

JAPANESE ORGANIZE LUMBER POOL HERE

UNIFORM IMPORT POLICY PLANNED

Formation of a pool of Japanese lumber dealers, to be represented in this country by four Japanese importing firms with offices in Seattle and Vancouver, B. C. as exclusive buying agents was announced today by S. Fukuda, manager of the Seattle offices of Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

Mitsui & Co., Ltd., Mitsubishi Shoji Kaisha, Ltd., Yamachio & Co., Ltd., all with Seattle branches, and Tamura & Co., Ltd., with offices in Vancouver, B. C., were named as buying agents for the pool, which is known as the American Lumber Importing Association.

Agents of Government
The four importing houses in effect will be purchasing agents for the Japanese government, the pool having been organized at the instance of the Japanese government, to regulate the price and quality of imported lumber in Japan.

The association is composed of sixty Japanese dealers, and will deal in saved lumber, piling and logs, exclusive of logs designed for the manufacture of pulp.

Kukuda said the formation of the lumber pool did not presage any material increase in lumber orders from Japan.

GOEBBELS SUMS HISTORIC YEAR

BERLIN, Saturday, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Propaganda Minister Goebbels told the German people tonight that "there can be no doubt that the year 1938 will go down in German history forever."

"During this year," he declared, "the thousand-year-old dream of the German nation was fulfilled. The greater German Reich has become a reality."

Goebbels, recuperating from a week's illness, delivered his year-end message over the radio from his suburban home on Lake Wannsee.

"Other political events of this year," he said, "were the fact of the Greater Reich's emergence, he asserted, and continued:

"The return of more than 10,000,000 Germans into the Reich, however, is indeed an historic event, which stands far above the importance of one year and which will have its effects into the most distant future."

"We live in far too fast times. Hardly is one historical problem solved until another is waiting for us."

That, he said, "inclines us to forget the difficulties," and "we take the successes of the regime almost as a matter of course in the belief that it must be so."

People speak of the successes of Reichsfuehrer Hitler as "luck," Goebbels remarked, and then quoted General Von Moltke as saying that "only the able" have luck. Hitler, he declared, did "not wait on historical wonder," but "reorganized the nation's strength," and put it to use to obtain the triumphs witnessed in 1938.

Press Agnals Scores Ickes
German newspapers lashed at the United States government as Hitler set Nazidom on its "road of destiny" for 1939 with the admonition that the army must be strengthened.

World Jewry is the American farmers' "darling," declared a "general agent," newspapers declared, assailing the "Roosevelt regime."

Hitler reaffirmed continuation of the Rome-Berlin axis and referred to 1938, when Austria and Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland were added to the Reich, as the year of the richest harvest in our history.

"German's course has been destined and fixed," he said of foreign affairs, "... the obligations which arise out of our friendship for Fascist Italy are clear and unbreakable."

Bishop Posts Priests to Court Of Matrimony

The Most Rev. Gerald Shaughnessy, S. M., bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Seattle, yesterday announced appointments of diocesan priests to the matrimonial court and to parishes.

The Rev. William H. O'Neill, of St. James Cathedral parish, was appointed official curia, judge of the matrimonial court. The Rev. James H. Brennan, of St. Edward's Seminary, was named defender in marriage, and also promoter of justice in the court.

The Rev. Michael O'Callaghan, formerly administrator of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Everett, was named pastor of the church. The Rev. A. J. Shaughnessy, assistant pastor at St. Mary's parish, was appointed assistant pastor at St. Theresa's Church here. The Rev. Father Dan, O. S. B., of Tacoma, was appointed pastor of the Visitation Parish there.

MUSIC LOVERS AWAIT GREAT TENOR



Next Friday will be a big day for music-loving members of Seattle's Swedish colony, for that night in the Music Hall Theatre Jussi Boerling, 27-year-old youngest star of the Metropolitan Opera Company, will appear in concert. Looking over the schedule of Swedish Consul Ivar Lundquist today, Miss Mimi Johnson (left) and Miss Viola Berg were pleased to see on the program for the Boerling concert some of the folk songs that delight Swedish people all over the world. Tenor Boerling is the first great Swedish vocalist to appear here in years. The Mount Baker group of the Seattle Symphony Guild is sponsoring the concert, but Boerling will sing a "strictly solo" program, without the orchestra.

AUBURN SLAYING FUGITIVE SEEN

The fugitive Leslie Thomas Wheeler, middle-aged Seattle cook charged with the first-degree murder of Mrs. Daisy Mae Tillotson Moore, was seen in Portland, Ore., yesterday by an acquaintance, the Associated Press reported today.

