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It Can't Be Done

FIRST there was a wave of popular enthusiasm, when Henry J. Kaiser proposed a huge fleet of aerial box cars to carry war supplies from factory to fighting front, high above lurking axis submarines.

Then, inevitably, there arose the chant which so often has sounded the death knell of progressivism: "It can't be done."

The heavy thinkers, the experts, the traditionalists are warning us that nothing like Mr. Kaiser proposes ever has been done, and therefore nothing like it can be done.

Unfortunately, to the voices of consistent pessimists and let's-do-it-the-old-wayers have been added the discouraging advice of some who in the past have shown willingness to try new pathways after the old have led to dead ends.

Perhaps it really can't be done. Perhaps it is not feasible to provide 200-ton or even 70-ton cargo ships, built largely from non-critical materials, as substitutes for the vessels which axis U-boats are sinking faster than they can be replaced.

Certainly there are very grave barriers in the way, of which the highest hurdles would be engines and precision instruments. Nor can it be gained that up to now it has taken closer to three years than 10 months to get into mass production on a new plane model.

Nevertheless, to brush off the Kaiser proposal so cavalierly, without any attempt to find a way of achieving the ostensibly impossible, would not be the approach by which this war is going to be won.

If one were to sit down in a cozy armchair, canvass the war situation as it is today, draw inferences from history, and insist upon being a dispassionate realist, he might easily conclude that the United Nations cannot possibly win this war.

We are losers, up to now, by a nation which 10 years ago could not possibly, by conventional standards, have been conceded a fighting chance against even France—not to mention Britain, Russia and the United States.

The Germans, whom we considered a stolid, unimaginative people, have cleaned up all of continental Europe except Russia by forgetting that things "can't be done," and doing them.

The Russians, whom we considered inept imitators of more original-minded peoples, have withstood the Nazi blitzkrieg marvelously well because they didn't concede that "it can't be done."

Are we, whose greatest pride has been our inventive genius, our willingness to take a chance, going to curl up and die because somebody thinks "it can't be done?"

Perhaps it can't. Perhaps it shouldn't. How do we know? Have we tried?

Editorials on News

(Continued from page 1.)

resses were attacking the important German fighter plane base at Abbeville, a few miles to the north. Later Flying Fortresses attacked railway yards at Amiens.

Take a look at your map here. You will find Amiens about 50 miles inland from Dieppe and Abbeville. It is an important junction point of railroads leading from the interior to the channel coast.

It is obvious that when (and if) the channel coast is attacked in EARNEST these railroads will be jammed with German reinforcements rushing up to the threatened point.

LET'S do a little guessing here. When (and if) an invasion of

western Europe is launched, railroads and highways will be unbelievably necessary to the Germans.

This much is practically certain: BEFORE such an invasion is launched, our side will undertake to destroy or at least seriously damage these communication lines by which German reinforcements must be brought in.

Watch all these attacks on railroad centers. They will be significant.

LAVAL, Hitler's French stooge, says the Dieppe raid was really a full-scale invasion attempt that FAILED in spite of the fact that it had ten months of careful preparation behind it.

That is the German story—and so, of course, it is also Laval's story.

FROM informed quarters in New Zealand we get a little more light on the Solomons situation.

The Japs, these quarters say, are busily reorganizing their naval and air forces in the northern Solomons, apparently for a renewed attempt to drive the Americans out of the foothold they have gained in the southern islands of the Solomon group.

(They tried that once before, on the night of August 8, and appear to have been severely beaten. If they come back for another try, it will be a sign of the importance they attach to these island bases.)

It may be expected that they will come back in greater force.

The New Zealand reports indicate that the Jap troops left in the Tulagi region are fighting a bitter delaying action in the hope of receiving reinforcements.

THE battle for Stalingrad and the Volga goes on with undiminished fury.

The Germans, by Russian admission, got across the Don and held with a part of their forces. Later bayonet-charging Russians are reported to have "slaughtered all but a few" of these Germans on the east bank of the Don.

The situation so far isn't too good. As long as these Germans can hold their place on the other side of the river there is the possibility that they may be reinforced and a full-scale crossing made possible.

YOU may have noticed that the Russians refer only to the number of Germans they have killed.

