

Firearms Plant Workers Strike

By The Associated Press Colt's Patent Firearms company at Hartford, Conn., one of the nation's largest armaments factories, was affected by a strike of some of its 5,600 non-union workers today but a walkout threatened at the Hudson Motor company in Detroit was postponed.

Shipyards strikes continued to tie up more than half a billion dollars worth of naval construction at Boston and San Francisco.

Neither side in the Colt's company dispute revealed demands, but it was reported the strikers wanted a wage increase of about 20 per cent, in present schedules of hourly rates of from 50 cents to \$1.20. A company official said an offer of a 10 per cent increase was rejected last night.

Cliff Day To Speak Here On Thursday

Farmers of Howard county are inviting Cliff Day, prominent farm spokesman, in an address in the district court room. Day, who is now a field representative of the A.A.A. will be in West Texas to make talks here and in Martin county. He will appear under sponsorship of the Howard County Farm Bureau.

Day is a Hale county farmer and for many years was a leader in farmers' organizations. He spent much time in Washington as lobbyist for farmers' interests before taking his present position with A.A.A.

The subject of Day's talk will be the possibilities of obtaining party loans and payments on the 1941 cotton crop. Under a bill now pending in the house of representatives, cotton would have a loan value of about 18 cents this year, pegging the farmers' income at that level.

Horse Show Entry List Passes 50

Entry lists on the Rotary club's second annual charity horse show on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, jumped up Tuesday to reach the 50 mark, said Dr. M. H. Bennett, a co-director of the event.

This figure, he pointed out, includes only the animals from stables over the area and does not touch those in park and pleasure classes and those required for the thrilling Pony Express race.

Added to the list have been 10 top mounts from the Joe D. Hughes stables at Houston, including Ancho Rebel, a steed shown ridden by Leslie Howard in the epochal production, "Gone With the Wind." In addition the Rockwood Stables of Fort Worth listed several outstanding horses, and there were other single entries from that city. Still due to come in were entries from Dallas stables.

Children under the age of 16 years were urged by Dr. Bennett to enter the park class. Blanks may be obtained either from Dr. Bennett or from the Elmo Wasson's Men's Store. To date there have been only about eight entries. There is no fee.

While this is set for Friday evening, the adult park or pleasure class on Saturday evening was attracting considerable interest. It is open only to Big Spring riders and there is no entry fee. With the number of top entries mounting daily, all indications pointed to a substantially bigger and better show than last year when the first event scored a big hit.

Weather Forecast

U. S. Weather Bureau

WEST TEXAS - Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday with afternoon and evening thundershowers over the southwest portion and in the Panhandle Wednesday; warmer tonight, cooler in the Panhandle Wednesday afternoon.

EAST TEXAS - Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; fresh southerly winds on coast, becoming stormy Wednesday.

Extended West Texas forecast for period beginning 6:30 p. m. Tuesday and ending 4:30 p. m. Saturday: Temperatures generally above normal with rising trend first half of period. Rainfall generally moderate, except locally heavy in thundershowers spreading eastward.

LOCAL DATA Highest Temp. Mon. 77.7 Lowest Temp. Tues. 62.3 Sunset Tuesday 7:35 p. m. Sunrise Wednesday 5:49 a. m.

All The World Wants To Know: What Does Hess' Flight Mean?



Idle In Shipyard - A joint strike of 1700 AFL and CIO machinists at eleven San Francisco bay area shipyards and drydocks left 20,000 workers idle. At the Moore Drydock at Oakland non-striking workers milled around the entrance rather than enter through picket lines. The closed plants hold \$500,000,000 in warship and defense contracts.

Convoy Showdown Near In United States Senate

LONDON, May 13 (AP)—British merchant shipping losses in the battle of the Atlantic in April—301,700 tons out of a total of 488,124 tons sunk in all theatres of the war during the month—were the lowest in 11 months, it was announced today.

The month's total previously was included in an announcement Saturday which placed losses in the year since the Nazi invasion of the low countries at 1,098 ships totaling 4,734,407 tons.

