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Can President Roosevelt force reopening of the struck coal mines against the order of John L. Lewis? The showdown is at hand. Watch NEWS-REVIEW news for the result of the current major industrial struggle.

SHOWDOWN IN COAL STRIKE IMPENDING

STORM-HARRIED NAZIS HURLED BACK ON MOSCOW FRONT

Troops From Siberia Enter Bloody Fight

British Army Aid to Reds Foreseen as Nazis Peril Caucasus Oil Gateway

LONDON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—The Russian armies defending Moscow have been strengthened by fresh reserves from Siberia and in a series of fierce counterattacks have thrown back the Germans as much as ten miles on some sectors, informed sources here said tonight.

Late dispatches said that bad weather was slowing the Germans, with rain and light falls of snow turning the ground of some regions into quagmires.

The German drive on Rostov was reported slackened by stubborn soviet resistance and lengthening communications.

The red army launched counterattacks on all sectors of the Moscow front today, according to a correspondent of Red Star quoted in a Moscow dispatch to Reuters.

The Germans, however, were said to be throwing fresh reserves continually into the battle, and concentrating their main forces on the right and left wings.

Oil Field Threat Expected To Launch British Attack

(By The Associated Press) German troops were reported fighting today within 10 to 15 miles of Rostov, gateway to the Caucasus oil fields, the great

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
TWO straws drift by in today's (Saturday) winds:

1. Mussolini shakes up his fascist organization severely.
2. Hitler postpones shooting of additional French hostages. Both are significant.

FOR weeks, as another hungry winter approaches, there have been rumors of rising discontent in Italy.

There are persistent stories that the Italians are fortifying the Brenner Pass. The Brenner Pass lies between Italy and Germany.

ITALY was delivered into German hands by Mussolini and his fascist crew. Today Mussolini transfers or replaces 60 of his fascist guild officers. Nineteen of the 22 fascist guilds, around which Mussolini's system is built are said to be affected.

The conclusion one draws is that Hitler is getting afraid of even his own outfit.

NOTE that for days the British have been bombing key Italian cities. They have been listening to these stories and are doing their bit to add to the discontent.

SO far, in reprisal for the killing of two German officers in occupied France, Hitler has shot 100 innocent Frenchmen. One hundred more were to have been shot by this time.

For this second hundred a REPRIEVE has been ordered.

Why? The conclusion is inevitable that Hitler saw he was enraging the French to the point of utter desperation instead of terrifying them into meek submission.

He must have seen also that he was horrifying the whole world.

DO no wishful thinking about these developments. They do not mean that the end of Hitler is near.

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"Shooting Has Started, U. S. Attacked," Roosevelt Says In Broadcast Volley at Axis

Full Speed Urged to Wipe Out Hitlerism

Goods Promised Foes of Axis Will Be Delivered; Farragut's Order Echoed

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—President Roosevelt damned the torpedoes and called for full speed ahead today in the nation's efforts to hasten "the destruction of Hitlerism."

In a navy day address that went to the four corners of the earth by radio, the chief executive declared last night that "the shooting has started" . . . America has been attacked."

Then he used for his keynote the fighting words which Admiral Farragut gave to history in the battle of Mobile Bay.

He pledged that military supplies of all kinds would reach Hitler's foes, despite all Nazi seaward threats, and he added with firm assurance:

"In the light of a good many years of personal experience, I say that it can never be doubted that the goods will be delivered by this nation, whose navy believes in the tradition of 'damning the torpedoes; full speed ahead!'"

He told the world that "the forward march of Hitlerism can be stopped—and it will be stopped." "Very simply and very bluntly," he said, "we are pledged to pull our own oar in the destruction of Hitlerism."

He called attention to his order commanding the navy to "shoot on sight," whenever axis raiders are encountered.

"Those orders stand," he said sternly.

Nazi Designs Exposed.

