

# FLOODS

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Those floods in the Middle West:-Tonight the weather bureau ~~is~~ in St. Louis says the crest of the Mississippi <sup>flood</sup> will sweep by that city ~~on~~ on Friday. "It is hoped," adds the weather bureau, "that the crest of the Missouri will not reach St. Louis until after the Mississippi flood has passed on to the South".

However, the Missouri is also sending its swirling waters toward the confluence of the two rivers tonight. And observers predict a major disaster for St. Louis if those two mighty streams meet together, in flood, above the city.

Already the Missouri has washed over a million acres of rich farm land in North Central Missouri; and ~~the~~ the rampaging Mississippi has cut an equally wide swath through upper Missouri, Iowa and Illinois.

As far as St. Louis is concerned, everything depends on the timing of the two flood crests -- whether they meet above St. Louis, or

below that city. Also on the amount of rainfall within the next three days.

Ominously, weather reports are that precipitation throughout Missouri is expected to average from one to two inches until Friday. As matters stand now, the floods of the two giant rivers are moving downstream at the rate of fifty miles a day.

Tonight the Mississippi, at Clarksville, Missouri, reaching its highest level since eighteen-Fifty-one.

## LEAD HUNGARY

Protest from Washington tonight. Sharp protest to Russia against what the State Department calls "Russia's most flagrant interference" in the affairs of Hungary. A protest ending with a threat to appeal to the United Nations against the march of communism in the Balkans.

We mince no words in this strong note to Russia. We accuse the Reds of unilateral action in clear disregard of the Yalta agreement. We declare in pointed terms that the recent coup ousting the former Hungarian government has "resulted in the realignment of political authority in Hungary so that a minority which obtained seventeen percent of the ~~pop~~ popular support in the last free election has nullified the ~~expressed~~ expressed will of the majority of the Hungarian people". And we demand a three power investigation:

The Reds at Budapest, meanwhile, continue their charge of conspiracy against former Premier Nagy whom they ousted.



~~when they existed~~ Its a real novelty when the head of a government goes in for conspiracy - what would he conspire against? Plotting is usually done against a government and the political head of the state. Premier Nagy represented a majority government, chosen by free election - so he must ~~xxxx~~ have been conspiring against a mere minority, against minority rule. Which would seem the case if there was any conspiracy at all.

Declarations by the Hungarian Red Regime today alleged that former Premier Nagy was in touch with conspirators in foreign capitals, and communicated with them by means of secret codes. One of the foreign conspirators named is Tibor Eckhardt, former President of the Hungarian Peasant Party, who escaped from Hungary, went to England and the United States - and issued appeals to the Hungarian people. When was this? At the beginning of the war; - Conspirator Eckhardt escaping from the Nazis and making a plea to his country to break away from Hitler.



We also have an American protest to Red Bulgaria. Our government complains about the arrest of Agrarian Leader Petkov. We tell the Bulgarian Communists that Petkov, in the words of the protest - "has evoked deep sympathy in the United States because he has openly fought for the acceptance and perpetuation of civil liberties in his own country." <sup>P</sup> We remind the Red tyrants of Bulgaria that the way they <sup>are</sup> ~~was~~ crushing liberal opposition is in violation of the Big Four agreement at Yalta. <sup>P</sup> ~~Q~~ Always back to Yalta, where Stalin got the gravy and we got the words.

## BULGARIA

However, the British have a promise, a wonderful promise -- about Petkov, leader of the opposition in Bulgaria, the head of the Agrarian Party, the farmers. He was tossed into a dungeon cell by the Bulgarian Premier, the widely known Communist Chieftain, Dimitrov, one-time head of the Comintern at Moscow.

The British Envoy to Bulgaria has interceded with Dimitrov in behalf of Petkov -- one angle concerning Communist attempts to get a confession of something or other from the Agrarian leader. Today Bevin stated that Communist Premier Dimitrov had promised, in the words of Begin, that "no torture or other means of physical coercion would be employed."

What -- no torture?

Quite a concession -- in this day and age.

