).

Few Busy Months Facing President; To Get 3 Degrees

Resignation Is Asked Of Jan Cabinet

Exceptions Are Only Two Days Away Now; Resolutions Given

Tokyo, April 8.—(AP)—With Japan's election two days away, a 14-man committee of the "Democratic Peoples Front" appeared today before Premier Shidehara with a demand that his cabinet resign immediately.

The committee, claiming to represent 70,000 persons, called on Shidehara as a follow up to yesterday's explosive left wing demonstrations in which at least 10,000 Communists led demonstrators swarmed into the premier's compound, broke windows and injured eight Japanese policemen.

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Prosecution Idea At War Criminal Trial Assailed

Nuremberg, April 8.—(AP)—A former chief of the German chancellery attacked as unsound the whole prosecution theory of a conspiracy by top Nazis to seize power in Germany and then invade neighboring states. This is the basis of the first count of the indictment of 22 German war leaders on trial as war criminals.

Dr. Hans Heinrich Lammers told the international military tribunal that in the Anglo-Saxon sense of government, with ministers possessing certain powers, there was no longer a Reich government after 1936?

"The führer was the Reich government," he contended. "A majority of the ministers never had any knowledge of Hitler's general plans. The time when we left the League of Nations was the last time Hitler informed the government of important actions before they occurred."

\$400 A Year Raise For GI's Sought

Washington, April 8.—(AP)—A \$400 a year raise for all army and navy personnel, officers and enlisted men, was proposed today by Rep. Harness (R) of Indiana.

That is the amount voted last week for postal and other federal em-

Violence In N. C. Causes Nine Deaths

(By The Associated Press.)

Deaths by violence took the lives of at least nine North Carolinians during the past weekend, with traffic accidents accounting for six of the total.

Three of the traffic victims were pedestrians.

At Salisbury, three-year-old Phyllis Deal died in a hospital of injuries suffered Saturday when struck by a car in front of her home at China Grove.

Joe T. Phillips of Greensboro, 11, died Sunday of injuries received when struck by a car Friday night and Emma Rippy Doster, 36, also of Greensboro, was killed when hit by an auto Sunday morning.

A collision of two trucks near Monroe resulted in fatal injuries for Benjamin Brooks, 28, a veteran of World War II.

72,000 C.I.O. Might Strike Shipbuilders

Government Action To End Soft Coal Strike Predicted

(By The Associated Press.)

New York, April 8.—(AP)—Russia posed a new threat of boycott before the United Nations Security Council today unless the council abandons its scrutiny of the Iranian case and accepts the Soviet view that the issue has been settled in bilateral agreement between Iran and Russia.

Simultaneously, with the demand of Ambassador Andrei Gromyko in New York for the council to drop the case, it was stated here that the agreement reached April 4 between Russia and Iran calls for a joint Russian-Iranian oil company in which Russia would be the majority stockholder for the test 25 years of the 50-year term. The agreement is to be presented to the Iranian parliament for approval.

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Moscow took a direct hand, broadcasting both a firmly phrased demand that the council remove the Iranian case from its docket and a telegram from Iranian Premier Ahmed Qasim to Prime Minister Stalin expressing satisfaction with the new agreement between them.

The Labor Department official, who asked his name not be used, reported steel mills soon will begin to feel the full effect of the week-long strike of 72,000 AFL soft coal miners.

What the Government would, or could, do about it was a question, since John L. Lewis, AFL-United Mine Workers president, has not asked a specific wage increase. So the question of conformity with the national wage-price policy has not arisen.

Meanwhile, one of the nation's oldest strikes, that of 17,000 employees of the Yale and Towne Lock Co.'s Philadelphia plant, has ended. The workers, members of the AFL machinists union, voted to accept a 12.5 cent hourly raise and end their 149-day walkout.

Lint Prices Show 45-65 Cent Drop

New York, April 8.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened unchanged to 50 cents a bale lower.

Cotton prices were 45 to 65 cents a bale lower.

May 28-30, July 26-29, October 26-29.

Pv. Close Open

May 28-30.....28.19 28.15

July 26-29.....28.32 28.24

Oct. 26-29.....28.40 28.34

Dec. 26-29.....28.40 28.30

May 28-30.....28.51 28.43

May (1947).....28.50 28.40

U. S. BEEF ON WAY TO FRANCE



BEEF DESTINED to feed the meat-hungry people of France is shown being loaded by stevedores at a railroad and marine terminal at Baltimore, Md. About 4,400,000 pounds of frozen beef is to be shipped to France under United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation sponsorship. In January of this year, 2,199 carloads of supplies left for England, Denmark, Yugoslavia, Italy and France, from this port. (International Exclusive)



WINSOME Nancy Anderson (above), daughter of Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson, has been chosen as Queen of Virginia's famed Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival. Nancy is a student at the Mount Vernon Seminary, Wash., D. C. (International)