

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Truman Treads Middle of Road In Naming New Cabinet Heads; Japs Tighten Hold on Homeland

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Cabinet Changes—President Harry S. Truman continued to tread a middle path in politics with his recent cabinet appointments, taking a New Dealer, an extreme liberal and southern Democrat into his official family.

In naming New Deal Rep. Clinton Anderson (N. M.) and liberal ex-Senator Lewis Schwellenbach (Wash.) as secretaries of agriculture and labor, respectively, Mr. Truman literally went into congressional ranks to make his selections, again moving to re-establish friendly relations between the White House and Capitol Hill.

Though the President accepted Mrs. Perkins' resignation as secretary of labor because of her desire to return to private life, he was said to have taken Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard in an effort to bolster the department, and Attorney General Biddle's as a natural result of the cool relations between them.

The President followed the announcement of his new cabinet appointments with a request to congress for passage of legislation permitting the reorganization of the executive branch of the government.

Sketches of new cabinet members follow:

Anderson: Advocate of abundant production to stifle black markets and inflation. Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson, 49, recently attracted attention as chairman of house food investigating committee.

Schwellenbach: Elected to senate on highly liberal platform in 1934. Secretary of Labor Lewis Schwellenbach, 50, retired in 1940 to become federal judge.

Clark: Dark, quiet 6-foot Attorney General Thomas C. Clark, 45, is representative of the Deep South and the protégé of House Speaker Sam Rayburn and Senator Tom Connally.

JAPAN: Tighen Reins

Backed almost to the wall, Japan increased efforts to shore up the home front for the critical days that lie ahead.

Steps taken to combat the U. S. avalanche included:

- 1. Mobilization and special training of 20,000,000 students and an agrarian militia to defend the homeland.
2. Suppression of all pacifist sentiment and punishment of persons falling to turn in Allied propaganda pamphlets.
3. Efforts to perfect the operations of the Kamikaze (suicide) air corps.
4. Granting of virtual military authority to Japanese employers to utilize the time of their labor as they see fit without regard to working hours, rest periods or other regulations.
5. Collection of nearly 5,000,000,000 bushels of surplus rice from agricultural districts now before bombings disrupt the transport system for distribution to shortage areas.

SECURITY CONFAB: Clear Sailing

With the Big Five—America, Britain, Russia, France and China—having come to agreement on the vital issues of regional action and trusteeships, the heralded international security conference of the United Nations at San Francisco headed for a happy conclusion.

In agreeing to permit regional groups like the Pan-American countries to attempt to settle their own differences or repel the attack of an aggressor before calling upon the world security organization for assistance, the United Nations recognized the U. S.'s attachment to the Monroe doctrine, which the South American republics also took as their own in the Act of Chapultepec.

In the matter of trusteeships, the United Nations also bowed in deference to the U. S., consenting to unrestricted American occupation of conquered Japanese islands for military and naval bases until congress decides to revert control to the world security organization.

GERMANY: Conquest Complete

With the arrest of Grand Adm. Karl Doenitz by Allied authorities in Flensburg, Germany lost all status as an organized state, with her territory carved into three occupa-

BAN DISCRIMINATION

Laws designed to prevent discrimination in employment because of race, color, creed, or national origin have been passed in New York, New Jersey, and Indiana. New Jersey and Utah also enacted more general anti-discriminatory legislation.

Jap Burial Customs

Marines who searched Okinawa's sacred burial vaults for Jap-hidden guns and ammunition learned of the burial customs of the inhabitants of this island.

The Leathernecks saw how food, writing paper, pen and ink, writing board, clothing and candles were placed on the lid of each plain, wooden coffin for "use" of the dead.

FOOD OUTLOOK: Below Expectations

Hope for marked improvement in the meat situation by next fall and through 1946 was dampened by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration's report that this year's estimated pig crops of 87,200,000 head would fall about 5,300,000 below War Food administration goals and result in a loss of eight pounds of pork per person.

At the same time, the AAA declared recent surveys showed that plantings of such important food and feed crops as corn, potatoes, dry beans, sweet potatoes, sugar beets and cane, peanuts and flaxseed also would drop below WFA goals.

If 2,500,000 head short of the 55,500,000 goal as estimated, the spring pig crop would affect fall and winter supplies of pork, while a 2,750,000 shortage in the 37,000,000 goal of fall production would be felt in the summer of 1946.

GREAT BRITAIN: To Vote

Cunning as an international politician, pugnacious Winston Churchill again proved himself no amateur on the home front.

Not only did Churchill force the election, but he also resigned as prime minister, thus letting the door open for a thumping re-indorsement of his position when he himself runs for commons in the July elections.



Winston Churchill

Washington Digest

Cooperation for Peace Based on Compromise

Nations Must Yield Some Sovereignty to Lend Helping Hand Against Threats To World Security.

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SAN FRANCISCO. — The tumult and the shouting dies, the captains and the kings depart, still stands Thine ancient sacrifice — an humble and a contrite heart. . . . so said Kipling in describing the end of a war ("far-called our navies melt away.")

