

TRUMAN

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President Truman was taking it easy today, enjoying Canada - where there is plenty to enjoy. He motored through parts of Ontario and Quebec, and met at an unofficial luncheon a group of political leaders and other top figures of the Dominion.

He told newspapermen that he was going to try to weld the principal countries of North America - that is Canada, the United States, and Mexico into one continent of friendship. Unless that is accomplished, the men who died in two World Wars will have died in vain. He added that Uncle Sam's objective abroad is world peace - friendship with every nation in the world. And he asked the newspapermen to underline the word "every". He chatted with the reporters quite informally, sitting on the grass outside the famous Seigniory Club, some forty miles from Ottawa.

He'll be back in Washington tomorrow night, faced with two of the major problems of his career as President, to veto or not to veto the labor

bill and the tax bill. Democratic leaders in the Senate say they have forty Senators lined up to uphold a veto of the tax bill.

SWEDES

Trigger-happy Russian sentries in Austria have shot and killed Arne Karlsson, in charge of Swedish relief for Austria.

Karlsson was riding in a car, with his wife and child and another Swedish relief official, Doctor Thorsten Arneus; crossing Austria on their way to Czechoslovakia.

Apparently, the Swedes lost their way -- by mistake drove up a restricted road toward a Russian ammunition dump. *The first thing they*
new a * bullet struck Karlsson in the head. Doctor Arneus was wounded in the hand. Karlsson's wife and child miraculously escaped injury.

The Russians simply say that the automobile driven by Karlsson didn't stop when ordered to.

Says Doctor Arneus: "I heard no commands ~~was~~ to halt. The first thing I ~~know~~ knew bullets drilled through the windshield and poor Karlsson slumped over dead".

Tonight the Russians have brought Karlsson's widow, her three-year old son, and her husband's body to Vienna. Magnanimously the Soviets ~~are~~ are letting them stay there at Russian expense.

The irony of it is that Karlsson had been on a tour through that part of eastern Europe now controlled by Russia, on a "Save-The-Children" drive. A drive supported by the Swedish Red Cross to benefit the ~~many~~ host of children that the Russians either cannot or ~~will~~ will not look after.--
~~support.~~

BALKANS

There was an ~~old-time~~ uproar in the Hungarian Parliament today. The leader of the Liberty party, Dezso Sulyok, with surprising courage, made a withering attack on the Cabinet, the Communists, and the Secret Police.

He said that news reports in other countries, had exaggerated the state of affairs at Budapest, but that it was true that Hungarian civil liberties were being ~~na~~ infringed upon. True also that bloodshed and barricades were the order of the day in the streets of the Hungarian capital, with everybody living in danger of police espionage, and no freedom.

Then, Sulyok, this leader of the Liberty Party turned to the Communist Minister of the Interior and poured scorn upon him for sending political spies to him. He explained how a person had visited him, asking if he would accept financial help from Anglo-Saxons. Sulyok told the Communists it was a waste of time to try to trick him in that

fashion, because he would not be deceived.

The uproar at this point was such that the speaker suspended the order of business and declared an adjournment.

A later story from Budapest reports that Sulyok and his Deputy will be arrested, charged with treacherous and libelous remarks against the government. Although a legislator is supposed to be immune to arrest while Parliament is in session, the public prosecutor intends to ask for an edict suspending Sulyok's immunity so that he can be prosecuted at once. ---0---

From Sophia, capital of Bulgaria, comes the news that the Communists have expelled twenty-three members of Parliament, all of them belonging to the Agrarian National Union Party, the only real effective opposition to the Communists.

And from Bucharest, Rumania, comes word that the next Communist Putsch may be expected in that country - soon. This based on information

gathered by an agent of the British government in Romania. The present government at Bucharest is a coalition affair, with communists in key positions. They plan to liquidate the coalition, one party after another, beginning with the Liberals. The Socialists to come next, the others later. The Communists have actually ~~won~~ ~~one~~ one-fourth of the ^{the Rumanian} seats in Parliament.

