

Hong Kong Hero Took Risk Of Torture (This is the third of a series on Chester Bennett, American hero of Hong Kong, by HAL BOYLE)

HONG KONG—(AP)—Chester Bennett, American hero of Hong Kong, knew his chances of escaping Japan were almost hopeless.

MR. BOYLE went and his confederate, Marcus Da Silva, Portuguese, helped him spy on Japanese shipping and smuggle funds into Stanley Bay internees.

STAKES WORTH GAMBLE But they decided the stakes were worth the gamble. Every ship they saw was a Japanese.

"Chester was very cool," said Da Silva, "I never saw him the least bit frightened."

Da Silva agreed to take over the main burden of Hyde's espionage work. Hyde concentrated on smuggling funds to internees.

"I believe now that it is impossible for Europeans to compete with the Japanese."

Together they designed a three-part espionage program.

That was in April, 1942. They collected some important shipping data and sent them to the British.

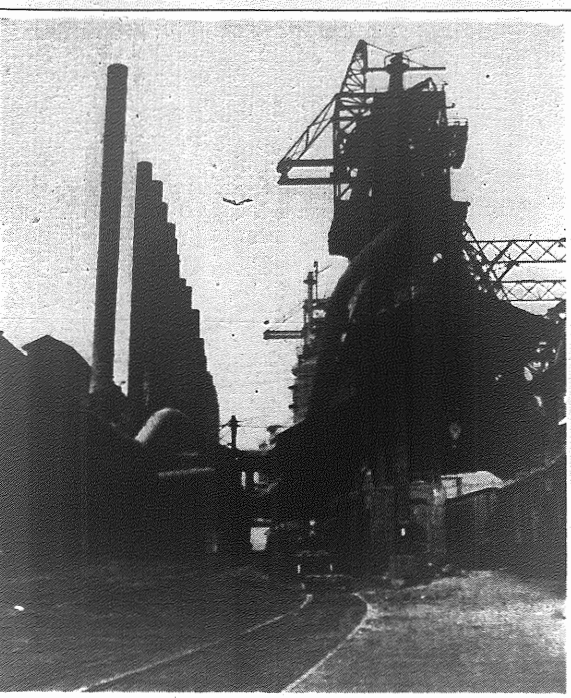
It was the last report they were to make. They were to be tortured.

Nuernberg Trial Norwegian Attorney Describes Ride Of Death Across Germany

MUERNBERG, Germany—(AP)—A Norwegian survivor told the international military tribunal today about a ride of death across Germany in which bodies of 1,447 concentration camp captives were kicked off open railway cars at the last station.

Hans Cappelen, witness against 22 accused Nazis on trial for war crimes, testified: "The SS guards acted like drunks as they hurried us from the Gross Rosen camp in Silesia to a train to Dachau."

ROCKET ENGINE COULD BE USED FOR ATOMIC MISSILES



PLANT WHERE STEEL IS NOT MADE - Blast furnaces at Republic Steel Corporation's No. 2 plant at Youngstown are cold and smokeless as the steel workers' strike continues. (Acme Photo.)

Lie Named To UNO Post

LONDON—(P)—Trevor Lie, a carpenter's son who became Norway's Foreign Minister, was nominated by the eleven-member World Security Council tonight for the internationally important post of secretary-general of the United Nations Organization.

Chicago Slaying Case Youths Quizzed In Kidnap-Case

CHICAGO—(AP)—Chief of Detectives Walter Storms said today that two young men were held without charge for questioning about telephone calls made to the home of Suzanne Degnan after the six-year old girl was kidnaped, killed and dismembered on Jan. 7.

Marriage And Divorce Drama In Three Acts

CAMDEN, N. J.—(P)—Admiral Master William R. J. Burton recommended a divorce for Mrs. Ann K. Lavery today after she gave his description of three lunatics of her soldier husband.

Truman To Make Talk At Winter Park On Feb. 11

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The White House said today that President Truman will make an address Feb. 11 at Winter Park, Fla. in acceptance of an honorary degree of Doctor of Humanties from Rollins College.

Atom Commission May See Tests

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Hopes High On Steel

WASHINGTON—(AP)—An expectancy that the strike of 750,000 steel workers may be ended soon prevailed today among Government officials.

