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Huge Profits Found in Black Markets

Truman Urges South American Nations to Join Defense Plan; Loophole Caused Alcatraz Riot

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of (Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

BLACK MARKETS: Huge Profits

Indicative of the huge profits being made in the black market, the Chicago district collector of internal revenue disclosed that approximately four million dollars in delinquent income taxes have been paid by black marketers since March 15. Payments of two illegal operators totaled one million dollars each.

Because the treasury is concerned with the collection of taxes that are due rather than in the legality of the source of income, black marketers may escape prosecution if the revenue bureau has not opened investigation of their cases.

Meanwhile, reports from Washington, D. C., indicated that the department of justice plans an all-out attack on the black market, with Att. Gen. Tom Clark holding that the best means of throttling illegal operators is by nailing them on tax evasions. At the same time, OPA has doubled its enforcement staff to 850 and is receiving FBI aid in assaulting the black market in meat.

PAN-AMERICA: Defense Plan

In asking congress to authorize U. S. training, organization and equipment of South American countries, President Truman declared that such aid would enable them to participate in hemispheric security as envisaged in the charter of Chapultepec. As the strongest Pan-American nation, it is natural for the U. S. to assume defensive leadership, he said.

As precedent for close U. S. and Pan American military relations, Mr. Truman pointed out that this country has collaborated with other hemispheric republics for several years within the framework of the good neighbor policy. Military and naval training missions have been sent south of the border and limited supplies were lend-leased during the war.

Implementation of the program would not result in an arms race or materially increase the level of armaments in South America since this country would not countenance uncontrolled distribution of munitions, the President said.

COAL STRIKE: Congress Stirred

Congressional clamor for restrictive labor legislation mounted as the soft coal strike continued after the breakdown of initial efforts to bring the United Mine Workers and operators together and government seizure of the properties loomed.

Having consulted with the UMW's 250-man policy committee, John L. Lewis stuck by his demands that the negotiators first discuss a health and welfare fund before considering wage and safety issues. Reiteration of the UMW demands followed federal conciliator Paul W. Fuller's attempt to break the deadlock in the parleys and get the miners back into pits while a new contract was being drawn.

As the strike dragged on and dwindling fuel supplies slowed crimped industry, utilities and transportation, Senator Knowland (Rep., Calif.) demanded early con-



Lewis is tough labor leader.

sideration of labor disputes legislation if the deadlock was not resolved. Seeking to forestall restrictive measures, Senator Barkley (Dem., Ky.) administration floor leader, cautioned against hasty action just because congress "is mad at somebody," meaning Lewis.

ALCATRAZ: Prison Flaw

Designed to house the nation's most incorrigible convicts, the prison cells at Alcatraz possessed one small—very small—loophole which permitted a scheming and wiry des-

perado to attempt the sensational jail-break that resulted in the death of 5 and wounding of 15.

Atop a tier of cells in Cell Block C runs a gun gallery for guards, with the horizontal bars enclosing it 5 inches apart but the cross-bars 18 inches apart. While in the cell block on prison duty, wiry, little Bernard Paul Coy, Louisville, Ky., bank robber, spied the spacing and figured that he could wriggle through if he could only bend the horizontal bars.

When released for cleaning duty in the cell block the first day of the break, Coy watched until the guard passed on his rounds and then clambered up to the gun gallery like a monkey. Equipped with a "spreader" devised from odd pieces of pipe, Coy managed to bend the horizontal bars enough to wriggle into the gallery, where he waited until Guard Bert Burch appeared. Slugging him with his "spreader," Coy then took his coat and keys and a 30.06 Springfield rifle, with 50 cartridges; a .45 caliber automatic pistol, with 21 cartridges, and several gas "billsies." It was with these weapons that the desperado held out after being released from their cells with the captured keys.

ARABS: United Front

Reacting quickly to an Anglo-American commission report that 100,000 Jews be admitted immediately to Palestine and allowed to reside there on even terms with the Arabs, the entire Arab world united into a single front to resist implementation of the recommendation.