Police Detective Capt. John J. Keegan of Portland said the acquaintance looked out an apartment window, saw Wheeler and shouted, "Is that you, Shorty?" (Wheeler's nickname). He called for "Shorty" to wait and ran outside, but Wheeler had disappeared.

The acquaintance, knowing Wheeler was sought, notified police, who still were looking for the fugitive today.

Discovery in Mrs. Moore's automobile of a will, scratched several months ago by the slain woman, was disclosed by investigators today.

An official revealed that Mrs. Moore, whose beaten body was found in a crude grave south of Auburn Thursday, had written an unswerving memorandum which said, in effect:

"To whom it may concern: 'If anything should happen to me I want my mother, Mrs. Emmeline Allen, to have my car. I want my son, Chester Dupus, to have \$5. This is written in case of an accident.'"

Letter to Son Sought
Authorities searched the 1937 coupe at Dupus' request several days ago for another message he believed he might have left him, but found none. Dupus thought his mother possibly had a premonition of tragedy and had secreted a note in the "air cleaner on the automobile engine, or under the floorboard. No such note was found, but a note was found folded in an envelope in a purse.

The coupe was searched by State Patrolmen Charles Jackson, first investigator on the case, and George Carraher; Deputy Prosecutor Charles C. Ralls, and Coroner Otto H. Mittelstaedt.

Meanwhile, O. K. Bodie, chief criminal king county deputy sheriff, learned this forenoon from an officer in another Washington county that Wheeler was seen December 19 in a remote town by an acquaintance, to whom he remarked that he had obtained work nearby.

Booth telephoned officers in the region today and they began seeking Wheeler.

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City Utility Income Sets Mark in 1938

Gross incomes of the municipal Water Department and City Light reached record highs in 1938, city officials announced today.

Although all receipts are not collected, Water Department revenues are expected to be about \$2,100,000 or nearly \$500,000 above 1937.

Much of the increase is due to higher water rates which went into effect last fall.

City Light's income for 1938 will be more than \$5,900,000, a gain of more than \$200,000 over 1937.

Only utility not expected to show an increase is the Seattle Municipal Railway. Revenues for 1938 are expected to be about 2½ per cent lower than the 1937 receipts of \$4,468,646.

15,000 Escape Dam as Rockets Give Warning

MANILA, Saturday, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Warned by skyrockets and pistol shots, residents in and near the town of Calinog apparently escaped death when a natural dam burst, hurling the waters of a huge lake upon the community of 15,000.

It was at first feared a heavy loss of life would be recorded after the deluge which swept with terrific force through Calinog, a town surrounded by fourteen native villages on Panay Island, Central Philippines.

Native houses, trees and animals were hurled along by the rushing waters. The dam was formed during a recent typhoon and flood which caused land to slide into the river, creating a lake half way up a mountainside.

Hitler Held Up As Model For German Youth

BERLIN, Saturday, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Germany's youth was told today that "Hitler youth have the duty of emulating the Fuehrer in their personal lives."

Baldur von Schirach, Germany's youth leader, said in his New Year message that this reminder was better than any ban on alcohol or nicotine.

He declared that 1939 would be "a year of duty to health" for the nation's boys and girls.

"To bring joy to our Fuehrer," he said, "we want to devote 1939 to improvement of health of his youth."

Von Schirach declined to issue "a solemn order to refrain from use of alcohol or nicotine," but he reminded Germany's youth that "athletic prowess and use of nicotine are mutually exclusive."

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CINCINNATUS TO BE REORGANIZED

Reorganization of the New Order of Cincinnati and an awakening of its interest in good government was proposed yesterday by Michael M. Wolfstone, national chairman of the order. He will call a meeting of fifty or more charter members of the original organization within two weeks, he said.

Although chapters of the organization are active in San Francisco and other California cities, it has been permitted to die in Seattle, where it was founded. Wolfstone was elected national chairman in 1936 at a meeting held in Portland.

"Cincinnati is needed today more than ever," Wolfstone said. "The police department under Chief W. H. Sears is making little effort to enforce the law, notwithstanding the fact that a charter amendment taking that position out of politics was adopted by the pressure of good citizens, including Cincinnati members."

In his opinion the reorganized Cincinnati should demand the resignation of Chief Sears and Inspector George Constock.

"I believe also that Cincinnati should sponsor a movement to adopt a city-manager plan of government in Seattle."