MARSHALL

If the nations of Europe want economic help from Uncle Sam, they will have to draw the line against Communism and ~~hold~~ ^{then hold that} ~~in the wrong~~ line. ~~that is the~~ ^{And that's} ~~the~~ ^{the} Truman Foreign Policy as restated today by Secretary of State Marshall. ~~at a Press Conference.~~ In other words, the restoration of stability in Europe is up to the peoples of Europe, including those of the Soviet countries.

The Secretary suggested that the European nations ~~get into a huddle~~ ^{should get together} and determine the problems of each country; ~~and~~ what each ~~country~~ needs. If they do that, ^{then} Uncle Sam will be ready to help.

A story from London brings word that the British Government has already considered the calling of a conference of the European nations by the middle of August, for just that purpose. Reporters ~~asked~~ ^{See,} Marshall whether he included Soviet Russia among the European nations. He replied ~~definitely~~ that he did.

However, Downing Street expects that Soviet Russia and the countries of the Soviet Bloc will cold-shoulder the

proposed conference. The British say that if the Russians want to come in, they will be welcome. Otherwise the other countries will have to get along without them.

FARLEY

The late President Roosevelt never took his king-maker, M James A. Farley, into the bosom of his family, even though every one agreed that smiling Jim was more responsible for F.D.R.'s being in the White House than any other single man. This we learn from Jim Farley himself. ~~In a piece published by~~ ^{TP} ~~Collier's~~ ⁱⁿ ~~magazine,~~ Jim says that his President never invited him to spend so much as a night at the White House. The relationship between the two was strictly political, hardly ever social. The only time he was invited on the Presidential Yacht was for political conferences. ~~That~~ Mrs. Roosevelt once made the comment: "Franklin finds it hard to relax with people who are not his ~~main~~ social equals." And Farley says he took that remark to explain his being out of the infield.

The rift between Farley and Roosevelt has caused tons of ink to flow, but Jim himself has ~~never~~ ^{been good} enough sport ~~never to make~~ ^{until now,} ~~before made any~~ ^{reference to it,} not even in the memoirs he published a few years ago.

The rift between them, says Farley, was hardly perceptible at first. Nobody noticed it until it had gone so far that it could not be healed. The first break came after the public ~~appearance~~ appearance of the late President at Chicago in October, Nineteen Thirty-Six. Farley and Roosevelt were on the platform together, while the crowd gave them a tremendous ovation.^R Next day, Marvin McIntyre, the President's Secretary, came to Farley, obviously ill at ease. After hemming and hawing, McIntyre said it was thought best that in the future, Farley should never appear on the platform at the same time as the President. Later in the same month, however, Mr. Roosevelt described Farley publicly as a man who had never done or said a mean thing.^{And} Later in the same year, Farley was told that the President thought ^{Farley,} he was nursing Presidential aspirations for Nineteen Forty, ~~but he had not thought of it in Nineteen Thirty Six~~

^{F. D. R.}
Tim Farley supported ~~Mr. Roosevelt~~ [^] in his attempt to transform the Supreme Court, but he ~~did~~

opposed him a year later, when he tried to purge the Democratic Party of those who had not gone along with him on all issues.

Jim Farley today believes that Franklin D. Roosevelt never forgave because he, Farley put party solidarity above the personal allegiance he considered was due to him. Also that he never forgave former Vice-President Garner for taking his vacation in June, Nineteen Thirty-Seven while the Supreme Court fight was raging.

CHAPLIN

Speaker Martin ~~xxx~~ took stern measures with one member of the House of Representatives today. All because of Charlie Chaplin.

It was Congressman Rankin of Mississippi who started it, with a demand that the Department of Justice take steps to deport Chaplin, send him back to London, whence he came long years ago. This on the grounds that Chaplin was a producer of filthy pictures.

Many unkind things have been said about the one-time Tramp with the floppy shoes, the baggy pants, and the derby hat. But this is a new one.

A California Congressman, Chet Holifield, arose to reply and started by ~~xx~~ saying that it was not his business to defend Chaplin or anybody else in Hollywood, but - he then referred to John Rankin as a member of the ~~xxxx~~ "un-American Committee". That brought Rankin to his feet. Speaker Martin acted promptly and announced that Lawmaker Holifield's privileges were suspended for the rest of the day.

