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Air Transport

INSPIRED by the enormously
effective part which the air-
plane has played in this war, we
are getting a bit over-enthusiastic
about post-war possibilities.

Already, in a casual way, we
are talking about a time not far
distant when family planes will
be as common as family dinners
are today.

We take for granted the pro-
phesies that after the war huge
aircraft will largely supplant
trains on land and ships at sea in
the business of transporting both
passengers and freight.

Though probably we don't really
argue that far, we envision
hazily the day, soon after we
have pounded the axis out of ex-
istence, when we shall fly to the
unmourned funerals of the auto-
mobile and the railroad and the
steamship.

Such a dream could come true,
of course. In speed, in carrying
capacity, in ease of control and
in fundamental safety, the air-
plane has made unbelievable
 strides.

Without doubt, after this war
airline's passenger, express and
freight businesses will be multi-
plied many fold.

We shall have thousands of
huge planes, built as bombers and
transporters and war freighters,
plus the capacity to turn out more
thousands every year.

The railroads and steamship
lines will face intense competi-
tion. Efficient plants, which have
been making fighters and trans-
porters, undoubtedly do their best
to sell us family planes in place of
automobiles.

But that is only one side of
the picture. The men who design
and manufacture planes tell us,
truly, such developments are me-
chanically feasible. The men who
will have to find the income to
pay the expenses want to know
about some other phases.

Huge bombers are built to give
super speed, to fly at extreme alti-
tudes, regardless of the cost of
construction or operation. Govern-
ments at war can't worry unduly
about economy. But experts say
these big planes will need a
whale of a lot of revamping be-
fore anybody can use them to
haul payloads in a self-supporting
business venture. Moreover, there
is a question how much freight
and how many passengers are in
sufficient hurry to pay the pre-
miums to finance air transport.

As for family planes, did you
ever stop to think how much
more extensive terminal facili-
ties, involving how much greater
tax cost, are required for a plane
than for an automobile? Do you
know how your community could
finance such costly improve-
ments, at the same time main-
taining streets and highways—
for of course, the plane owner
must have a car to travel from
home to airport.

None of these problems is in-
soluble. Some aren't even rela-
tively difficult. The point is that
such problems, and dozens more,
exist and at best will require time
for their solution.

Don't let the railroads, steam-
ship lines and automobile manu-
facturers too short right away.
Let's keep our shirts on.

Editorials on News

(Continued from page 1.)

clearly that the Japs MEANT
BUSINESS. The fact that it in-
cluded troop transports indicates
that they were out, if possible, to
SEIZE AND HOLD.

They hoped to take Midway,
land troops and retain possession.

WHAT else they hoped to do
can only be guessed, but the

normal procedure of a bold com-
mander who takes his first objec-
tive without TOO serious losses is
to go on and take OTHER objec-
tives—especially if he has large
forces at his disposal.

The Jap fleet was large, and
there has been ample proof in the
past six months that Japanese
commanders can be bold.

There is no telling what might
have happened if the Midway
battle had resulted in a Japanese
victory.

WHAT WAS THE OVER-ALL Jap purpose?

This writer doesn't know. It is
probable that no one outside the
Jap high command knows.

So let's do a little tail guessing.
There have been hints that a
considerable part of the U. S. Pa-
cific fleet has been transferred
to the Atlantic and elsewhere—
guarding convoys, etc. The Japs
have boasted repeatedly that they
have naval command in the Pa-
cific.

They may have decided to
FIND OUT.

This process of finding out is
known as testing the enemy's
strength. Midway may have been
planned as the first test.

If the test had proved us to be
WEAK, the Japs would probably
have swept on—how far the
sweep extended depending on the
resistance we were able to put
up.

If we had been weak enough,
the sweep might have extended
clear to our shores.

(KEEP clearly in mind that
this is pure guesswork, and
has no standing on the basis of
fact. Still, it MIGHT have been
the purpose. Such things have
happened.)

WELL, they found out some- thing.

What they found out is substan-
tial confirmation of what they
learned in the Coral Sea—that
the United States has an AIR
FORCE whose striking power is
something to be feared.

Admiral Nimitz reports today:
"American losses (in the Mid-
way battle) were confined to
planes and aviation personnel,
and fully PREPARED, who
CARRIED THE BURN'T of the
attack."