## CHINA

China is protesting against aggression by the Soviets - a Moscow sponsored invasion of the Chinese Province of Sinkiang. That's away in the depth<sup>s</sup> of Central Asia, where China borders on Turkestan. The invasion is being carried out by troops of ~~the~~ Outer Mongolian ~~Republic~~, a Soviet Republic - a Red Puppet. <sup>TP</sup> Until several years ago, Outer Mongolia itself belonged to China. But Soviet Russia took ~~that~~<sup>it</sup> vast province in Central Asia, and China ~~had to~~<sup>had to</sup> agree ~~to~~<sup>to</sup> let them have it. ~~They could do nothing about it.~~

The present uproar began with an incident of eight men and a horse. Some kind of border skirmish occurred on the frontier ~~of~~<sup>between</sup> Sinkiang and ~~the Soviet Republic~~<sup>the Reds</sup> of Outer Mongolia, ~~and~~ The Chinese captured eight men and a horse. The Mongolians demanded that these be returned. ~~And~~ the Chinese Government of Chiang Kai-Shek agreed. However, the instructions to that effect were delayed because of poor communications into the dim middle of Asia. ~~And~~<sup>So</sup> the Mongolians ~~did not~~ wait. Their Army invaded Sinkiang. ~~And~~ we have confused word of a ~~big~~ battle being fought at a town ~~xxxxx~~ called Peitashan.



The Chinese Government says that the incident of the eight-men-and-a-horse was a mere pretext for aggression - Mongolia backed by Soviet Russia. The Mongolian Army struck, supported by artillery and ~~four~~ military planes, which bore markings of the Soviet Army.

## TRUMAN

Today the President of the United States was acclaimed with a roar of applause. He stood before the Parliament of Canada, and stated the American position in world affairs. That's what stirred the applause.

President ~~T~~ Truman stated: "We intend to support those who are determined to govern themselves in their own way, and who honor the right of others to do likewise." That was greeted by cheers.

The President continued as follows: "We intend to aid those who respect the dignity of the individual, who guarantee him equal freedom under the law, who allow him the widest possible liberty to work out his own destiny and achieve success to the limit of his capacity." The response to that was a thunder of acclaim. The members of the Canadian House of Commons banged on their desks, their traditional way of applauding, and everywhere were shouts of "hear, hear".

President Truman told the Canadian ~~parliament~~ Parliament that the United States is counting on Canada

as an ally in a struggle for what he called, "A peace that is not yet secure." The ovation he got was a pledge that we will not depend on Canada in vain.



## MILITARY TRAINING

A powerful voice was raised in favor of universal military training today - a voice from the world of science. Dr. Karl Compton, <sup>head of M.I.T.,</sup> belongs to the realm of physics, in which the atomic bomb was produced - and he right now is Chairman of President Truman's Commission on Universal Military Training. He told the armed services committee of the House of Representatives that the safety of this country requires ~~xxx~~ that American youth should be prepared for quick national defense. <sup>P</sup> "If a war comes", he warned, "we probably never again will be shielded by Great Britain. - <sup>W</sup> We've got to be able to move fast." He likened compulsory training to fire insurance. "You don't want a fire," said he, "But you pay money for insurance for protection."

As for the danger of another war, Dr. Compton told the Congressional Committee he did not believe there would be one for several years. On ~~xxx~~ what does he base the prophecy? On the atomic bomb. "I don't

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believe," said he, "that another country would be prepared to attack the United States, unless it had the atomic bomb and in quantities. I believe that time is several years off," he added.

A similar warning was given today by Attorney General Clark, addressing the Graduating Class of ~~the~~ Virginia Military Institute. He declared that we must retain and improve our atomic weapons, until the present world crisis has been settled. He phrased the question at issue in these words: "whether freedom or despotism ~~will~~ shall ~~have~~ shape the world's future."

## MANHUNT

A manhunt reminiscent of vigilante days is under way in California tonight. Angry posses hunting down a ~~gun~~ gunman. A gangster who, with two desperado companions, shot down two peace officers in a daring daylight robbery of a bank in the little northern California town of Wheatland.

The two accomplices have already been ~~arrested~~ captured. But their gunman leader is still ~~in~~ at large with fifteen thousand dollars in loot. Police believe he has escaped into the wild and rugged terrain of California's Sierra Nevada Mountains.

The fugitive has already abandoned his get-away car, and the manhunt is spreading wide for the lone robber -- presumably alone, and on foot.



## CHURCHILL

Winston Churchill underwent an operation today - condition satisfactory. Actually, the surgery was what the doctors consider a rather minor matter. ~~an operation for hernia~~ The wartime Prime Minister, seventy-two, was attended by the top medical men of Great Britain. The satisfactory report on his condition is signed by five eminent medicos, including Sir Thomas Dunhill, surgeon to the King, and Lord Moran, President of the Royal College of Physicians.