Furniture Strike Proposal Fails

PORTLAND, Ore., Saturday, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The latest effort of the Doernbecher Furniture Company to start its plant and the new year simultaneously failed last night when union workmen disapproved a plan calling for a 5-cent an hour pay cut.

The rejection of the plan came a few hours after the National Labor Relations Board at Seattle charged the company with refusing to bargain with the union.

Fred Manahs, business agent for the Furniture Makers & Finishers Union local, said the proposal, offered in an effort to end the long deadlock that had kept the big mill and its 1,100 employees idle, was rejected almost unanimously by the workers.

U. S. Firmly Rejects Japan's 'New Order'

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authorities of any other country," the note said.

The American note labeled "highly paradoxical" Japan's admonition that the Chinese "open door" henceforth was to be contingent upon an admission by the United States "of the validity of the conception by Japanese authorities of a new situation" and a "New Order in East Asia." The note added:

"This country's adherence to and its advocacy of the principle of equality of opportunity do not flow solely from a desire to obtain the commercial benefits which naturally result from the carrying out of that principle."

"They flow from a firm conviction that observance of that principle leads to economic and political stability, which are conducive both to the internal well-being of nations and to mutually beneficial and peaceful relationships between and among nations; from a firm conviction that failure to observe that principle breeds international friction and ill-will, with consequences injurious to all countries, including in particular those countries which fail to observe it; and from an equally firm conviction that observance of that principle promotes the opening of trade channels, thereby making available the markets, the raw materials and the manufactured products of the community of nations on a mutually and reciprocally beneficial basis."

Japan's Prior Stand Recalled
"The principle of equality of economic opportunity is, moreover, one to which over a long period and on many occasions the Japanese government has given definite approval. It is one to the observance of which the Japanese government has committed itself in various international agreements and understandings."

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June	1.39	1.33
July	.18	.63
August	.43	.70
September	.48	1.77
October	2.95	2.84
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CUMMINGS OUT OF JUSTICE POST

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Southern District of New York and one each for the following: Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, New Jersey, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Northern District of Georgia, Eastern District of Missouri, Southern District of California, Western District of Oklahoma and Kansas. Cummings said he believed that the new judgeships were "amply justified."

The attorney-general also proposed that:

A permanent administrative officer be appointed by the Supreme Court to supervise the federal docket and perform administrative functions now vested in the Justice Department.

The Supreme Court draft new rules of procedure for criminal cases tried in federal courts.

The federal firearms law be expanded to require registration of pistols and revolvers.

Right to Sue Government
An act be passed permitting the United States to be sued for property or personal damages resulting from government employees' negligence.

Briefly touching on anti-trust matters, Cummings urged appropriation of additional funds for anti-trust enforcement.



HOMER S. CUMMINGS
He retires as attorney-general

Cummings left to Thurman W. Arnold, former Yale professor who replaced Jackson as chief of the administration's trust-busters last March 21, the task of outlining the department's policy toward monopolies.

Conditions which led to nationwide interest in anti-trust problems arose, Arnold said, "out of the recent depression which threw into bold relief our inability to utilize our productive capacity because goods could not be distributed at going price levels. We appeared to be choking ourselves with our own wealth."

Present anti-trust laws do not offer "a complete solution," Arnold said, and the only alternative, if industry fails to solve the problem of efficient use of modern industrial machinery and organization, is centralized control.

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New trustees of the organization are Leo A. Meltzer, Sol Esfeld and Meyer Cohen, and new members of the executive committee are Max Tobias, Philip Tworoger, Solie Ringold, Morris Hanan and Abe Shulman.

Rabbi Samuel Cass of Vancouver, B. C., will speak on "World Jewry Now—What Next?"

Whatcom Airport Grant Is Approved

BELLINGHAM, Saturday, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Presidential approval of a \$550,019 W. P. A. allotment for completion of the Whatcom County airport was announced today in a telegram from Senator Lewis B. Swellensbach. Resumption of work now awaits only the approval of Don G. Abel, state W. P. A. administrator.

Walter M. Elkins, zone engineer, said about a year and a half will be required to complete the project, on which \$200,000 already has been spent.

Bus-Stop Zone Seen As Nuisance to Home

Mrs. Olivia McGrew, 1510 N. 35th St., complained to the City Council today that establishment of a bus-stop zone in front of her home has resulted in considerable inconvenience.

Mrs. McGrew said in a letter to the Council that passengers waiting for buses stand in the automobile driveway at her home and often refuse to step aside so an automobile can be backed out. She added the city has placed a "no parking" sign in front of her home so automobiles cannot be parked there.

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