In other words:
The Pacific fleet can be divid-
ed, but by means of effective and
growing air power the Japs can
STILL BE HANDLED.

That, if true, is immensely im-
portant.

DON'T jump to the unjustified
conclusion that the Japs are
licked. They aren't. But they've
had another hard jolt. And once
again American initiative, effec-
tiveness and stamina have been
proved.

A LONDON commentator says
the British now have AR-
MORED SUPERIORITY in the
Libyan battle. They seem to
have had air superiority from the
beginning.

Watch for proof of this claim.
If forthcoming, it will spell Rom-
mel's doom.

THE Russian front is quiet as
this is written. It is only the
calm before another storm. Plenty
of fighting is due in Russia.
It may start again at any mo-
ment.

It is likely to be the bloodiest
the world has ever seen.

Australia Offers Bridges Full Rights as Citizen

SYDNEY, Australia, June 9.—
(AP) Harry Bridges, United
States west coast labor leader re-
cently ordered deported as a com-
munist, was assured full citizen-
ship rights in Australia in a re-
cent cable, acting Attorney Gen-
eral Beasley announced today.

Bridges replied that the long
shorthern would redouble their
efforts to expedite war supplies
to Australia, recognizing that
"the main fight still is against
Hitler and Japan." Beasley said.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 9.—
(AP) Confirmation to June 22 in
Harry Bridges' habeas corpus
proceedings was ordered yester-
day by Federal Judge Welsh.

Labor Leader Bridges, who is
fighting an order of deportation
by Attorney General Francis
Biddle, is in Washington for CIO
conferences, with court permis-
sion, on \$3,000 bail.

Attorneys for the government
and for Bridges both sought the
continuance.

Permit to Drop Rail
Link in Oregon Asked

WASHINGTON, June 9.—(AP)—
The Oregon-Washington Rail-
road and Navigation company
asked the interstate commerce
commission today for authority to
abandon 69 miles of track be-
tween Shaniko and Biggs, Ore.
The Union Pacific railroad pro-
poses to abandon operations over
the tracks.

OUT OUR WAY



Sea Fights Prove U. S. Superiority Over Japanese

(By Clark Lee)

PEARL HARBOR, June 9.—
(AP)—The smashing defeat im-
posed on Japan's navy by Ameri-
can air and sea power in the
battle of Midway has undoubtedly
brought greatly nearer the day
when allied nations will be able to
launch an all-out offensive
against Japan.

The American triumph means
that a corner has been turned in
the second phase of the Pacific
war, much sooner than many ex-
pected.

This second phase began in the
Philippines has ended the first
stage—war on land.

The task of the United States
then became twofold: first, to
strengthen quickly what areas re-
mained in control of the United
Nations from Australia, through
Hawaii, to Alaska; second, to
cut down Japan's sea power to
safeguard those areas from at-
tack and at the same time pre-
pare for the eventual offensive.

An effective though not deci-
sive start toward this second ob-
jective was made in the battle of
the Coral Sea. Now the battle
of Midway has seriously crippled
the Japanese fleet and especially
the fleet air arm.

Aircraft played a principal part
in both the Coral Sea and Mid-
way operations, and a majority of
the damage to enemy vessels was
inflicted by dive bombers and tor-
pedo planes, supported by land-
based aircraft of all types.

U. S. Fighters Superior
Both battles proved the Japan-
ese have no monopoly on tenacity
and ferocity of attacks. The Mid-
way fight was not a hit-run en-
gagement, but one in which the
Americans sought and achieved
decisive results by pressing home
their attacks despite opposition,
disregarding and driving in for
death blows.

Midway again showed beyond
doubt that the American naval
airforce is better trained, better
equipped, more skillful and more
daring than the Japanese fleet air
arm—and the Japanese naval air-
force is greatly superior to that
of the Japanese army.

Our naval planes were strongly
supported by army as well as ma-
rine corps aircraft.

Midway also re-emphasized
the dominant importance of air-
craft in the Pacific war. All of
Japan's early victories were won
mainly through air supremacy
and her only severe defeats—Ma-
cassar strait, Coral Sea and Mid-
way—were inflicted principally by
aircraft.