The sharply reduced sinkings in the Atlantic, authoritative quarters asserted, indicated the effectiveness of counter-measures against Adolf Hitler's air, surface and undersea weapons.

"There are no signs that the results of the great efforts the enemy is making will enable him to attain the quick victory he needs" one highly-placed informant said.

Pepper, who has been demanding "affirmative action" by this country against the axis, told reporters that "public opinion has reached the point where, if convoys are necessary to deliver the goods, the people will support them."

A senate vote some time this week on the convoy issue was virtually assured yesterday when the senate commerce committee gave 11-to-4 approval to the house-approved administration bill for requisitioning of foreign shipping now idle in domestic ports.

Once this bill is brought to the floor, Senator Tobey (R-NH) intends to offer an amendment which would prohibit the use of naval vessels for convoy duty. Attempts for legislation banning convoys have been futile on several previous occasions, and administration polls were said to indicate sufficient votes to defeat Tobey's proposal.

There was much cloakroom conversation, meanwhile, on President Roosevelt's decision to cancel his scheduled Wednesday night address before the heads of Latin American diplomatic missions. The White House announced late yesterday that Mr. Roosevelt would make a fireside chat to the nation instead on May 27.

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English Navy Shells Bengasi

Aboard a flagship with the British Mediterranean fleet, May 13 (AP) A British cruiser-destroyer squadron swept into mine-strewn Bengasi Harbor, Libya, and hurled perhaps 100 tons of high explosive shells into that axis base last Wednesday night.

Striking this new blow at fascist attempts to reinforce their lines in Cirene, eastern Libya, the cruiser Ajax, one of the vanquishers of the Admiral Graf Spee, led four destroyers in a shelling of ships anchored alongside the Bengasi mole.

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British Rejoice At Rift In Nazi Ranks

By The Associated Press German propaganda today described the melodramatic 800-mile escape flight of Rudolf Hess to Scotland as the act of a man "mentally deranged because of physical illness," while elsewhere speculation arose that the Nazi deputy party leader might divulge information which would strike a serious blow at Adolf Hitler's war plan.

As British foreign office experts questioned Hess in a Scottish hospital, Minister of Information Alfred Duff Cooper told rejoicing Britons:

"I can only say that his arrival here shows the first breach in the Nazi party that has occurred since Hitler murdered a huge bloc of his own followers on June 30, 1933."

Duff Cooper referred to the notorious "blood purge" in which Hess helped execute Hitler's orders.

Countering German assertions that Hess was mentally ill, the British pointed out that for a "madman" he made an adroit job of flying the 800 miles from Germany to Scotland and bailing out when he failed to sight a landing place for his Messerschmitt in the darkness. The plane's fighting guns were not loaded.

An official Nazi party communiqué declared:

"Hess appears to have lived under the hallucination that he was still able to bring about an understanding between Germany and England through personal action with old English acquaintances."

The British said flatly that Hitler's long-time boon friend and No. 2 choice for the Fuehrership in the event of Hitler's death had brought no suggestion of peace.

The purpose of his flight remained as deep a mystery as ever, although the British seized the incident as evidence of a rift in Nazi leadership.

Amid a flood of rumors, word circulated at Glasgow that Hess brought important information about the German air force which he wanted to communicate to the British.

Authoritative quarters in London said Hess' flight from the Reich was the act of a sane man and added cryptically that it was carried out in defiance of German authority.

These quarters said Hess brought no peace terms, and declared Hitler's deputy knew that if he had gone to a neutral country instead of parachuting onto a Scottish moor—as he did last Saturday night—he would have been in danger of being "bumped off" by Nazi agents.

Photographs of the swift Messerschmitt fighting plane in which Hess flew from Augsburg, Germany, showed the tail was punctured by machine-gun bullets—apparently either by German or British pursuers.

The plane, which crashed as Hess dropped to safety with a broken ankle, was wrecked, the engine half-buried in the ground.