Which obliged ~~Holifield~~ Holifield to be silent, although he still could vote. Later on Holifield explained that his remark was a slip of the tongue and he'd have more to say about it tomorrow, when he would be allowed to speak again.

Rankin declared that the term "unAmerican Committee" was a sour crack, used by Communists, and he pointed out that ~~those~~ attacks on the Committee on un-American activities had been going on for a long time, and he has made up his mind to put a stop to ~~em~~ them wherever he can.

As for Chaplin, and the accusation about producing questionable pictures - that was not the only remark Congressman Rankin made. He pointed out that Charlie has made millions in this country without becoming an ~~ambassador~~ citizen -- something of which ^{Congressman} ~~Rankin~~ Rankin = disapproved ⁵.

FLOODS

The floods seem to be worse than ever tonight - both the Missouri and the Mississippi. Heavy rains last night swelling the waters of all their tributaries. And now new crests are on the way. The Red Cross reports that five thousand now homeless principally in Missouri and Illinois.

MEAT

Cattle prices still rising in Chicago's stockyards.

We are warned that today's prices are going to stay where they are, at least until next August. That "the nation's retail butchers" don't like the higher prices and don't want them any higher than necessary. But, consumers with tenderloin and porter house appetites had better be content with beef stew".

TRIAL

They had to go into the streets today in Santa Ana, California, to find jurors for the time-bomb murder trial. Court bailiffs actually dragging protesting men and women into the courtroom. Constables searching downtown stores to find eligible jurors. Even then we hear there still were not enough Santa Ana citizens on hand to form a jury and get the much publicized trial under way - the trial of eighteen year old Beulah Louise Overell and her sweetheart, twenty-one-year old George Gollum, accused of murdering the girl's parents with a time bomb.

Not many are anxious to serve on the jury partly because the trial is ~~xxxx~~ expected to be a long one. And the prosecution claims the defense is stalling, rejecting many prospective jurors without apparent cause. Four tentative juries thus far have been thrown out by defense challenges.

They brought in twenty-three more unwilling citizens today. That didn't prove enough. Now Superior

Judge Kenneth Morrison has ordered fifty ~~ja~~ more brought in -- from the barber shops, the clothing stores, markets, homes, service stations, theaters --- anywhere they can be found. And the folk of Santa Ana are a wary group tonight.

CHURCHILL

The right Honorable Winston Churchill is mad, you might say hopping mad, only he is on a sick bed and can't hop. The doctors won't let him smoke those long Havana cigars for which the seventy-three year old war Prime Minister is famous. As a special treat, they promise him he can smoke one, next Wednesday. Meanwhile he must put up with his diet of glucose and water -- but no cigars. The report is that his amazing vitality is helping him recover much more quickly than his doctors had thought possible.

STATUES

Vandals in Rome! That sounds familiar. But these later-day vandals, what is their offense? Why washing a couple of statues, the Venus of Cyrenaica and the one of ~~Ym~~ Niobe, that used to be in the gardens of the historian Sallust.

Art experts say that giving those statues a bath is an offense comparable to taking the fuzz off a peach, shaking a martinè, or, well you name it. ^{Instead of the usual} ~~For the~~ discoloration of ~~these~~ ancient sculptures ~~is called by artists a Patina, the Patina of Centuries~~ } Today, alas, they are gleaming white; as they were when first unveiled. And it will take twenty-five centuries for them to recover their sun tan. One critic declared mournfully that they now look as if they had come fresh off the production line.

GOLF

The British Women's Amateur Golf Champion tonight is -- yes, it's the Babe. To the U.S.A. for the first time, goes this honor - due to the Superma'm -- Babe Didrickson Zaharias of Denver.

The Babe's chances didn't look so good this morning. For nearly every one of the first nine holes, she was either in the rough or in a sand trap. Only her terrific drives saved her from falling way behind. As it was, she kept even with her opponent, pretty young Jaqueline Gordon, for the first eighteen holes.

Babe Zaharias placed the blame for her wild playing on the skirts she was wearing. "This afternoon" she said "I am going to wear my lucky pants". And so she did. And the afternoon's play was a walk-over. She beat the pretty Scotch girl ~~four and~~ five and four, decisive enough in any tournament. Because she was wearing her Lucky pants. And now here's Nelson who always wears his!