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About That Second Front

ALL the signs point to some dramatic development in this war. What it will be, or where, or upon whose initiative, only a very few persons know—and perhaps they are not quite certain.

It could be the collapse of the sturdy Russian defense. Undoubtedly Hitler is pouring every possible ounce of his strength into an effort to break the red army now. He may succeed. But in all probability he will not, although he is doing tremendous damage.

More probably, the sensation will be the opening of a second front by either the Anglo-American alliance or the Japanese. Nobody should be too greatly surprised if the two came almost simultaneously—the United Nations trying to distract Hitler from his Russian adventure, while Japan, in Siberia, attempts to distract the reds from Hitler.

Over whatever the Japanese may do our control is limited. Moreover, President Roosevelt has promised that we shall wage a war of offense. Therefore it is up to us to decide, principally, where we are going to hit Hitler, and how.

Laymen in a democracy are entitled to their opinions. But lay opinions in the matter of second front strategy are not worth the breath it takes to expound them. Only the experts should determine, on the basis of secret information properly withheld from the public, when we are ready to strike, and where, and how.

Conceding that probably we shall open a second front soon, there is one point on which the public should keep very clear.

If our second front is in the air—if it is a day-by-day series of devastating raids upon the reich's industrial centers and transportation arteries—then in launching it we shall not have burned all our bridges behind us.

We can wage such warfare assured that even if it should prove less conclusive than we hope, we shall have done more damage to Germany than to ourselves.

A second land front can not be opened in Europe, however pressing Russia's emergency, unless we are prepared to gamble our national existence upon that one throw of the dice.

The losses we must suffer, landing an army in Europe and attempting to supply it, will be so unbearable that they could not be repeated.

If such an attempt is made and it fails, we shall probably have lost the war for keeps, right there.

The decision is too vital to be made on the basis of emotion. If Franklin Roosevelt were so weak that he could be egged into rashness by pre-printed postcards, Red Front sponsored, they should be withheld.

Fortunately, he is not.

Editorials on News

(Continued from page 1.)

INGS ACCOMPLISHED. The enemy has counter-attacked with rapidity and vigor.

"Heavy fighting is still in progress."

THAT is to say, we have NOW DONE what the Japs have so far BEEN DOING exclusively—landing men from ships and TAKING OVER.

If we can finish what we have started—that is, taking over the Solomons and USING THEM OURSELVES instead of permitting them to be used by the Japs

—we shall be able to say that finally we have got started. In all our wars so far, we have been slow starters but tough finishers.

YOU will be wise if you do not jump to the conclusion that we are starting immediately an island-to-island offensive against the Japs. That would be a big contract.

It is more likely that we are tackling the Solomons with the idea of preventing the Japs from using them as a base for raiding our communication line to Australia.

At the same time, in much the same manner as the Japs' simultaneous attack on Midway and Dutch Harbor, we sent a smaller naval force against the western Aleutian islands.

This seems to have been more or less of a hit-and-run affair, primarily designed to confuse the enemy as to where the main blow was to fall.

THE situation in Russia is no better.

There are reports of "heavy explosions" in the direction of Maikop, indicating that the Russians may already be destroying the Maikop oil field.

The Russian line before Stalingrad appears to be holding—leading to the guess that as between defending the Caucasus north of the mountains and holding Stalingrad and the Volga the Russians are choosing the latter.

IN India Gandhi went ahead with his bluff and the British called it promptly, arresting the wizened little leader and his wife and proceeding to put down the rioting—which seems to be on a considerable scale.

There are reports of bands of Hindus stoning Moslem shops in Bombay, which are significant. No love is lost between the Hindus and the Moslems. That is one reason why Britain has found it so difficult to grant complete independence to India.

The Moslems, who are numerically in the minority, have insisted bitterly that giving independence to India would amount to turning them over bodily to their Hindu enemies.

THERE has been much talk of late (apparently pretty well justified) of Japan's hair-trigger readiness to attack Siberia.

It will be interesting to see whether she goes ahead with it. If not, it may be that we have given Russia some real help.