British officials said that Hess, lying in a Glasgow hospital, had been "positively identified" by Ivone Kirkpatrick, former British charge d'affaires in Berlin, and that he had been examined by doctors and found sane.

In Berlin, commenting on the war's strangest episode, a Nazi spokesman rejected stories that Hess fled to save his life from a possible impending "blood purge," declaring:

"He was not troubled by any notion the Gestapo or anyone else was pursuing him. Nothing like a purge of the party or government either was feared by Hess or is in the offing."

In Washington, diplomatic circles said if Hess' good faith were established, the British would gain a wealth of highly reliable information on Hitler's war schemes—particularly since Hess was a member of the Fuehrer's secret war council.

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RUDOLPH HESS

Nazi Morale Shaken, Say US Sources

WASHINGTON, May 13 (AP)—Diplomatic circles seemed agreed today that the melodramatic flight of Rudolf Hess to Britain would be a great blow to the morale of the German people, no matter what explanation they accept.

Both the official German and the British accounts of the war's strangest episode, it was said, contain elements that can hardly be reassuring to the average man in the third Reich.

These sources reasoned as follows: The German version speaks of Hess' "falling health for years" and raises doubts as to his sanity, at least at the time he decamped.

Inasmuch as Hess continued active in important government and Nazi party affairs almost to the end, the inevitable question arises as to Hess' mental condition for some time past.

In short, the German people may well wonder how long important affairs have been in the hands of a man of dubious mental stability.

The British account shows different seeds of doubt. It represents Hess, long one of Hitler's closest associates, as deserting the Fuehrer at the high tide of victory to surrender voluntarily in Great Britain. And it stresses his complete sanity.

Accepted in this light, Hess' flight can only dumbfound the average German, it was said. There never had been any question of Hess' loyalty to Hitler in the past. He had stuck to the Fuehrer during the most discouraging days of the Nazi movement.

Why this amazing turnabout? Did it mean he saw defeat ahead for the Reich? Had he lost faith in Hitler?

Texas House Asks Rudolf To Visit

AUSTIN, May 13 (AP)—The Texas house of representatives today invited Rudolf Hess to drop in and give it the lowdown on his travels.

It adopted a resolution to this effect which noted he was "now sojourning in Glasgow, Scotland, a sister democracy."

"He has become famous overnight as a world traveler," the resolution said. The visit could be at his "whimsy," it stated.

Nazi Leaders Get Pep Talk

BERLIN, May 13 (AP)—Close upon Rudolf Hess' flight to Scotland—with what Nazis called an "hallucination" of German-British peace—the sub-leadership of the Reich met today with Adolf Hitler for a show of "determined will for victory."

Hitler addressed the gathering, the official party news service said, but no other details of the meeting were given. In response to the Fuehrer's address, it was said, "party leaders gave the Fuehrer x x x an impressive demonstration of determined will for victory."

think this is one of those cases in which the imagination is somewhat baffled by the facts as they present themselves.

The house laughed heartily. Laborite John James Lawson asked that "in view of German propaganda statements on the wireless that Hess was suffering from mental instability," has Mr. Churchill any information upon this point; is that particular dis-

Laughter Resounds In Bomb-Scarred House— Commons Joke About Hess Walkout

LONDON, May 13 (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill announced in the house of commons today that a further statement would be made shortly about the surprising flight of Rudolf Hess to Scotland.

Sir Henry Morris-Jones, a liberal, asked "will the news be handled with skill and imagination?" "I was with the minister of information until a very late hour last night," Churchill replied. "I

Mrs. Douglass Returns From TB Convention

Mrs. J. C. Douglass returned Monday evening from a trip to South Texas and one which took her to the annual convention of the National Tuberculosis Association at San Antonio.

Reservations For Williams Banquet Many

With tickets not yet printed, reservations for the banquet honoring Reuben Williams, state highway commissioner and former Big Spring resident, were past 50 at noon Tuesday.

