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Second Front Discard

THE misapprehension between

Moscow on the one hand, and

London and Washington on the

other, about a second land front

in Europe is distressing but not

at all surprising. It has seemed

inevitable ever since the London-

Washington announcement last

June that the three United Na-

tions were in agreement as to

"the urgent task of creating a

second front in Europe in 1942."

Obviously this was one of those

matters on which the public

could not be given even the

vaguest hint as to details. Specu-

lation, therefore, spread in all di-

rections in the free press of Brit-

ain and the United States.

In Russia the press is not free.

Speculation there took the direc-

tion that the government consid-

ered wisest. Judging from re-

ports, the Russians were given

assurance that the Anglo-Ameri-

can forces definitely would come

to their assistance by attacking

Hitler from the rear—that is,

from the west.

This situation and its state-

ment involve no criticism of the

Russian course.

Quite apparently, as we now

can see, those speculators were

correct who considered the state-

ment as a weapon in a war of

nerves.

To the extent that the Rus-

sians' unfounded hope for a

second land front may have con-

tributed to the doggedness with

which they have resisted Hitler's

hordes this summer, perhaps the

statement justified itself.

To the extent to which the

nazis were made uncertain

whether we might be silly enough

to attempt an invasion of the

continent without proper prepara-

tion or adequate resources, the

strategy may have helped Russia

by keeping some rich strength

away from the eastern front for

a time.

Nobody can blame the Rus-

sians, desperate as they are, for

trying to induce us to come to

their rescue on a second front.

After all, Stalin's primary in-

terest is in Russia—not in Brit-

ain, not in the United States, not

in democracy. Self-preservation

is the first law of nature for na-

tions as for individuals.

By the same token, nobody can

find justified fault with the Brit-

ish and us for not committing

national suicide by invading the

continent this summer.

Starting from military naked

scratches, with all our irritating

and discouraging failures we

have done a good job of arming.

We are nearly ready to translate

local petty offensives into the be-

ginning of a grand sweep that, in

course of time, will destroy to-

talitarianism completely.

If Russia can hold out for what

now will be a short while, she

will be amply repaid in new

and were going to out-wait the

waiters if it took a leg. One of

these bottle-necks you read about.

One waitress, heckled by a cus-

tomers who insisted it had been

two hours since he placed his or-

der, answered nonchalantly: "I

should worry; I'm going to the

shipyards tomorrow, anyway."

AS already stated here, the

shipyard need for manpower

is simply bottomless. After all

the scraping that has been done,

they tell you that 40,000 more

workers are acutely necessary.

Now.

Meeting this need (or trying to)

is resulting in interesting sit-

uations.

Ed Koen, who publishes the

Oregon City Banner-Courier, told

this writer that a vice-president

of an Oregon City bank puts in

a full day at his desk and then

goes to Portland and works the

swing shift at a shipyard.

The shipyards have been sif-

ting workers out of the paper

mills, which are Oregon City's

big industry, leaving them short-

handed. Two Clackamas county

officials, Ed says, put in the day

shift at their offices and then

work the night shift at the paper

mill.

One guesses there will be a lot

more of this before the war is

over.

TO say that hotel rooms in

Portland are scarce wouldn't

be within even gun-shot of the

facts. As a going commodity, they

are non-existent. When you find

one, it's about the same as strol-

ling through the hills and stub-

bbling your toe on a gold nugget.

They're windfalls—not something

to be taken for granted.

This writer, having a business

appointment, called Bill Hoffman,

of the Multnomah and asked how

about it. Bill's answer was a

courteous laugh. "There isn't one

in town," he said.

Arriving the next morning, Bill

was again broached. "Would it be

any use to put in a reservation

for tonight?"

"Well," he answered, "I can

give you a slant by telling about

night before last—I haven't all

the figures yet for last night. But

night before last we filled the ho-

tel to the roof, and then slept 48

people in the lobby, 14 in the bar-

ber shop and 12 in the Turkish

bath."

KRRR

Mutual Broadcasting System,
1490 Kilocycles.

(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

5:00—David Rose and His Or-

chestra.

5:15—Man Your Battle Stations.

5:30—California Melodies.

6:00—Dinner Concert.

6:50—Cocopa News.

6:55—Interlude.

7:00—John B. Hughes.

7:15—Saturday Night Bond-

wagon.

7:45—Ray Kinney's Orchestra.

8:00—Bernie Cummings' Orches-

tra.

8:15—Ted Weem's Orchestra.

8:30—Freedom Forum.

9:00—Alka Seltzer News.

9:15—Johnny Richards Orches-

tra.

9:30—Ray Kinney's Orchestra.

10:00—Sign off.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1942

8:00—Reviewing Stand.

8:30—News Bulletins.

8:45—Musical Interlude.

8:55—Voice of Prophecy Choir.

9:00—Detroit Bible Class.

9:30—Walter Compton.

9:45—Songs for Sunday.

10:00—Alka Seltzer News.

10:15—Romance of the Hiways.

Greyhound Bus Lines.

10:30—Morning Melodies.

10:45—World Series, Gillette Saf-

ety Razor Co.

1:00—Hancock Ensemble.

1:30—Young People's Church of

the Air.

2:00—Hawaii Calls.

2:30—The Shadow.

3:00—First Nighter, Campana

Sales Co.

3:30—Anchors Aweigh.

4:00—Special Baptist Church

Program.

4:30—The Angelus Hour, Dou-

glas Funeral Home.

5:00—American Forum of the

Air.

5:45—Evening Melodies.

6:00—Old Fashioned Revival

Hour.

7:00—John B. Hughes.

7:15—Mutual Goes to a Party.

7:30—This Is Our Enemy.

8:00—Murder Clinic.

8:30—Wings Over the West

Coast.

9:00—Alka Seltzer News.

9:15—Voice of Prophecy.

9:45—Sign off.

MONDAY, OCT. 5

6:45—Eye Opener.

7:00—News, L. A. Soap Co.

7:15—Happy Johnnie, Block

Drug Co.

7:30—News Bulletins.

7:33—State and Local News,

Boring Optical.

7:40—J. M. Judd Says "Good

Morning."

7:45—Rhapsody in Wax.

8:00—Breakfast Club.

8:30—Yankee House Party.

OUT OUR WAY



Concerning the NORTHWEST As Viewed at the National Capital By Paul Dunham

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 3.—

Senator Rufus Holman of Oregon

has returned to the national cap-

ital, after weeks in the Pacific

northwest and Alaska, fully con-

vinced that all is not well. Short-

ly after his return he introduced

two pieces of legislation in the

senate, one a bill to discontinue

all quota immigration and to re-

strict the admission of non-im-

migrant aliens; and the other a

joint resolution proposing an

amendment to the constitution

denying dual citizenship.

Holman states that he fears im-

migrants from the devastated

countries of Europe after the war

unless something is done now to

prevent it. He is of the opinion

that returned soldiers will face

plenty serious problems without

having to meet increased com-

petition in the labor field.

The joint resolution is intended

to end the condition in which

many American now find them-

selves. The constitution, Holman

says, does not prevent persons

from enjoying all the rights and

privileges of American citizenship

while at the same time they ac-

knowledge allegiance to a foreign