Killing Germans is the No. 1 job of Timoshenko's slowly retreating armies. If they can KILL ENOUGH of them, the time will come when they can turn on the German invaders and drive them back.

It is a grim job. But war is grim.

Mrs. Marjorie Wimer Passes Away in Eugene

Word was received here today of the death Friday at Eugene of Mrs. Marjorie Wimer, 52, wife of Evan Wimer. Mr. and Mrs. Wimer were residents of Roseburg for many years. Mr. Wimer being employed by the Southern Pacific company. His wife was the daughter of J. A. McQuigall, an early-day settler in Roseburg. She was born at St. Stevens, New Brunswick, July 1, 1890, and was married in Roseburg Sept. 26, 1906.

The husband and a daughter, Mahnon, survive.

Funeral services were held in Eugene today.

Spanish Type Onions Placed Under Standard

SALEM, Aug. 24.—(AP)—The state department of agriculture said it has adopted a standard for Spanish type onions as the result of a recent hearing in Ontario, where growers asked for separate grades for this type of onion.

Growers of Spanish type onions may grade either under the new standards, under the U. S. standards for northern onions, or under the regular Oregon onion standards.

Weevils, Worms Lead to Food Seizures in Oregon

SALEM, Aug. 24.—(AP)—The state department of agriculture said that its foodstuff inspections during July resulted in seizure and condemnation of an unusually large amount of foodstuffs.

Most of the seizures, including dried fruits, cereals and peas, were due to the presence of weevils and worms in the products.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the kindness and sympathy extended by our friends during our recent bereavement, and for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Mattie V. Houser and family.

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(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 1942

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.

4:15—Johnson Family.

4:30—Music Depreciation.

5:00—When Annaloris Plays.

5:15—Harry James Orch.

5:30—Bulldog Drummond.

6:00—Musical Interlude.

6:20—Coppo News.

6:25—Interlude.

6:30—Teamsters Council Program.

7:00—Raymond Gram Swing.

7:15—David Rose and his Orch.

7:30—Lone Ranger.

8:00—Boy's Town.

8:30—Double or Nothing, Feenamint.

9:00—Alka Seltzer News.

9:15—Hi Neighbor, McKean and Carstens.

9:30—Horace Heidt's Orch.

9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.

10:00—Sign off.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1942

6:45—Eye Opener.

7:00—News, L. A. Soap Co.

7:15—County Aep Program.

7:30—News Bulletin.

7:35—State and Local News, Boring Optical Co.

7:40—Rhapsody in Wax.

8:00—Haven of Rest.

8:30—News.

8:45—Miss Meade's Children.

9:00—Boake Carter.

9:15—Paid About Town.

9:45—U. S. Marine Band.

10:00—Alka Seltzer News.

10:15—Dedication of Stewart Field.

10:30—News Bulletin.

10:35—Women Today.

10:45—Karl Zomar's Scrapbook.

11:00—Cedric Foster.

11:15—Office of War Information.

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 Interlude.

1:15—Baseball Round-Up—Musical Interlude.

1:30—N. Y. Racing Program.

1:45—Sweet and Sentimental.

2:00—President's Press Conference.

2:05—Two Keyboards.

2:15—Man With a Band.

2:30—The Grabbag.

2:45—The Bookworm.

3:00—The Dream House of Melody, Copco.

3:30—News, Douglas National Bank.

3:45—Bill Hay Reads the Bible.

4:00—Helen Hayes, Guest Speaker on Fulton Lewis, Jr. Program.

4:15—Johnson Family.

4:30—Confidentially Yours.

4:45—Bob Crosby's Orch.

5:00—U. S. Army Program.

5:15—To Be Announced.

5:30—The Federal Ace.

6:00—Dinner Concert.

6:30—Jamboree.

6:45—Interlude.

6:50—Coppo News.

6:55—Interlude.

7:00—John B. Hughes, Anacin.

7:15—Tommy Tucker's Orch.

7:30—Morton Gould's Orch.

8:00—Health Talk by Dr. Wainwright.

8:05—George Duffy's Orch.

8:15—Dick Kuhn's Orch.

8:30—Rudy Wallace's Orch.

9:00—Alka Seltzer News.

9:15—Round-Up in the Sky, E. G. High Insurance.

9:30—John B. Hughes, Studebaker.