Scorer Finds Going Too Tough

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., May 13 (AP)—Concluding that almost anything can be run into the ground, Roy Bosson, Hot Springs newspaperman, resigned today as official scorer at Hot Springs for the Cotton States league, the reason:

Cowper Clinic And Hospital Notes

Mary Ann Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brown of Coahoma, was dismissed from the hospital Sunday after receiving medical treatment.

Japanese Start Biggest Drive

LONDON, May 13 (AP)—A Reuters (British News Agency) dispatch from Chungking today said that the greatest Japanese drive since the battle of Hankow in 1938 appears to be in full swing.

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Completion Of Church Planned By West Siders

Membership of the West Side Baptist church is opening a concerted campaign to finish construction of the new building.

Electric Co-Op Extensions Due

Two extensions, which would become a part of the "C" section of the Caprock Electric Cooperative, are shaping up, said O. B. Bryan, district supervisor, Tuesday.

Jury Hangs In Slaying Case

SAN ANTONIO, May 13 (AP)—Following 18 1/2 hours of deliberation on the fate of Jack A. Rupert, who pleaded guilty to an indictment charging the slaying of E. L. Agnew, San Antonio engineer-soldier, a criminal district court jury was discharged today after telling Judge W. W. McCarty that they were unable to agree on a verdict.

MARKETS Wall Street

NEW YORK, May 13 (AP)—Leading stocks made rallying gestures in today's market but most lacked conviction.

Livestock

FORT WORTH, May 13 (AP)—(U.S. Dept. Agr.)—Cattle, salable 2,400, total 3,000; calves, salable 1,200, total 1,500; beef steers and weight yearlings slow, around 25c off for the two days, other classes cattle and calves steady; most medium and good slaughter steers and yearlings 8.25-9.75, few good and choice 10.00-50, best yearlings held higher, common sorts 7.00-8.00; beef cows 6.00-8.00, short load 8.10, canners and cutters 4.00-6.00; bulls 5.50-7.50, killing calves 7.00-10.50, culls 6.00-7.00, choice vealers to 12.00, springing; good stocker steer calves 10.50-12.00, few choice yearling feeder steers 9.00-10.75.

Grain

CHICAGO, May 13 (AP)—Buyings based on reports that a legislative conference committee had agreed on a loan program of 85 per cent of parity payments for wheat and corn hoisted values here today.

Wool Market

BOSTON, May 13 (AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Australian and South American wools were receiving a fair demand at firm prices. The bulk of the business was on fine and half-blood grades although 3-8 and 1-4 blood South American wools also were active.

Cotton

NEW YORK, May 13 (AP)—Cotton shot up more than \$2.00 a bale today to reach new 4-year high.

Here 'n There

The defense program gradually is being felt in almost every walk of life and certainly the Caprock Electric Cooperative has felt it.

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Children Rush Stamp Program

Working by classrooms, Big Spring school children were turning on the steam for defense stamps, according to reports from school authorities Tuesday.

Defense Banquet To Climax Mineral Wells WTCC Meet

MINERAL WELLS, May 13 (AP)—West Texans, many hundreds of them, have a dinner date in Mineral Wells Friday evening, May 16, with the West Texas chamber of commerce. The National Defense-Sheppard Testimonial banquet, closing the WTCC's annual convention, is expected to set a new high for the territory in numbers attending.

Selective Service Staff Keeps Busy

A busy place Tuesday was the selective service headquarters for Howard county, and prospects were that it would become progressively busier for the next month and a half.

Big Spring Hospital Notes

Mary Wasson, Coahoma, underwent appendectomy Monday.

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Wheat Loan Of 85 Cents Expected

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BERMUDA HARBOR SCENE—Wartime's increasing emphasis on the Atlantic has sharpened interest in Bermuda, Trinidad, and the West Indies where U.S. is building defense bases...

Legislature Will Get Pay Cut This Week; Adjournment Of Recess Thought Near

AUSTIN, May 13 (AP)—The legislature gets a pay cut this week. The reduction from \$10 to \$5 daily after Tuesday, the 120th day of the general session, might hasten action on a recess proposal pending in the senate.