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(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
4:15—Johnson Family.
4:30—Johnny Richards' Orch.
5:00—When Annals Plays.
5:15—Analysis of Propaganda.
5:30—Canadian Grenadier Guards Band.
6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:30—Treasury Star Parade.
6:45—Interlude.
6:50—Copco News.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—John B. Hughes, Acin.
7:15—Ray Kinney's Orch.
7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Quiz of the Coast.
8:30—Jan Savitt's Orch.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Cal Tinney.
9:30—Henry King's Orch.
9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
10:00—News Bulletins.
10:02—Sign Off.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 1942

6:45—Eye Opener.
7:00—News, L. A. Soap Co.
7:15—4-H Club Program.
7:30—News Bulletins.
7:35—State and Local News, Boring Optical.
7:40—Rhapsody in Way.
8:00—Haven of Rest.
8:30—News.
8:45—Miss Meade's Children.
9:00—Boake Carter.
9:15—Man About Town.
9:45—U. S. Navy Band.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—I'll Find My Way.
10:30—News Bulletins.
10:35—Women Today.
10:45—Karl Zomar's Scrapbook.
11:00—Cedric Foster.
11:15—Freddie Martin's Orch.
11:30—School of the Air.
11:45—Khaki Serenade.
12:00—Interlude.
12:05—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer Co.
12:15—Rhythm at Random.
12:45—State News, Hansen Motors.
12:50—News Review of the Air.
1:05—Musical L. C. Lude.
1:15—Baseball Round-Up—Victory Quartette.
1:30—N. Y. Racing Season.
1:45—Sweet and Sentimental.
2:00—Willard Trio.
2:15—Man With a Band.
2:30—The Grabbag.
2:45—The Bookworm.
3:00—The Dream House of Melody, Capco.
3:30—News, Douglas National Bank.

OUT OUR WAY



By J. R. Williams

Concerning the NORTHWEST As Viewed at the National Capitol By John W. Kelly

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—Japanese are now on St. Lawrence island, 100 miles from Nome, and Nome has been evacuated of all but troops and male civilians. That the enemy is on St. Lawrence island is in the "it is reported" class, but evacuation of Nome is a fact. The evacuation took place about three weeks ago and was accomplished by 60-odd transport planes, requiring many trips and several days to fly the women, children and old men to a less exposed place.

Guess of observers in Alaska is that the Japanese are using Attu, Agattu and Kiska islands in the Aleutians as a shield or protective wing for their main objective, striking across Alaska, the Yukon and the western provinces of Canada toward the Twin cities, Chicago or Detroit. Most of the country on such a route is similar to the terrain east of the Cascades in Washington and Oregon, not difficult to traverse on foot and no obstacles to flying. While this may sound far-fetched, these Alaskan visitors will take a map and a lead pencil and demonstrate the possible course of the Japanese into the North American continent. At the same time the route which American relief in Siberia would use is being bottled.

St. Lawrence island is a wind swept mass of rocks in Bering strait, with a few native huts, and 160 miles from that narrow gap of water which separates Asia (East Cape of Wales) by about 50 miles. According to unofficial reports—there are almost no official communications on the Alaska situation—the Japanese have invested this rather large island which would permit the enemy to strike either toward Nome, to the

northeast, or the Yukon river to the southeast.

Nome being in an exposed position, orders were given to evacuate the civilians. Three score of the big transport planes, such as were operated by commercial companies before the war, department took them over, were assigned to the task and the women and children were whisked through the air to the south. For every trip with the evacuees the transports took a load of soldiers north. Before evacuation there was one anti-aircraft gun in Nome; today that far northern outpost bristles with these weapons. Jap observation planes have flown over Nome taking pictures.

U-Boats on Prowl

Little has been said about the Japanese submarines lurking along the Aleutians, Alaska, British Columbia and the coasts of Washington and Oregon. One communique did touch upon the Japanese submarines lightly, but passenger steamers have encountered them, according to one version. Two submarines surfaced and blazed away but the merchant ship maneuvered to safety, then the gun crew of the passenger boat fired and blew the top off the superstructure of one and the second sub made a crash dive, leaving the deck gun crew to drown.