He charged that the Hitler regime had already mapped and planned the future partitioning of

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Property Given Linfield College at Issue in Suit

SPOKANE, Oct. 28.—(AP)—A 25-year-old transfer of property to Linfield college at McMinnville, Ore., was being fought in federal court here today by administrators of the estate of the late Edward S. and Mary C. Ross of Spokane.

The administrators contend the property in Spokane, deeded to the college by Mrs. Frances R. Linfield, sister of Edward Ross, was part of a holding company and that Mrs. Linfield, as a trustee, transferred it without the approval of the rightful heirs.

The state of Washington is named as co-defendant with the college. Value of the property is set at \$100,000.

Evictions Increase in Defense Housing Lack

SEATTLE, Oct. 28.—(AP)—In a sad commentary on the backwash to boom times, Sheriff William B. Severens disclosed today that his office now is called upon to make more evictions from homes than in the depression years.

The housing shortage during the city's defense industry boom is to blame for the economic paradox, he explained. Most of the tenants are evicted because of inability to pay increased rent, or because homes can be rented for more than the welfare department will pay for the indigent occupants.

Roosevelt's Address Evokes Bitter Nazi Denunciation; British Press Elated, Japanese Defer Comment

By the Associated Press

Bitter denunciations and denials in the axis capitals, satisfaction in Britain and cautious official silence in Tokyo were the major responses today to President Roosevelt's "shooting has started" speech last night.

Informed Germans said the speech would have been funny "except for the fact that the president's policies could have the direct consequences."

There was no immediate reaction from Latin America, to whose defense against what he said were Nazi plans for conquest and reorganization Roosevelt devoted a section of his talk.

This part of the speech was described by Berlin sources as "the climax of Roosevelt fantasy and the emanation of hallucinations which are as bad as they are absurd."

The "secret map" which Roosevelt said had come into his possession showing Germany's plans with regard to South America they called "a complete swindle and forgery," and challenged him to say "where he got it and why he kept it so long."

"If Roosevelt's henchmen manufactured one it's a clear forgery intended to outdo all previous forgeries," they added.

The whole speech, Germans said, was "a conglomeration of

suspicious, insults, slanders, falsifications and suppositions which could not by any stretch of the imagination be worse."

They asked how a statesman "who deems himself responsible for the fate of the whole hemisphere" could resort to "such monstrous assertions" unless he wanted war "at any cost."

As Viewed Elsewhere

Italian fascists interpreted the speech to mean convoys and another step toward United States belligerence.

A Japanese spokesman said the speech would be "studied with interest" by the Japanese government. Neither he nor the Japanese press hazarded an immediate guess as to how the new cabinet or General Tojo would take the assault on Hitler, Japan's treaty-bound ally in the west.

The first British newspapers appearing after the speech greeted it with enthusiastic headlines, but authoritative circles, while smiling with satisfaction, left official British reactions to Prime Minister Churchill.

"Still slowly perhaps, but inexorably, the United States moves toward war," the Evening Star commented, declaring the speech amounted to "a tremendous offensive against Hitler."

Annual Opening Of Roseburg Yule Season Launched

Committee Named to Direct Program; Uniform Hours for Stores Favored in Poll

Plans for the annual Christmas opening were tentatively organized, a uniform closing hour for retail stores was announced and a Navy day program was enjoyed at the chamber of commerce forum luncheon held Monday noon at the Umpqua hotel.

Glenn Owen, chairman of the retail trades division, who conducted the program, reported that a majority of the city's retailers in a recent poll had voted in favor of hours from 8 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. for business on week days and from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. on Saturdays.

D. E. Carr, chairman of the committee on annual events, reported that he had named a committee composed of Mabel Lewis, Bill Machen, Walter Fisher, Fred Chapman, B. J. Gilbert, George Wharton, H. T. Carstens, E. S. McClain and Tom Parkinson to direct the Christmas opening. The committee personnel is subject to change and additions, he stated.

An interesting talk on the U. S. navy was made by Benny Hall, local recruiting officer. He told of the need of the navy for additional recruits, pointing out that vessels are being built faster than men are enlisted to make up their crews. He urged public cooperation in naval recruiting and told of plans made by the navy for interesting young men in that department.