Another lesson of Midway is
that when the United States
starts moving overseas to attack
Japan, her forces will have to be in
position to fight for and establish
air control. The destruction of
Japanese aircraft carriers is a
long step in this direction and also
opens the way for further de-
vastating attacks against the en-
emy's thousands-of-miles-long sup-
ply lines.

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By J. R. WILLIAMS

Truck-Train Collision In Klamath Kills Driver

KLAMATH FALLS, June 9.—
(AP)—A truck-train collision
killed Andrew Hemrich, 48, truck
driver, at Wocus, north of here,
yesterday. John Bruce, riding in
the truck, was unhurt.

12:45—State News, Hansen Mo-
tor Co.
12:50—News-Review of the Air.
1:00—N. Y. Racing Program.
1:15—Bill's Wax Shop.
1:30—Mutual Goes Calling.
2:00—Songs by Lowry Kohler.
2:15—Man With a Band.
2:30—The Grabbag.
2:45—The Bookworm.
3:00—The Dream House of Mel-
ody, Copco.

3:30—News, Douglas National
Bank.
3:45—Johnny Richards' Orch.
4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
4:15—Johnson Family.
4:30—Colonial Network Orch.
5:00—The Sanctuary Lamp with
Father Coughlin.
5:15—Fights Against Inflation.
5:30—Capt. Midnight, Overture.
5:45—Jack Armstrong, Wheaties.

6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:30—Treasury Star Parade.
6:45—Interlude.
6:50—State and Local News.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—John B. Hughes, Anacim.
7:15—Moylan Sisters, Swans-
down.

7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Bulldog Drummond.
8:30—Tune Up, America.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Bob Crosby's Orch.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
9:45—Hank Keene in Town, Vel-
vet Tobacco Co.

10:00—News Bulletins.
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DAILY DEVOTIONS DR. CHAS. A. EDWARDS

One of the most important
words Jesus ever used was the
word "tarry." On it hinged the
future of Christianity. Had
that word and all it stood for,
been left out, then the future
of Christianity would have
been different. The difference
would have been this: Chris-
tianity would have been a set
of doctrines and beliefs handed
on as information, more or less
convincing. It would have been
from mind to mind. But not
mediated through experience,
it would have been information
and not transformation. But
the word "tarry" made the dif-
ference. Jesus had lived,
taught, died, and risen again.
Everything was there for the
redemption of the world, ex-
cept one thing—those through
whom it could be mediated.
Without that tarrying the mes-
sage would lack a suitable me-
dium. So the whole process
would be blocked. Paul could
say: "I do not frustrate the
grace of God if they had not
tarried. But they did tarry, and
they shook the world. In that
tarrying they received power
from on high and were trans-
formed from timid believers to
irresistible apostles of a
mighty passion. Without the
Holy Spirit Christianity is a
counsel of perfection, a striv-
ing without resources after im-
possible ideals. To "tarry"
means to be the empowered in-
strument of the redemptive
purpose of God. (E. Stanley
Jones.) Amen.

thousands in home guards (and
the guerrillas on the northwest
cost) that providing these units
with weapons is a problem. The
volunteers in counties along the
Pacific in Oregon and Washing-
ton, numbering several thousand
men, are mostly deer hunters who
own their own rifles.

Guard Unit Adds New Men, Changes Drill Date

Company A, 17th battalion,
Oregon state guard, met at the
Roseburg armory last night for
the first drill period. The local
company enlisted several new re-
cruits. Arrangements were made
to change the weekly drill night
from Monday, as originally vot-
ed, to Friday night, due to the
fact that several members can-
not attend on Monday because
of their employment.

A school for non-commissioned
officers will be held Friday night
of this week, it was reported by
Captain S. C. Dunn, and the next
regular drill period for the com-
pany membership will be held
June 19.

Abilities men desiring to en-
list in the company prior to the
next drill, are requested to con-
tact Captain Dunn, First Ser-
geant Dick Baker or Company
Clerk Alfred Zenor.

Australian Hospitality Pleases Local Soldier

Arland Bender of Roseburg,
now in the U. S. army, is delig-
ent with Australia, according to
letters received by his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bender, and
his grandmother, Mrs. L. F. Ross,
all of Roseburg. Bender report-
ed in his letter that he and all
of the members of the company
with which he is serving are in
good health and that they are
"fit as a fiddle and ready for any-
thing." He said that he is great-
ly enjoying the contact with the
Australian people, who have
been most hospitable.