## BABE

Over in Scotland today, on the Gullane Golf Course, the gallery was so big, the golf officials could hardly handle the crowd. From nearby towns and villages, a throng of Scots came streaming to the links x - making an almost unmanageable gallery. ~~of fifteen hundred~~. What did those Caledonians come to look at - gape at? Why, the Babe, the mighty Babe Didrikson Zaharias, <sup>of Denver,</sup> who is reducing British golfing circles to gasps, they having run out of superlatives. British newspapers today dragged out their longest adjectives to hail the prowess of the ~~ex-~~ Texas Babe, who won Olympic championships a x few years ago, who proceeded to excell in almost every kind of athletic ~~xxxxx~~ sport, who married a Greek wrestler, and who is now Mrs. Zaharias, the wonder woman of golf. They are ~~xxxxx~~ calling her the Superma'm.

It was a shock to the British when the British Amateur Golf Championship turned into an all-American competition in the finals, two Americans battling it out for the British Golf Crown, Willie Turnesa winning. On top of which the British Women's Golf Championship

turns into a parade for Mrs. Zaharias - the Babe. She has been slamming the ball for distances usually supposed to be the prerogative of top ranking men players. I don't suppose the British like to see their ladies outclased so badly by the Babe from Texas, but they've digested the fact so well that they <sup>are</sup>~~too~~ cheering the victories of the Superma'm. Today an overflow gallery of Scots followed the Babe around, and applauded her every time she scored an American advantage over the British competition.

In the morning game, an English Lassie, Bunny Stephens, daughter of an English professional golfer, played the Babe even for the first eight holes - which was considered something of a <sup>miracle</sup>~~prodigy~~. But the Superma'm finished with a runaway victory. In the afternoon game, the Babe's opponent was the Scottish woman's champion Jean Donald. There wasn't anything to it. At the thirteenth hole, the Babe was so far ahead that the Scotch ~~Champ~~ Champ said enough was enough - and conceded the match.



The prowess of the Superma'm over there in Scotland is illustrated by one vivid fact. In her six matches thus far, there hasn't been a time when the Babe has had to play the ~~x~~ seventeenth and eighteenth holes in competition. That is, she had the games sewed up before <sup>ever</sup> she got to the seventeenth and eighteenth. ~~holes~~

Tomorrow brings the final, Mrs. Zaharias playing Jacqueline Gordon of England. Nobody has any doubt ~~it~~ about it, least of all the British. Tonight they concede that barring a miracle, the British women's open Champion is - the Babe from Texas, the Superma'm

■ from the U.S.A. But then miracles can happen; and the best of golfers -- even the mighty Babe, have off days.

## SUGAR

Ladies -- sugar rationing is off tonight. So far as homes, hotels, restaurants, and hospitals are concerned -- the rationing of sugar is a thing of the past. This was announced late this afternoon by Secretary of Agriculture Anderson, who stated that the abolition of sugar rationing was effective at midnight-tonight.

And that's good news with which to switch back to you, Nelson.

## AUSTRIA

In Austria, the Communist leader today admitted issuing a demand that the Austrian Government resign and that he be made Minister of the Interior. The Ministry of the Interior controls the police; - so you can see why the Communist leader tried to get it. Communist control of the police would be the start for turning Austria into another Communist police state.

There was a blazing denunciation from the Socialist Leader of the Austrian National Assembly, <sup>who</sup> ~~Ernst~~ <sup>cried:</sup> ~~Roos~~ "This is an ambush against democracy!" ~~he cried~~  
"We have been brought dangerously close to the fate of Hungary!"

The Communist leader, trying to defend his demand, was drowned out - by laughter. The overpowering size of the laugh becomes clear when we note that in the Austrian Legislature, there are only five Communists. In the election of Nineteen Forty-Five, ~~the Moderate People's Party elected eighty four Representatives~~ and ~~the Socialists elected seventy six~~ The Communists



were able to elect five! Yet they now call for the  
resignation of the government.

They already have one cabinet post, and demand the  
all-important Ministry of the Interior, with control of  
the police. This - with a minority of five against a  
Parliamentary majority of a hundred and sixty. That's  
brazen -- even for the Reds.

## DISCRIMINATION

The drive for a nationwide anti-discrimination bill was opened today by Senator Ives of New York. He's the sponsor who has introduced into Congress the measure to forbid any discrimination in employment, because of race, religion, color or national origin. Previously, Senator Ives, when he was in the New York State Legislature, was co-author of a ~~similar~~ smiliar law in New York -- put through with the backing of Governor Dewey.

Today, he argued before the Senate Labor Committee that discrimination in employment was, what he called -- "An American dilemma."

However, it is unlikely that Congress will try to do anything about the National anti-Discrimination Bill this year. The Southern Democrats have announced their opposition, as might be expected -- and they've shown in the past that they can put up an awful lot of obstructing and filibustering when they have a mind to.