Complicating the situation for the U. S. was Ibn Saud's alignment of

Saudi Arabia into the Arab camp since long cultivation of this powerful monarch resulted in development of friendly relations between the two countries and U. S. acquisition of valuable petroleum concessions. By taking his stand beside the Arab league of the near east, embracing 33 million Arabs, Ibn Saud could wield potent influence in negotiations with the U. S. and British over Palestine.

Native Christians as well as Moslems joined in protest against the admission of 100,000 Jewish refugees into the Holy Land. In protests to King George VI of England, Pope Pius, Premier Stalin, Generalissimo Kai-shek and President Gouin of France, Arab Catholics declared that enforcement of the commission recommendations would result in crowding of Arabs from Palestine.

FRANCE: To the Right

Though greatly strengthened by France's rejection of the proposed new constitution supported by the leftists, the rightist Popular Republican Movement (MRP) pledged to remain in the coalition government so that the country's representatives at the foreign ministers meeting in Paris would enjoy united backing in the diplomatic negotiations.

The popular vote on the constitutional issue came at a time when French delegates to the Paris conference pressed their claims to parts of the Italian border and demanded an arrangement for controlling the vital Ruhr and Rhineland to prevent the rebirth of German militarism and threat of future aggression.

As a result of the rejection of the proposed constitution, elections will have to be held June 2 for the selection of another constituent assembly to frame a new charter.

FOREIGN MINISTERS: Work Hard

The Big Four's foreign ministers, meeting in Paris to speed up the formulation of peace treaties for



Sen. Vandenberg (left) and Secretary Byrnes leave ministers' session.

enemy countries, worked feverishly on Italian and Balkan problems in an attempt to avert a deadlock which would further aggravate the economic disorganization of the continent.

While there were indications when the foreign ministers first met that the troublesome question of Trieste would be settled between Italy and Yugoslavia along racial lines, Molotov of Russia balked at the proposal. In seeking to have the strategic port and its surrounding area turned over to Soviet-sponsored Tito of Yugoslavia, Molotov offered to halve Russian reparations claims against Italy and relinquish demands for a trusteeship over Tripolitania in North Africa astride Britain's Mediterranean lifeline.

Quick to reject Molotov's offer, the U. S. and Britain asserted no Italian government could sign a peace treaty giving away predominantly Italian Trieste and Russia possessed no title to Tripolitania and could not consider the colony as its own for bartering.

WASHINGTON DIGEST

Columnist's Thoughts Turn To Squirrels

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Summer was creeping toward the Potomac, the flag over the White House hung limp as a wilted petal, a hot sun, burning through the infrequent gaps in the heavy foliage, made yellow patches on the lawn. The fountain splashed faintly, falling like warm, futile tears.

I moved slowly along the drive, wondering if I could garner even a modicum of answers to meet emptiness left by the thousands of unanswered questions the world is asking.

I looked under the Japanese oaks whose tightly laced leaves, only a little above the ground, smother the young grass, hopefully starting up each spring, withering in the shadows before July. There, bored and half asleep, I could make out the form of the old gray squirrel.

Often this winter, he had come to my rescue when other "dependable sources" and "authoritative quarters" refused to yield up their secrets. But this time, he barely nodded, and looked away, deep in his meditations, probably a nuclear problem of some sort.

A few moments later, I was taking down notes at a not very newsworthy press and radio conference. The President, I feared, did not feel as cheerful as he looked. The handkerchief in his breast pocket was neatly folded in its customary three flat, razor-sharp triangles. (Sometimes his answers were almost as sharp.) The great red carnations on the table behind his desk, which holds the photographs of members of his family, were already drooping. The low hum of the mowing machine came in the open windows that look toward the Potomac.

Of what was said of import to the nation and the world, you will have read by the time these lines are printed. The rest was trivia.

We walked out of the executive offices. I glanced under the Japanese oaks, but my friend, the squirrel, had gone, the vista looked very bare and cheerless. So I went back and talked about it.