Next week's forum luncheon, to be held at noon Monday, Nov. 3, will be in charge of the industries division and will feature a talk by H. J. Cox, secretary-manager of the Willamette Valley Lumbermen's association.

Tobacco Tycoons Convicted Under Anti-Trust Law

4 Firms, 13 Executives Found Guilty of Price Fixing, Plot To Maintain Monopoly

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 28.—(AP)—The tobacco anti-trust trial that cost approximately \$1,000,000 and lasted 20 weeks has ended in conviction of three of the nation's major leaf companies, one subsidiary and 13 executives.

A federal court jury yesterday convicted R. J. Reynolds, Liggett and Myers, and the American Tobacco companies, the latter's subsidiary, American Suppliers, Inc., of Louisville, and the 13 officials on four counts of criminally violating the Sherman anti-trust act. The charges were:

Fixing prices and suppressing competition, conspiring and combining to monopolize the billion dollar tobacco industry, attempting to achieve a monopoly, and achieving it.

Six executives and one subsidiary were acquitted. Left temporarily unanswered was the fate of five other tobacco firms, 21 subsidiaries and 12 executives, all co-defendants, who remained out of the trial under an agreement to accept penalties if convictions resulted.

Maximum sentences that could be imposed were fines totaling \$20,000 each for each of the four convicted companies and the 13 executives. Each of the latter, in addition, faced possible maximum prison terms of four years.

Defense counsel informed the court today they would file by tomorrow motions asking a new trial, arrest of judgment, or both.

The judge said he would hear arguments on the motions November 17, and would impose sentences at that time if the motions were overruled.

Defense counsel indicated they would carry their fight to the supreme court, if necessary.

Repeal Foes See Peril Of War Plunge

Senator Taft Demands Neutrality's Retention; Close Vote Indicated

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) replied to President Roosevelt's condemnation of "hamstringing provisions" in the neutrality act today with a declaration that repeal legislation, if passed, would give the president authority to "carry on an undeclared war."

"The passage of the resolution before the senate is direct authority from the congress to the president to carry on an undeclared war against Germany, Italy and Japan, on all the oceans of the world, and in all the ports into which sea-going ships may sail," the Ohioan said in the senate.

"If the members of the senate intend to keep their pledges to the people of the United States, pledges made by themselves, by their leaders and by their party, they can only vote 'no' on the present resolution," he declared.

Alluding to Mr. Roosevelt's reaffirmation of "shoot on sight" orders to the navy, Taft said that

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City Defense Test Program Given Public

All-Out Cooperation of Civilians in Carrying Out Details Requested

Instructions for civilians, together with a plea for wholehearted cooperation, were issued today by E. R. "Zeke" Walton, executive officer of the Douglas county defense council, who is directing local measures in connection with tests of the civilian defense program this week.

Cooperation of every Roseburg resident is urged by Lieutenant Walton in connection with the blackout Friday night, when it is hoped to foil an "enemy" air raid on the city.

Mr. Walton announced today that the defense council has arranged for installation of the Southern Pacific steam whistle and siren formerly used for many years as a fire alarm. Following the purchase by the city of the present automatic electric siren, now in use at the city hall, the steam whistle, on which the siren is operated by hand, was dismantled. It is being replaced at the roundhouse this week, however, and through arrangements

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Fights Draft So He Can Continue For "Pro" Career



Peter Connors, above, football player at Gonzaga university, Spokane, Wash., has reached the U. S. circuit court of appeals in his fight for draft deferment until he's through with football. Connors, who wants to continue with football so that he can play professionally after graduation, won an injunction against his draft board in the U. S. district court of Montana. The board appealed the case and it's now appearing before the court of appeals in San Francisco.

Execution of Hostages Suspended by Hitler

PARIS, Oct. 28.—(AP)—General von Stuepnagel, commander of German forces in France, announced today that the execution of the 100 hostages still held at Nantes and Bordeaux had been suspended by the personal order of Adolf Hitler.