Garden City Students Hold Banquet Here

Carrying out the patriotic theme of Americanization, Garden City Juniors and seniors held their annual banquet at the Crawford hotel here Saturday evening.

Entertainment featured little Barbara Lu Currie, in a vocal selection with Mavis Montgomery at the piano, and Isabel Cox in piano selections.

Bandmen Of Garden City Win Honors

GARDEN CITY, May 13 (Sp1)—Winners in the recent regional contest at Kermit captured more honors for Garden City high school in national music contests at Waco last weekend.

Crude Flow Shows Gain

TULSA, Okla., May 13 (AP)—Crude oil production in the United States increased 250,115 barrels daily to a total of 3,748,735 barrels during the week ended May 10, the Oil and Gas Journal said today.

Westbrook FFA Chapter Wins

WESTBROOK, May 13—The local F.F.A. chapter won first place in the Area II contest at Grand Falls on Saturday, it was learned here today.

RADIO LOG

- Tuesday Evening 5:15 Here's Morgan. 5:30 Confidentially Yours. 5:45 Supper Dances. 6:00 Happy Rambler. 6:15 Selective Service. 6:20 Ned Jordan, Secret Agent. 7:00 News. 7:15 Mexico City: Music. 7:30 Morton Gould Orchestra. 7:45 News. 8:00 Minnie Dins. 8:15 Star Meyers Orchestra. 8:30 Night Time Melodies. 9:45 Gita Tucker Orchestra. 10:00 News. 10:15 Sports. 10:30 Goodnight. Wednesday Morning 7:00 Musical Clock. 7:30 Star Reporter. 7:45 Musical Clock. 8:00 Morning Devotions. 8:15 Musical Impressions. 8:30 Singing Strings. 8:45 What's Doing Around Big Spring. 9:00 News. 9:15 Melody Strings. 9:30 The Voice of Romance. 9:45 Easy Aces. 10:00 Neighbors. 10:15 Our Gal Sunday. 10:30 Love Songs of Today. 10:45 Morning Interlude. 10:55 Musical Interlude. 11:05 Dr. Amos R. Wood. 11:10 Musical Interlude. 11:15 Lest We Forget. 11:30 Helen Holden, Gov't Girl. 11:45 I'll Find My Way. 12:00 Noontime Melodies. Wednesday Afternoon 12:15 News. 12:30 Singin' Sam. 1:00 Defense Savings. 1:05 Luncheon Dance. 1:15 Milo Perez Orch. 1:45 Mel Marvin Orch. 2:00 Shafter Parker & Circus. 2:15 John Agnew, Organ. 2:30 The Johnson Family. 2:45 Edna O'Dell and Piano. 3:00 News: Markets. American Family Robinson. 3:15 Jack Curran, Songs. 3:45 Afternoon Interlude. 4:00 News: Eddie Rogers Orch. 4:30 Songs by Lowry Kohler. 4:45 Tea Time Tunes. 5:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr. Wednesday Evening 5:15 Here's Morgan. 5:30 Isabel Cox, Piano. 5:30 Supper Dance Melodies. 5:45 Supper Dance Melodies. 6:00 Mystery Hall. 6:30 The Lone Ranger. 7:00 News. 7:15 From London: Music. 7:30 Adventures in Rhythm. 8:00 News. 8:15 Lang Thompson Orch. 8:30 Whispering Smith. 8:30 President Roosevelt. 9:15 Dick Kuhn Orch. 9:30 Night Time Melodies. 10:00 News. 10:15 Sports. 10:30 Goodnight. The odds are 16 to one against a child in the first grade of elementary school ever receiving a college degree.



HAIRCUTS, MISTERS?—Four Hawaiians arrived in Honolulu with good excuses for the long hair; they'd been on lonely Jarvis, Enderbury and Howland islands. Left to right: John Toomey, Lawrence Ching, David Kalama; front, Mike McCortison.

Little People Fight Big War In London These Days

By EDDIE GILMORE LONDON, May 13 (AP)—A lot of big things are happening to a lot of little people in London these days and not getting into the papers.

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