Japanese submarines have been roaming from the Aleutians to almost the California line (possibly off the California coast as well). Their operations have not been limited to shooting at Fort Stevens or Estaban point on Vancouver island, a few miles from Victoria, nor to the sinking of three or four merchant vessels somewhere between the entrance to the strait of Juan de Fuca and Coos bay. The full extent of the damage caused by these submarines has yet to be announced in a communique, or what happened to the subs (if anything). The policy of dealing with sinkings on the Atlantic and the gulf appears to differ from the policy on the west coast.

Ouster Is Navy's Job

British Columbia, sandwiched in between Alaska and Washington, is keenly aware of the Japanese menace. In addition to pot

Home Loans Show Drop During June

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Insured savings and loan associations in Oregon and Washington reported declines in home loans made during June compared with June 1941 it was announced by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance corporation.

The statement said the loans in Oregon for June totaled \$195,400 compared with \$644,173 in June of last year while in Washington they totaled \$1,261,400 compared with \$2,026,954. The Oregon loans for June compared with \$340,100 in May and the Washington loans compared with \$1,240,800 in May.

War time restrictions held new construction loans in Oregon to \$37,700 during June in Oregon and to \$260,000 in Washington. Loans for home purchases in Washington totaled \$500,460 in June compared with \$27,200 in Oregon loans for home purchases totaled \$115,800.

shots being taken at a radio and weather station on Vancouver island, a Canadian freighter limped into Victoria with wounds from the enemy. To Alaska have been sent Canadian aviators and some ground troops to cooperate with American soldiers with no one raising the right of an armed and uniformed foreign military force stepping upon American territory.

Alaska itself is under constant aerial patrol and every boat must have a broad yellow streak across the top to identify itself. The area being one of mist and fogs, yellow is used for the same reason that the yellow line is painted on aerial highways; it shows up prominently.

But, priceless American blood has been spilled and millions of dollars in navy PBV Catalina boats have been destroyed with almost complete silence on these subjects in the very few communiques issued on Alaska. There are troops in every part of Alaska, but ousting the Japanese from their hold on the Aleutian islands is a job for the navy, with bombers cooperating.

Tax Bill Lets 36 Billion Income Escape, Taft Says

Expanded Levy on Earners in Lower Brackets Favored at Senate Committee Hearing

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) said yesterday the new revenue bill approved by the house would permit \$36,000,000,000 income earned in the lower pay brackets to go untaxed.

Taft made this observation after Dr. Joseph J. Klein of New York City, former president of the New York society of Certified Public Accountants, had urged the senate finance committee to levy additional taxes on low income groups.

Before the committee met Senator LaFollette (Prog-Wis) had expressed the opposite view—that proposed rates on low incomes were too high.

"There it is," Klein told the committee, "get it if you can. The public will be with you if you levy a fair impost, for there is general realization of the danger to all of us from wild inflation."

Asserting that there was "no more tax gold in the corporate bills," Klein said most additional revenue must be obtained from individuals. He said incomes below \$10,000 yearly afforded the only source of obtaining substantial amounts.

Taft said this appeared to be true, contending that if all of the incomes above \$10,000 except that now paid in taxes were confiscated, only \$5,000,000,000 could be obtained.

"There is \$36,000,000,000 that is not taxed at all," Taft declared. "It is the income of people who pay no taxes at all, who would have no taxable income under this bill."

Shields Small Earners. LaFollette contended that "congress and the treasury are only picking a number from 1 to 10 when they arrive at a goal in dollars and cents for the additional tax burden."

LaFollette is a member of the senate finance committee which expects to complete its public hearings Thursday on the program already approved by the house.

"As far as I am concerned," he told reporters, "I am opposed to the drastic increases contained in the house bill for the lower income group of taxpayers, and above all, I think they should not be imposed until the loopholes have been plugged and additional revenue obtained from estates."

