

LOAN

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An agreement has been reached on the British loan - announced in Washington late this afternoon. The United States agrees to modify the terms of the agreement under ^{wh}ich we lent to the British Government ^{— —} three-billion-seven-hundred-million dollars.

The modification concerns what is called the "convertibility clause," ~~this~~ a provision, under which the British agreed to pay dollars, instead of pounds sterling, to any nation that demanded such payment. In other words, if Britain bought goods from Canada or Argentina, for example, and those countries wanted dollars in payment, instead of pounds sterling, Britain was required to pay ~~with dollars~~ with dollars. That now is suspended, as an emergency measure - Britain required to pay dollars only to the United States, not to other countries.

And this ~~arrangement~~ will help to ease the heavy drain on ^{the} British supply of dollars - the drain that has been causing the British to use up so much of the loan so fast.

MARSHALL

At the Inter-American conference in Rio, our secretary of State told the Delegates of the Americas today that the emergency in Europe is the vital thing. The needs of Europe are more pressing than those of the Republics of the Western Hemisphere hence, aid to Europe takes precedence. ^{TP} There have been Latin-American demands for an economic agreement, but Secretary of State Marshall is pressing for simply an inter-American defense agreement ^{ent} - holding that, on the economic side, the critical point is Europe.

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KOREA

In Korea, the American Commander has been protesting vainly because the Soviets are holding three G.I.'s as ~~xxx~~ prisoners - keeping them incommunicado, no American allowed to go near them. Lieutenant General Hodge has addressed repeated protests to the Soviet Military Forces, demanding the release of the three American

But they haven't even given him
soldiers. ~~we have not even got~~ a reply. ~~The three G.I.'s~~
are young fellows, each under twenty, and were in Korea only ten days when the Soviets grabbed them. They were sent on a routine job to check telephone lines near the border of the Russian and American zones of occupation, and were in full uniform when they were seized.

Time - broad daylight. There's no indication where they are being held - ~~a~~ General Hodges has been unable to discover even that.

NUREMBERG

(At Nuremberg, sentences were pronounced today on the Nazi medical men convicted of "atrocities-of-experiment" - inhuman medical tests and tortures in the Hitler horror camps. Seven of the Nazi ~~amxxxx~~ doctors are sentenced to hang. Chief among them - Hitler's personal physician, Karl Brandt.)

This Dr. Brant is not to be confused with the Charlatan Quack who has been described as Hitler's Rasputin. His name is Morrell. ^{TL} Brandt, now sentenced to hang, is a different sort - a sound medical scientist, who let himself get involved in the hideous monstrosities of concentration camp experiment, the use of human guinea pigs.

This I was told today by ^{Dr.} Cortez Enloe, an American medical man and writer on medical topics, who had quite a career during the war. He was with ^{Col.} Phil Cochran ^{and Col. John Allison, in Burma,} ~~in Burma, the Flip Gerkin of the funny~~ who commanded aerial invasion in the Burma campaign with the fabulous British General Wingate. Later, in the war, Cort Enloe was attached to American scientific teams that

gathered information about German science and scientists. He took part in the official interviewing of Nazi medical men involved in the ~~the~~ criminal scientific research. So he knows plenty about them. ^R Today he told me that Dr. Karl Brandt, who is to hang, - was a young assistant professor of surgery at the University of Berlin. His connection with Hitler came through his wife, a swimming champion. Hitler admired her athletic prowess, and entertained ~~x~~ her at Berchtesgaden. ^R There, the Brown Shirt Dictator was being attended by the Charlatan Quack Dr. Morrell, who had been a second-rate dermatologist in Berlin. Morrell had begun by treating Hitler for a skin disease the Nazi Fuehrer had, [^] some kind of rash caused by a food allergy. Morrell won Hitler's complete confidence, though as a physician he was a nobody. His quack [^] ideas appealed to Hitler, ~~xxxx~~ strange diets, weird medicines - also [^] astrology. [^] *This Quack* ~~he~~ acquired such influence that he earned the name of the "Rasputin of Germany" - bestowed on him by American Dr. Cortez Enloe. ^R One thing about the quack

Morrell was that he was afraid to fly, was reluctant to accompany Hitler on airplane trips. Der Fuehrer wanted a doctor all the time, and there was an opening. So, at Berchtesgaden, the champion woman swimmer suggested to her husband, Dr. Brandt, ^{who then} ~~and he~~ was taken on as the Dictator's personal physician ^{with} ~~the~~ Charlatan Morrell keeping his place of influence behind the scenes.

^H Thus it was that Dr. Brandt got into the whirl of affairs that now takes him to the gallows. As Hitler's personal physician he was all-~~powerful~~ powerful in medical circles - the medical dictator of Germany. What led him into the maze of Nazi crime? ~~What~~ ^{What} persuaded the sound and competent scientist to become the director of the wholesale horror of the human guinea pig experiments in the concentration camps? That's a question to be answered by some shrewd analyst of human nature and scientific personality.