Von Stuepnagel told Frenchmen that he was giving them their last chance to help track down anti-Nazi terrorists and so "prevent your fellow countrymen from being shot as hostages."

He also held out the tempting offer of releasing war prisoners if their families come across with information concerning terrorists.

Roosevelt Proclaims Armistice Day Nov. 11

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today proclaimed November 11 as Armistice Day and called upon the American people to pause on that date "to show gratitude for the past to rededicate the nation to the fundamentals of human liberty, and to defend our future."

The president himself will speak at ceremonies in Arlington National cemetery.

In his proclamation he noted that the armistice of November 11, 1918, marked "the successful end of a war which undeniably saved democracies from imperialistic conquest," but that "forces of lawlessness and inhumanity have again been unleashed against us."

Three Roseburg Soldiers Receive Promotions

Three members of Company D, 162nd infantry, Roseburg's national guard unit, now in federal service at Camp Murray, Wash., have been given recent promotions, according to announcement by General George A. White, commanding officer of the 41st division. Corporal James A. Todd has been advanced to sergeant, and privates first class, Harold V. Gibson and Sandy D. McDonald have been raised to corporals.

Lend-Lease Measure Sent to White House

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—The senate approved finally and sent to the white house yesterday a \$6,161,467,229 special appropriation measure which carried \$5,985,000,000 for additional lend-lease expenditures.

A prohibition against use of the funds for the purchase of agricultural products grown outside the United States was stricken out earlier by a conference committee.

Ultimatum Given Lewis By Roosevelt

Senator Bailey Proposes Outlawry of Strikes as "Rider" to Ship Bill

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Senator Bailey (D-N. C.) proposed in the senate today an amendment to the pending armed ship bill which would bring labor strikes within the category of sabotage when their intent was to retard defense production. Bailey's action came as President Roosevelt confronted John L. Lewis with a virtual ultimatum for a speedy end to the captive coal mine strike.

Heavy fines and imprisonment would be imposed on leaders and participants in strikes, under Bailey's proposal.

At the same time, Senator Byrd (D-Va.) told the senate that the president could end strikes in defense industries by taking "firm measures." Moreover, Byrd said, it ought to be obvious to anyone that congress could do nothing about the work stoppages until the administration put its weight behind corrective measures.

Byrd said the president had written "three humble and pleading letters" to Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers, asking an end to the strike in captive mines.

Bailey's proposal, offered as a "rider" to the pending neutrality repeal legislation, would impose stiff penalties on persons responsible for stopping work in defense industries.

Showdown Impending

Underlining this third appeal to the CIO mine chief to call off the strike, Mr. Roosevelt declared in his Navy day speech last night that "our nation will and must speak from every assembly line—yes, from every coal mine—in our vast industrial machine."

A few hours earlier, the president had told Lewis: "There is every reason for the continuance of negotiations."

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Grand Jury Will Meet November 3

The Douglas county grand jury today was summoned to meet Monday, November 3, to prepare for the regular November term of circuit court. The court term will open November 10, but the circuit court jury will not report until Wednesday, due to the celebration of Armistice day, November 11.

The grand jury is expected to have a comparatively light session, as few cases have been held over for investigation. Members are Hugh Ritchie, foreman; Frances Gorettsen, Jean Nichols, Fred Schwartz, John T. Telford, Mary S. Roberts and H. P. Rice.

The court will hear several postponed naturalization applications on Monday, November 10. Five cases were postponed from the annual naturalization hearing in May because the applicants had not completed preparation or because witnesses were not available.

It is anticipated that there will be only a few cases ready for jury trial at the November term.

Signal Whistle to Be Given Tests

The air raid signal—a steam siren installed at the S. P. roundhouse—will be given tests Wednesday, it was announced today. The whistle has been in storage for several years, since its use as a fire alarm was discontinued, and after installation will need tests to determine its operating conditions. Notice of the tests is given, the defense council states, in order that the blasts of the signal Wednesday may not cause alarm or be confused with the city's electric fire alarm siren.