Sugar Crisis Blame Placed

WASHINGTON—(P)—Rep. Jonkman, Republican, Michigan, today blamed "gross negligence and mismanagement" of Agriculture Department officials for what he said was an impending "severe sugar shortage."

India Government Rapped For Joining Fund

NEW DELHI—(P)—The Central Legislative Assembly by a 54-53 vote today rapped the Indian Government for joining the Bretton Woods Monetary Fund and the International Monetary Fund without consultation with the assembly, as promised.

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Harry Hopkins Dies

Roosevelt Confidant Succumbs

Entered Hospital Last November NEW YORK—(AP)—Harry L. Hopkins, 55, former special assistant to the late President Roosevelt, died at 11:35 A. M. (EST) today at Memorial Hospital.

Hopkins entered the hospital last November. He had been in ill health for several years and resigned his White House post last July 3, saying "I must take a rest."

A hospital attaché said the nature of Hopkins' illness had not been determined. He had been reported in serious but not critical condition early today.

CLOAK AND SUIT LEADER Since leaving Washington, Hopkins had been impartial chairman of New York City's cloak and suit industry. He succeeded Former Mayor Walter E. Washington in 1937. His salary was reported to be about \$25,000 yearly.

Born in Sioux City, Iowa, he was Federal Relief Administrator during the depression years of the 1930s and later became President Roosevelt's closest confidant.

As special assistant to the President, he attended several military war conferences with Allied leaders and helped to shape policies of war and peace.

During the war he also was chairman of the United States War Relocation Authority and member of the War Mobilization Committee. He lived at White House for three and a half years.

Long a social worker in New York City, Hopkins was appointed to his public office in 1931 by Mayor Roosevelt who then was New York State Governor. He was named director of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration.

After serving as Federal Relief Administrator, he was director of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration from 1935 to 1938, and served as Secretary of Commerce from 1938 to 1940.

U. S. Weapon Rocket Gets Altitude Of 50 Miles WASHINGTON—(P)—The Army has developed a radio-controlled rocket which has streaked vertically into the sky.

The retiring ordnance chief told reporters he understood that the German weapons had reached an altitude of 30 miles, but others have credited them with a maximum of 60 miles.

German scientists who helped develop the V-weapons, have been assisting the Army in rocket research, but did not say whether they had worked on the 50-mile guided missile.

Campbell said he believed that the time was coming when the gun as we know it will be no longer.

Shipping Magnate Dies MOBILE, Ala.—(P)—Thomas McCarty, shipping magnate and general counsel of Waterman Steamship Corp. and former Alabama State Senator, died at his home here today following a heart attack.

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Expediter For Ceilings For Old And New Housing

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Legislation to put price ceilings on all houses, old as well as new, was supported before the House Banking Committee today by Wilbert W. Warr, National Housing Expediter.

He also suggested that price controls be extended to building lots in cities, in a national program to bring the cost of housing down into line with veterans' pocketbooks.

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Byrnes emphasized that even with the President's approval, however, his proposal should not yet be construed as the final Government policy on the subject.

He explained that it was his understanding that War Secretary G. B. H. Patterson and Navy Secretary Forrestal are members of the question of witnesses with General Dwight D. Eisenhower, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz and their staffs.

If the Byrnes recommendation is finally adopted, it would mean that the U. S. would be invited to witness the tests of the atom bomb against naval ships.

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WEATHER

Increasing cloudiness, followed by a rain or snow shower, with much moisture change this afternoon, becoming warmer tonight and cooler tomorrow.

Temperature at 7:30 today—49 High and low last 24 hours 49-31 Sunest today—5:49 Sunrise tomorrow—7:23

Midwest Truck Strike Settled

FORT DODGE, Ia.—(P)—John J. Brady, Iowa director of the Midwest Operators Association, said today the ten-week strike of truck drivers has been settled.

The strike, which started Nov. 15, has involved 100 members of the Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers Union (AFL) in seven Midwest States and has snarled long-distance hauling. The disagreement was over a wage issue. It was indicated that trucking service would be resumed today.

British Plan Atlantic Flights LONDON—(P)—The British Overseas Airways Corporation announced plans today to begin a double North Atlantic service to the United States and Canada, providing daily flights from London to New York and from London to Montreal in the immediate future.