As soon as mail could reach me from Sturgeon Lake, Minn., I received a letter and a package. The writer said that as I had mentioned that it seemed impossible to raise grass on the shaded parts of the White House grounds, I might be interested in this sample of quack grass which she offered, and she wrote: "If it won't grow there, I'll be glad to know there is some place it won't grow."

The next day, I acknowledged the gift, and opined that quack grass must be another name for crabgrass which I remembered as the bane of my lawn-mowing experience. Soon I received other communications.



Baukhage consults the old gray squirrel.

repens) propagates by seeds and creeping rootstalks. Crabgrass re-seeds itself each year." Another letter came from Robert L. ("Pop") Davis, "Amateur Mulch Gardener" of Thorsby, Ala. He referred to my mention of crabgrass as a pest, and then he went on: "Having spent years at my hobby of looking for the most useful plant for growing summer mulch in my gardens, and deciding that crabgrass was it, I cannot resist a challenge. Even though millions of gardeners agree with your remarks, I still challenge them. At present, I have a spring garden growing without any hoeing on land covered with a thick lay-

er of last year's dead crabgrass.

"Scarcely a weed can grow through it, not even this year's crabgrass.

"You see, I am 'Pop,' the laziest gardener in the world, and I refuse to gather, haul and spread mulch when crabgrass will do it for me, and do a better job of it. I make it mulch the land for me by leaving it strictly alone. I may even encourage it with fertilizer. After I have gathered my early spring vegetables, I let the crabgrass take over. In early fall, when the crabgrass stops growing here, I mow it down. I then have that mulch gardener's delight, a mellow mulchy spot where most anything can grow without using spade or hoe. I use a potato digger to dig planting holes."

But that is not all. "Pop" may be the laziest gardener in the world, but he is a vigorous poet. He enclosed a poem of which (alas) I have room only for one verse and refrain. Here it is:

"Bring me a hoe; pull 'em all up!
Chick weed, crabgrass, dig and cut!
Stoop down low! Nothing but trash,
Goosefoot, pigweed and Johnston grass;
Just no time to look at the sky,
Fleecy clouds a-floating by;
Work 'til you're such a crook in the back
That gardening pleasure's gone, a-lack!
"Wisdom may have a foolish sound;
Crabgrass mulch is good for the ground,
Let the weeds grow! Bring me a chair!
Crabgrass mulch is everywhere,
Soft and thick and brown."

Flame Cultivator Used to Hoe Weeds from Cotton

COVINGTON, TENN. — A revolutionary "flame cultivator" has been produced in TVA workshops and is being demonstrated by W. C. Harris, who is trying to grow 50 acres of cotton without the use of hand labor.

The flame cultivator, which uses butane fuel, is similar to the burner used by railroads to destroy weeds along the tracks. The farm model, however, is mounted on a tractor. Three feet or sleds ride on the ground to support the cultivator and keep the burners at the level desired.

Taking two rows at a time, four burners barely skim the ground, a burner on both sides of each row. "The flame cultivator has been in use in the Mississippi delta for some time," Harold B. Jones reported. "Tests there have proved the culti-

vator will clean the weeds from an acre of cotton at a cost of four cents per acre.

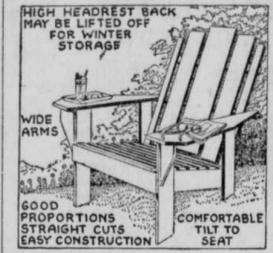
"The flame cultivator has a capacity of 20 acres per day. The model shown is a two-row model and is the model which will accomplish this 20-acre per day cultivation."

"How do you keep from burning the cotton?" was the question asked by several observers.

"The flame cultivator is not used until the cotton is from 6 to 8 inches high and 3/16 of an inch in diameter. The cotton is tough enough then to withstand the heat for the short time it is exposed to it," answered Mr. Jones.

Comfortable Lawn Chair Is a Simple Project to Undertake Over Week End

By Ruth Wyeth Spears



ready to nail or screw the pieces together. A pattern gives bill of materials, large cutting diagrams and illustrated construction steps.

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