~~Time came when Dr. Karl Brandt broke with Hitler toward the end of the war. He told the Fuehrer that the German people could not stand up,~~

medically, as a matter of health - under the bombing.

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Cort Enloe says, ~~that~~ Hitler ordered Brandt to be executed, but the Doctor was saved by Himmler - then the number two Nazi. So he lived on - only to face international justice for crimes of science.

But what about Morrell, the Quack? Cort Enloe told me today that Morrell is reported to be dangerously ill. ~~and~~ If he survives, *he'll* ~~be~~ *he'll likely* stand a trial, ~~because~~ *because* he, too, had a hand in the medical atrocities - though Morrell, the ~~Charlatan~~ Charlatan, had little science to add to crime, mostly quackery.

COAL

The United States is much interested in the German method of producing oil and gasoline from coal. Which is not surprising seeing that we have the greatest known bituminous coal reserves in the world.

Well, tonight the U S Bureau of Mines revealed that it ~~is~~ has imported -- with some difficulty - some massive German equipment for producing synthetic fuel. This equipment, which provided gasoline for Germany's war effort, is now at the Bureau's demonstration plant at Louisianan, Missouri.

The machine is a thirteen-ton converter, the heaviest single piece of equipment ever moved through the ~~ex~~ port of New Orleans, and what a job it was to get that huge converter off the ship. All the rigging on the starboard side of the ship had to be taken down, and special marine derricks employed to lift the giant.

Then the problem of carrying it to Missouri. ~~And~~ To the rescue came Chicago, with

a special-duty flat car. There are only six of such cars in the whole of the United States.

But the converter got to its destination and American experts are now studying the secrets of Germany's stupendous production of synthetic gasoline, foreshadowing a new era in American industry -- oil and gasoline from coal.

BUDGET

The United States Treasury has a bit of extra money - four billion ~~and~~ seven hundred millions extra which is a surprise. It had been expected that, for the present fiscal year, our government would have a surplus of two hundred million dollars - that figure was forecast by President Truman in his budget message to Congress last January. But the President was wrong, agreeably and pleasantly wrong. A financial report issued in Washington late this afternoon give a set of new financial estimates, based on the way things are going. And these show a ~~xx~~ surplus more than twenty times ~~xx~~ as large as the forecast

The President, in announcing this, has to step around one delicate point, which might be slightly embarrassing. He sternly opposed a cut in taxes, and had his way. And here he is with a surplus of four billion, seven hundred million dollars. So how does he get around that? He still insists that the tax cut demanded by Congress was at the ~~ix~~ "wrong time". And he adds that every dollar of the four billion, seven hundred millions will be applied to the national debt. ~~The treasury moreover~~

π We are further told that The Treasury has a cash balance of seven hundred and forty-seven million - and that will be applied to the debt. In other words, we are, in this fiscal year, trimming nearly five and a half billion dollars from the giant public debt of ~~two-hundred-and-fifty-nine-billion,-~~ ~~eight-hundred-and~~ ~~eighty-nine~~ ~~million,-~~ ~~a-hundred-and-ten~~ ~~thousand,-~~ ~~sixty-two~~ ~~dollars.~~ ~~and~~ ~~fifty-one~~ cents. *π* What beguiles me is the fifty-one cents.

HOUSING FOLLOW BUDGET

There is equally bright news about housing - an official report showing a record-breaking summer-boom in the construction of homes and apartments. The figures are given out by the Department of Labor, and show that eighty thousand dwelling places or apartment buildings were started in July, and should be ready by November.

Summer is usually a low point in the building trade, but this year its different. Not only is there a record for building begun in July, but the jobs are being completed faster than expected. The reason is - better delivery of materials and increased efficiency of labor, [^] according to the Washington announcement.

AIR RECORD

at Muroc Field, California, today, the navy jet propelled Douglas "Sky Streak" attempted to break the world's air speed ^{record} ~~XXXXXX~~ of six-hundred-twenty-three-point-eight miles an hour, held by the Army "Shooting Star" a jet. *And maybe it did.*

The "Sky Streak" painted bright red and shaped like a bullet, made four passes at the course, two in each direction. On landing, the pilot, Commander Turner Caldwell, said: "I'm pretty sure I made it." Meaning the record. If he did it means he has flown faster than any man.

He flew barely seventy-five feet above the ground during his run for the record. Sitting in a pressurized, refrigerated cockpit. Refrigeration being necessary to keep him from being roasted from the heat generated by the friction caused by the terrific speed at which the plane flies.

If anything goes wrong the entire cockpit can be jettisoned. An explosive device throwing it a considerable distance away from the ship to give the pilot a chance to bail out beyond the slip-stream.

INDIAN

A strange story from Beatty, Nevada -- the twin daughters of Long Jim, a pahute indian, lying in a coma in an isolated hut of bark. And all because an angry witch doctor, a woman, put a curse on them. The local sheriff and his deputy found the girls lying in a stupor in Long Jim's cabin, eight thousand feet up in the Charleston Range. The two law enforcement officers examined the girls as best they could despite the fact that the worried father Long Jim, would not allow them to touch or move his sleeping beauties.