Coffee, Cocoa, Tea to Be Rationed, Prediction

WASHINGTON, June 9.—(AP)—
Consumer rationing of coffee,
tea and cocoa is "quite likely,"
Joseph L. Weiner, deputy director
of the civilian supply division of
the war production board, report-
ed.

Weiner said he could foresee no
improvement in the shipping situ-
ation which would alleviate the
coffee, tea and cocoa shortages.

"Rationing is being practiced
now in one form," he told a press
conference. "You can't always
buy all the coffee you want at the
grocery store."

Portland Slayer Held For Grand Jury

PORTLAND, June 9.—(AP)—
Charged with first-degree mur-
der, Joseph C. Cochran, 57, wait-
ed preliminary hearing in mun-
icipal court yesterday and was
held for the grand jury.

He is accused of fatally slash-
ing Mrs. Marie Grosz, operator
of a convalescent home, last
week.

Russian Language to Be Taught at O. S. C.

PORTLAND, June 9.—(AP)—
A Russian language course at
Oregon State college, the first in
any Oregon school of higher ed-
ucation, was approved by the
curricula committee of the state
board of higher education yes-
terday.

Canning Sugar Seekers Urged To Be In No Hurry

Applications on Hand Swamp
Clerical Force, Rationing
Head Hartfiel Announces

"Unless your need for sugar for
canning purposes is urgent and
immediate, please withhold your
application until the rationing
board is able to get needed addi-
tional space and clerical help to
keep pace with the demands
made upon it." This was the ap-
peal made today by Thomas Hart-
fiel, rationing board chairman,
who said that despite the services
of six volunteer helpers, who
have augmented the regular clerical
staff and the members of the
board, the applications are so
great that the force has been
completely swamped.

"Many people seem to have the
idea that applications must be
made now for sugar for canning
purposes, even though the sugar
is not to be used until a later
date," Hartfiel said. "This is not
the case. The board will continue
to receive applications for the bal-
ance of the year. If only those
people who need sugar imme-
diately apply we will be able to
handle the work, but the applica-
tions now are coming in so fast
that the office space and hall-
ways are congested and applica-
tions are forced to spend a great
deal of time awaiting service."

Mr. Hartfiel stated that applica-
tions have been made to state
headquarters for authority to
move into larger quarters and for
permission to employ more
clerks. However, such authority
has not yet been received.

Until provision can be made to
handle applications promptly, he
urges that only those persons
who must have sugar at once
make applications and that those
who can wait until a later date
withhold their applications until
nearer the time the sugar will be
needed.

Argentine Wails to Axis Because Ships Torpedoed

BUENOS AIRES, June 9.—
(AP)—Neutral Argentina is pro-
testing to Germany and Italy for
the torpedoing of the Argentine
tanker Victoria in American
waters, it was learned on high
authority today.

The ship was able to reach an
eastern United States port after
the attack and Argentine naval
officers made an exhaustive
study of the cause of damage.

Argentina and Chile are the
only American nations maintain-
ing relations with the axis. The
attack on the Victoria was the
first on an Argentine vessel since
the United States entered the war.

It will be the second such pro-
test by Argentina since the war
started. The first, to Germany
alone, followed the sinking of the
Argentine freighter Uruguay off
the coast of Spain in 1940. Ger-
many's reply never was pub-
lished.

Ignorance Preferred to Draft for War Service

RALEIGH, N. C., June 9.—(AP)—
J. E. Miller, director of the
state adult education department,
said that adult education classes
for draftees rejected because of
illiteracy had failed in North
Carolina.

"The draftees prefer to dodge
the draft rather than to learn to
read and write," Miller said. "The
illiterate youth who is eager to learn
that he might serve his country is
an unusual case."

Miller said that 23 school units
in North Carolina have organized
classes to teach illiterate draftees
but that the rejected men were
"a little too wise to go to a school
which will prepare them to get
back into the army."

The classes, Miller said, were
abandoned.

Oregon Bankers Score Excess Tax Collection

PORTLAND, June 9.—(AP)—<