9:45—Helen Hayes, Guest Speaker on Fulton Lewis, Jr. Program.

10:00—News Bulletin.

10:02—Sign off.

Beavers Make It 4 Straight Wins Over Seattle

(By the Associated Press)

Portland's reviving Beavers swept both week-end doubleheaders but gained only a game on the Pacific Coast league baseball leaders over their position a week ago. Then they were 32 behind. Today they're 31.

The cellar dwellers downed their most persistent jinx of the year by trouncing Seattle on the latter's home grounds for the first time this season—and they did it four times in a row—9 to 6 and 4 to 3 Saturday, 4 to 3 and 6 to 4 yesterday. They also won their second consecutive series, 4 to 3.

Norbert and Carney were big guns in the Oregon counter attack, the latter's double followed by the former's home run clinched the opener Sunday. Both figured in all nightcap scoring, either by crossing the plate or at bat.

Second place Sacramento also scored a clean sweep in week-end play—but only had three games to account for beating San Diego 9 to 2 Saturday and 6 to 2 and 2 to 1 yesterday. Donnelly won his 19th game of the year in the nine-inning afterpiece. He allowed only six hits in the extra-frame affair.

San Francisco in taking a 5 to 4 series from league-leading Los Angeles took three of four week-end games. The Seals won Saturday 3 to 0 and 3 to 2 and took a nine-inning second game Sunday 5 to 4. Los Angeles relieved the opener 4 to 2.

Hollywood won a ten-inning first game from Oakland 5 to 4 yesterday although the Stars were out 15 to 9. They also

DAILY DEVOTIONS

DR. CHAS. A. EDWARDS

A long time ago in the city of Athens there lived a sculptor named Pygmalion. Even in his teens he had won renown as an artist, and a group of wealthy patrons presented him with a very large and expensive block of ivory. He knew this work was to be his ("Magnum opus") and he looked about for the one thing that would justify his working on such expensive material. Deciding upon the statue of a girl, Pygmalion began pouring his heart and soul into his work. The more he toiled on the statue, the more she seemed to take on something like personality. He called her Galatea, and as he worked, he chattered to her, and before she had shown her lovely form he flattered and encouraged her by telling her that she was going to be a remarkable girl. One day in late afternoon twilight, he stepped back with mallet and chisel in hand and said: "Now Galatea, I have done everything I can for you." He walked up to the statue, knelt, and wrapped his arms around it. He felt a stir, and looking up, he saw Galatea's lips part in a smile. She put her arms around his neck, and kissed him. Because of his devotion, and his sacrifice she had found life. This is only a story in the world of make-believe, but we, too, can be Pygmals in the world. Amen.

took the series 5 to 3 but remained in seventh place, only 104 games above Portland. Hollywood won the opening game Saturday 4 to 1 from Oakland but dropped the nightcaps both that day and yesterday, the Oaks winning 3 to 1 and 7 to 1.

BRITISH STEAMMAN

HORIZONTAL Answer to Previous Puzzle

1 Pictured British statesman, Captain
12 Roof edges.
13 Benefit.
15 Crown.
16 Satisfied.
18 Roman road.
20 English poet.
22 Nevada city.
24 Helper.
26 Cape (geog.).
28 Cause.
29 Drama units.
30 Beverage.
31 Symbol for tellurium.
32 Cooking vessel.
33 Greek letter.
35 Rough lava.
37 Bird's beak.
39 Rises in vapor.
42 Plait.
44 Symbol for samarium.
45 Head covering.

17 System of signals.
19 Twitching.
21 Swiss river.
23 Louise egg.
25 Pet again.
27 Dismounted.
29 Weep convulsively.
30 Onager.
34 He was once governor of the.
35 Church part.
36 Windlike part.
37 Country.
38 Flying mammal.
40 Disfigure.
41 Let it stand!
43 Fragrant oleoresin.
44 Syriac cursive script.
47 Repair.
50 Instrumental duets.

46 Seasoning.
47 Encountered.
48 Exist.
49 Type of duck.
51 High hill.
52 He is governor of and.
53 Sorrowful.
54 Not as young.
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Concerning the NORTHWEST As Viewed at the National Capitol By John W. Kelly

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 24.