Said Deputy Sheriff Revert "their hearts are beating, they have pulses, and they breathe. They may be dead to the Indians, but to the law, they are alive."

Meanwhile, an Indian witch doctor is trying to break the curse by rattling tin cans filled with rocks. He says it will take ten days, perhaps, to bring the girls back to life.

According to a local storekeeper, who sent for the Nye County Police and an ambulance, the girls had been shot with poison arrows at a tribal ceremony; but it appears these ~~are~~ arrows were really imaginary. The deputies could find no wounds, no^r sign of any wounds - only the girls lying in a hypnotic condition.

It seems that Long Jim, the father, offended the witch doctor by burning a blanket belonging to another of his daughters who was killed in an automobile accident instead of giving it to the ~~old~~ mistress of magic. ~~And~~ So she cast a spell over the girls, screaming at them, "now you are ~~are~~ dead, now you are ~~fa~~ dead."

And, they went to sleep. And, stayed that way despite those rattling tin cans of the tribal witch doctor.

Ancient magic in modern America -- a drama of a primitive mountain ~~in~~ tribe.

STYLES

We hear that the ladies disapprove of the new long skirts - decreed by fashion. Dress houses have taken polls, and the result shows that a huge majority of the women, three out of four, don't like the new length of skirts, the hemline at about the middle of the calf.

Well, that would seem to be that - the long skirts are out! If the ladies frown and say no, what can be done about it? Paraphrasing an old adage - "You can lead a woman to a long skirt, but you can't make her wear it."

But, wait a minute! - ~~That~~ isn't the story at all. Its just the opposite. The same survey shows that, while three-fourths of the women say they don't like the long skirts, two-thirds of them ^{add that} ~~and~~ - they're going to wear ~~them~~ anyway. They disapprove; but, style **is** style. The ladies explain that they'll follow the fashion:- "To keep from looking funny," they ^{are} ~~are~~ quoted as saying.

Even the United States Army has fallen ~~in~~ in line - the military mode of skirts being in the uniform of the WACS. You'd think that the Army, which is ready

to defy an possible enemy on this earth, might also defy feminine styles. But no - Dame Fashion is ^{an Amazon who} ~~generous that~~ ^{even} makes the Army cringe. Unconditional surrender is the word! ~~So~~, the WAC uniform is being altered, to conform - x skirts longer!

This military aspect of the matter caused the question to be taken to Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower, wife of the Chief-of-Staff, who was our Commander of victory on the Western Front. Mrs. General Ike joins the chorus in saying she doesn't approve of the new style, ~~of~~ having ~~all~~ ^{TP} dresses altered, letting down the hems. Nobody has consulted General ~~Ike~~ Eisenhower, whose only function ~~is~~ is to foot the bill - ^{shortening} the bank account to lengthen the skirt.

GIRL

Well, it has finally happened -- a girl walking home from an airplane ride. At Minneapolis, today the young lady told how she and the aviator boy friend went for a ride in the sky, and he landed thirty miles out of town -- saying he'd have to fix the plane a bit. They both got out, and there was an argument --after which he climbed back in, and flew away, leaving her to walk home.

Thirty miles! Quite a stroll I'd say. What would you say, Nelson?

U.N.

Our government is taking the problem of the Balkans to the General Assembly of the United Nations. - This was announced formally today. Yesterday, at the Security Council, the Soviets cast two vetoes, killing all possibility of action to check Communist aggression by the Red Puppets against Greece. So, promptly, we are appealing from the Security Council to the General Assembly, which meets in September. ^{TP} *We are asking* the full gathering of the United Nations to consider the Red Threat to peace in the Balkans.

PARAGUAY

News about the revolution in Paraguay is a tangle of confusion. A few days ago the insurgents appeared about to win out - with the seizure of the capital city of Asuncion. But today the leader of the insurrection, ^a Colonel Franco, appeared on the Argentine Border and asked to be admitted and given asylum in Argentina. - There is a report that the whole rebel General Staff has arrived ^{there} following the insurgent Commander in his flight. ^R The sudden shift of the revolution in Paraguay is complicated by the confusion of rumors; but the rapid change of events appears to have gone something like this: ^R First, the government troops of President ~~Mazz~~ Morinigo staged a swift advance and captured the capital of the rebels - and the government announced victory, the imminent suppression of the revolt. But the insurgents, with the capture of their capital, made a sudden swing to the south, and struck at the government capital - Asuncion. They announced they were about to capture the place, for a triumph of the revolution. However

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the catch was right there at Asuncion. The insurrectos were able to surround the city, assail it from all sides - but were unable to capture ^{we} Asuncion. There was a ten day siege, which failed - ~~and~~ ^{whereupon} the pendulum of victory swung to the side of the ~~Government~~ ^{TP}. At least, that would seem to be the state of affairs tonight, with rebel commander Colonel Franco ~~seeking~~ seeking refuge in Argentina - his General Staff doing the same, apparently. ^{TP} However, rebel spokesmen in Brazil insist that the revolt is by no means over - and that the pendulum is about to swing back the other way.