That sounds somewhat idealistic perhaps but let me explain.

I think it is not an exaggeration to say that compromise is the keystone of harmony whether it is a question of interpersonal, interparty, interstate or international relations.

Applied to the United Nations conference on international organization, sacrifice of national aspiration, and compromise which meant yielding actual selfish advantage of the moment in the hope of gaining potential advantage for the general good, have at least given evidence of good will, implemented by popular endorsement, means practical progress toward peace.

Peace More Natural Than War

You may have read a very trenchant article by Emery Reves, authority and writer on international affairs in the current Mercury magazine, which confutes the argument that since war is a part of human nature, it can never be prevented.

Why, he asks, "did cities once wage war against each other and why do they no longer fight each other with weapons today?"

"Why, at certain times did great landowner barons war with each other and why have they ceased the practice?"

"Why did the various churches plunge their adherents into armed warfare and why today, are they able to worship side by side without shooting each other?"

Reves points out that these and other groups, presumably because it was the nature of the beast to once consider it natural to decide their differences with tooth, claw, powder and shot, or bow and arrow and yet that kind of legal murder no longer exists and would horrify modern man.

This is his answer to these provocative questions: "Wars between these social units cease to exist the moment sovereign power is transferred to a larger or higher unit."

That is worth pondering. Yield Sovereignty To Higher Community

The sovereign power of the cities yielded to the power of the nation; England and Scotland yielded their separate sovereignty to the sovereignty of the British crown.

And so he literally left all he had with the sole purpose of making his contribution in the form of a United Nations flag.

That flag has not been officially adopted but it flew in Washington and it flew in San Francisco — a plain white field with four vertical red bars symbolizing, he says, victory, equality, unity and freedom.

He hopes for its official sanction. He feels that this banner may some day become the rallying insignia for the people of all peace-loving nations, who without slackening their loyalty to their own country will respect and support the forces for international good will which this emblem represents.

BARBS . . . by Baukhage

There were several noticeable shortages at the United Nations conference: stenographers who could talk Russian, taxis, butter (no end), news, time to get it, a good excuse to stay longer. There were some surpluses: invitations one couldn't accept, comments on the weather, mutton chops, trolley cars on Market street, propagandists parading as newsmen, talk and work.



Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

MOST of the wars of the world have been fought on California soil, around Hollywood, for the cameras. And believe you me, that includes the fracas that started in the Garden of Eden and is still going on—the battle of the sexes.

All kidding aside, Hollywood has become an expert military tactician, recreating combats from the dawn of history right down to the most modern warfare of World War II.

Within the shadow of Hollywood's peaceful hills Greek phalanxes have marched and died, Cortez and his Spanish invaders have sent Montezuma to his doom. The French have flooded the streets of Paris with the blood of civil war, stormed and captured the Bastille, and sent Marie Antoinette and Louis XVI to the guillotine.

Now It's China Right now Hollywood is doubling for China, and Leslie Fenton is staging a Jap bomber foray against the China coast for "Pardon My Past."

Does the citizen of Richmond, Va., who, after the secession of the southern states owed his allegiance to the Confederacy, enjoy any less rights today when the seat of his federal government is the capital of all the United States. Is the Scotsman in Edinburgh deprived of any privileges which he held when he was a subject of chieftain, laird or Scottish king? On the contrary.

U. S. Learns to Give and Take The American representative who sits in the assembly or is chosen to the council of the proposed United Nations organization is no less the servant of John Q. Citizen of Bingville than the man he elects.

In proportion to their size, there are no less rivalries between San Francisco and Los Angeles than there are between any two nations of the earth. But cities and states of our federal union would no more think of attempting armed warfare with each other than any decent law-abiding citizen would think of shooting up his neighbor to get his radio, his wife or his parking privileges.

When we advance to the point where we can sacrifice the degree of sovereignty of our nation necessary in order to guarantee world order we will be civilized enough to be sure that our sons won't run the chance of killing and being killed as part of a spectacle of mass murder which even the horrors of this war will pale.

The San Francisco conference can present a blue print of the machinery for peace. Only civilization itself can implement it. It is easier to understand things we can see and touch than ideas.

Brooks Harding was born in Nebraska and grew up with the normal nationalism of a boy who had never seen a foreign flag flying anywhere. He served in the last war in the artillery, later became interested in aviation. He had a small aircraft factory, and then a small leather factory in New York state.

He watched the League of Nations rise and fall. He saw the United Nations start. He became convinced that unless there was some outward symbol, some outward appeal which would stir the imagination and the emotions of the people, the second attempt at world harmony would fail as did the first.

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It is sponsored by the United Nations Honor Flag committee supported by such contributions which he could make or which he could solicit in travels about the country.

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Hawaii is currently producing very small amounts of natural rubber. It is the only tree rubber being grown under the American flag except for experimental plantings in Florida.

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That Nagging Backache

May Warn of Disordered Kidney Action

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