Government agencies are putting pressure on Portland General Electric Co. to permit Bonneville administration to use the private company's facilities to Swan island to serve the so-called Kaiser shipyard with government-owned power. Out of the controversy, which has been raging for several months, comes the declaration of John Carmody of maritime commission that the government owns Swan island yard (50-odd oil tankers to be built there) and that Kaiser is just hired to operate the plant. Commissioner Carmody rules that Swan island should buy its power from Bonneville and this decision is confirmed by other members of the commission.

Commissioner Carmody came into the new deal as headman of REA, the agency created to make loans to cooperatives, to furnish farmers with electric lights and appliances. He is for government ownership. PGE has been serving Swan island for years, ever since it was a municipal airport, and has towers, transmission lines and other facilities to serve the new shipyard. Bonneville administration has no franchise, so cannot run its lines to Swan island. Carmody insists that PGE use its facilities to "wheel" power from Bonneville to the shipyard. Incidentally, the power PGE is now selling to the Swan island yard it buys from Bonneville.

Administrator Raver threatens to ask war production board for a mandatory order directing PGE to surrender its facilities to Bonneville as a war measure. Raver holds to the theory that a government agency, where government money has been invested, should buy power from Grand Coulee or Bonneville. Carmody agrees with that idea. Carried a bit further, it could be asserted that inasmuch as the government through RFC has advanced loans to Boeing aircraft and other war industries these industries should buy their energy from Grand Coulee-Bonneville. The shipyard at Vancouver, operated by Kaiser, takes its power from Bonneville.

Another dispute between Dr. Raver and PGE is the refusal of the latter to sell its operation at Woodburn, Ore., and Clark county, Wash. (cutting off two segments of the private utility), and Raver refuses to give PGE a contract for power until these operations are surrendered. As to the Swan island controversy, Raver can settle that himself by pulling the Bonneville switch, but this he dare not do for fear it would paralyze the shipyard, affecting about 40,000 workers, delay much needed ships, and Raver would be held accountable.

Raver Plans Drastic Action

It is industry that Administrator Raver now wants to buy government power from the two gigantic dams. In the early days of late J. D. Ross, first administrator, claimed that he had applications for 280,000 kilowatts from PUDs. He said he had applications from counties in Washington north of his own City Light; from Pend Oreille, Whatcom, Okanogan and practically every county in Washington, with a few Oregon counties. He would read these applications to congress from a little book. This, said he, was to be the peoples' power and probably not more than 10 or 15 per cent was to be sold to industry. Today, after all these years, the "people," represented by PUDs, are buying less than 30,000 kilowatts; applications for the rest of the 280,000 kilowatts vanished into thin air, and Raver is hot on the trail of every prospective industrial customer in the Pacific northwest.

Congress was skeptical of the power development; wanted justification for the millions of dollars requested for transmission lines; asked where the revenue would come from. At this uneasy stage PGE signed the first contract for a substantial block of power (Cascade Locks had signed for about 100 kilowatts) and at last, having a paying customer, Bonneville received its appropriations. Today Bonneville is demanding surrender of Clark county, Wash., and Woodburn, Ore., by PGE and is planning to take over, if possible, the \$60,000,000 property. The administrator is preparing to start a fire under the private utility different from the one under Puget Sound Light and Power company.

Headache For Army

As of August 15, 5,532,000 applications for family allowances had been distributed to the armed forces and approximately 2,000,000 have not yet arrived at their destination. There is no way of estimating the number of checks to be issued, but the work involved will require the establishment of one of the largest single agencies of its kind. When the organization is completed it will handle about 20,000 applications and authorizations a day, and in addition accurate track must be kept of change of address, change

GOP Organizer Here for Meet



Steve Anderson, above, of Salem, executive secretary of the Young Republican federation of Oregon, arrived in Roseburg today and will meet with the Roseburg club at 8 o'clock tonight at the Rose hotel to discuss matters connected with the campaign for the fall election. Anderson has been travelling throughout the state organizing new clubs and assisting in forming policies. Strong clubs now exist in nearly all of the major cities of the state, he reports. He is urging that all young republicans of Roseburg and vicinity be in attendance at the meeting tonight.

ton, 30, in the nightcap, which was halted by darkness after five and a half innings.

Another Double Blank.

The Boston Red Sox picked up a game on the leaders by shutting out the Athletics, 20 and 70