"In my view the house bill fails to provide revenue on the basis of ability to pay. It does nothing to help small business, which is threatened with extinc-

tion by priorities. It taxes the underpaid too heavily."

The house bill provides a \$500 exemption for single persons and \$1,000 for married couples, compared with the present \$750 and \$1,500. The normal tax rate would be raised from 4 to 6 per cent, and the surtax on the lowest bracket, voted a withholding levy of 5 per cent on salaries and dividends, to be collected at the source starting next year for application to the tax due March 15, 1944.

Riddle Farmers Harvest Crop For Ailing Neighbor

RIDDLE, Aug. 12.—Despite the shortage of farm labor and the necessity for working extra long hours, farmers of the Riddle valley found time Saturday to demonstrate the typical western spirit of helpfulness. Neighbors and friends of O. V. Logsdon, well known Riddle resident, who has been seriously ill for the past six weeks, gathered Saturday and held an old-fashioned harvesting bee.

Due to his illness, Mr. Logsdon had been unable to attend to his grain crop. Jack Gaulke of Days Creek, who had been operating a threshing rig in the valley, donated his equipment while members of his crew gave their services. A large group of neighbors brought trucks and hay racks and soon had the grain on the Logsdon farm threshed, hauled and stored.

Mr. Logsdon expressed deep gratitude for the kindness of his neighbors and friends.

Army Officer Not Courtmartialed In Theft of Payroll

SEATTLE, Aug. 11.—(AP)—Major General James R. Muir, commanding general, said today that Lieut. Robert I. Cummings, Buffalo, N. Y., "had not been courtmartialed, nor was any such action contemplated," in connection with the theft of a jeep and a \$6,000 payroll by Harry Charles Savage, 25, Rochester, N. Y., soldier, last March.

Savage, who pleaded guilty, was sentenced by Federal Judge Bowen here last July 11 to 10 years' imprisonment. At that time, Allan Pomeroy, assistant district attorney, told the court that Savage's superior, Lieutenant Cummings, had been convicted of dereliction of duty by a courtmartial, and had been ordered to repay the money spent by Savage.

General Muir said today that any statement that Cummings was courtmartialed was an injustice to the lieutenant.

He said Cummings was a good officer and his only difficulty was that he had too much faith in human nature and was too trusting of Savage. He said a board of inquiry recommended that Cummings reimburse the army with any amount not recovered from Savage, but that this report had gone to the war department for final decision, and no decision had been made.

Enlists in Army—The army recruiting office at Portland reports the enlistment in the U. S. army of Robert A. Greenley, Star route, Roseburg.

CONCERT VIOLINIST

HORIZONTAL
1 Pictured concert musician.

13 Theme.
14 Ornamental notes.
16 Home of Abraham.
18 Domestic slave.
19 One who mimics.
20 Exist.
21 Sinbad's bird.
23 Ells English. (abbr.).
25 Senior (abbr.).
26 Vegetable.
27 Jet.
29 Gallon (abbr.).
31 Bloch.
33 Before.
34 Enclosed.
36 Noah's boat.
37 He is a concert —
38 Mine shaft but.
40 Of the nose.
41 Age.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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SHAMLET WINDT
SPACEANT PORT

44 Full dress suit (colloq.).
46 Small maps set within larger ones.
49 Sick.
50 Georgia (abbr.).
51 Female hare.
52 Print measure.
53 Parent.
54 Unit of work.
56 Myself.
57 Not good.

10 Pronoun.
11 Part of "be."
12 Dressed animal pelt.
15 Fruit.
17 Stout cord.
20 Anvil horn.
22 Mongrel.
24 Desert gardez spot.
26 By.
28 Carouse.
29 Fete.
30 Russian river.
32 Companions.
34 Against.
35 Careful.
38 Peaceful.
39 Lubricate.
42 Color.
43 Small particle.
44 Row.
45 Type of shovel.
47 Nostrils.
48 Saw.
53 Moccasin.
55 The mugger.
57 Soul (Egypt).
59 North river (abbr.).



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