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**Editorials on News**  
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**bombers.**  
 THE Russian air force begins its seventh week of fierce air battles which, the Russians say, have cost the Germans a total of 3319 planes.  
 A special Russian communique asserts that in June alone 1259 German planes have been shot down. In the LAST WEEK, this special communique says, the German losses have been 498 planes to the Russians' 153.  
 (This, of course, is extremely important, if true, as it indicates a steady whittling down of German strength in the air.)

It is quite possible that our purpose is to weaken the Germans fatally in the air before attempting further heavy land operations against them—even in Russia. One way to do this is by constantly challenging the enemy, forcing him to send up his fighter planes to be shot down.  
 The scheme works only when you are BETTER IN THE AIR than the enemy. The Germans tried it against England, but it didn't work because the British planes and pilots were better than the Germans and shot down TOO MANY of them.  
 The British, however, realized the danger clearly, and instead of sending up their defending fighters in swarms to be shot down in swarms by an enemy who was numerically superior, used them sparingly, depending upon the individual excellence and personal heroism of their fighter pilots.  
 It was of this phase of the battle of Britain that Churchill said: "Never was so much owed by so many to so few."

In the South Pacific, the Japs seem to be experimenting with a new technique of air fighting, sending out big fleets of fighters on "hunting expeditions"—hoping, apparently, to run into our bomber missions and shoot them down.  
 The dispatches indicate that the scheme isn't working for the same reason that the German attempt to destroy the British air force during the battle of Britain didn't work—because our planes and pilots are BETTER.  
 In one encounter, our fighter planes ran into one of these hunting packs and in the ensuing dog fight shot down at least half of the 50 Jap planes involved.  
 Our bombers GOT THROUGH and dropped their deadly eggs.

STEADY bombing of the Jap islands ringing Australia to the north is reported. This process has been going on for weeks. It is intended to soften Jap defenses and break up Jap invasion plans.  
 In China, General Chennault's planes bomb the big Jap air base at Nanchang. Nanchang is also a main base for the Jap army operations along the Yangtze river.  
 SINCE Pantelleria fell by air action alone, the air phase of the war has so monopolized the dispatches as to crowd out the rumors, Turkey has been heard from, Stockholm and Switzerland, fertile rumor fields, have been silent.  
 There is, however, a sidelight in the news.  
 A flag day ceremony in Cairo is marked by a military parade that is viewed by a million spectators. Long lines of U. S. built General Sherman tanks, masses of mechanized units and swarms of war planes participate in the show.  
 We seem to have plenty of strength at that end of the Mediterranean.

**LET'S GET ON WITH THE WAR**  
 EDITORIAL  
 By Charles V. Stanton

It is extremely difficult to obtain a clear perspective of the coal strike from this great distance, when, to use the explanation of the late Will Rogers, "all we know is what we read in the papers." It is very evident, however, that there is more to the current labor situation than a mere wage dispute. The attitudes of all concerned indicate a battle in which politics plays a major role.

There is a possibility the coal strike will be an important factor in lessening chances for a fourth term. John L. Lewis, the leader of the coal miners, who is an avowed personal enemy of the president, is apparently maneuvering the chief executive into a position which will alienate the labor vote from the New Deal camp.

President Roosevelt's precedent-shattering third-term victory was due in a very great measure to the support of organized labor. Because of the importance of the labor vote, the administration has very carefully refrained from any action which would offend the laboring masses. Labor racketeers, taking advantage of this pampering, have engaged in policies which have been extremely injurious to the labor cause, bringing about much unfavorable public sentiment and demands for a firmer hand in controlling strikes and labor disputes.

Lewis, who led his miners in revolt against the third term, has in the present situation a weapon to force the administration into acts which would not be accepted kindly by the organized labor forces. If the president deals sternly with the workers, he will forfeit a good many of the votes he will need for a fourth term election. On the other hand, he will lose face if he permits present conditions to continue. He cannot very well slap down Lewis and the coal miners, without doing something to placate the other labor forces. He could normally, of course, squelch Lewis and then grant pay increases elsewhere, but he has already cut off that possibility by his own "hold the line" order and the "little steel" formula for wage control. The policy of granting further wage increases, in the face of avowed determination to control inflation, would doubtless result in widespread public reaction.

The nation already is restless because of administrative failure to control the labor situation. Political strength is being lost every day a settlement is delayed.

With the New Deal apparently squirming under the pressure, the buck was passed to congress, which came up with anti-strike legislation. However, the teeth were drawn from the measure and it provides few powers not already in the hands of the administration. But innocuous as the congressional act is, the presidential signature will be construed by labor as an unfriendly act, while if he permits it to become law without his signature he will be accused of dalliance. The New Deal political strategists have apparently permitted themselves to be outgeneraled by the foxy Lewis.

We presume anyone interested knows by now that we do not like the New Deal. In normal times we might take a measure of delight in the administration's dilemma. Now, however, with our soldiers fighting a war on major fronts all over the world, we do not like a political war at home. We believe the time has come to take Lewis and his ilk by the scruff of the neck and the seat of the pants and toss them bodily into internment camps along with the nazis and the eyeties and the rest of the country's enemies. At the same time the administration leaders should be made to see plainly that their job is to provide the munitions of war for our soldiers and beefsteaks for the populace and that their decisions should not be measured by any profit or loss in votes. There is plenty of time to decide the fourth term issue next year. Let's get on with the war and forget politics.

**DIAL LOG**  
 IN NEW AGAIN

By SUSAN

Believe it or not, we haven't a single program change to announce except that there will be a special program of the McNeil Island boat launching ceremonies Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock, immediately preceding the local forum, "Let's Talk It Over"—and, by the way, the forum this week should be very good. It's another discussion of the labor situation; we'll give you the discussion panel tomorrow. Pappy Penney should be back from Washington in time to act as moderator but if he doesn't get here we have someone else lined up. There will be a man here from Portland to take part in the discussion. All in all it sounds like a good argument. Earlier in the evening on Thursday, don't forget there's Eye Witness News (6:00) and "Your Date With Fort Lewis" at 7:30. No fights are scheduled for this Friday night; in fact the next one comes next week on Saturday afternoon, which is a bad time for most of the devotees of the smoozed circle, but there's nothing we can do about it. And so, since there's no news tonight as our favorite Lopez signs off—"hasta luego."

**Yoncalla**

YONCALLA, June 16 — Miss Betty Ruth Kruse left Friday for Portland where she has secured a fine position.  
 Mrs. Marian Williams of Los Angeles, Calif., arrived here Monday to spend two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Edes.  
 Corporal Walter McKirdy of Seattle, Wash., visited friends here last week.  
 Mrs. Gertrude Stoute and

daughter, Ruth, and Mrs. Mary Beate left Thursday for Portland where they hope to find work.  
 Max Dodd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dodd, arrived home Friday night, expecting to stay a week with his parents. However, on arriving home, he found a telegram from his regiment, taking him back to Sioux City, Iowa, three hours later.  
 Mr. and Mrs. D. Longbrake and daughter of Sutherby visited at the parental job home last week.  
 Mrs. L. Worman and son, Bonnie, went to Vallejo, Calif., Thursday. Mrs. Margorie Van Worman and son accompanied them.  
 Wilford Vian left Thursday for San Francisco.  
 Mrs. Ruby Norton, Mrs. Bessie Mitchell and son, Gary, of Portland spent Decoration week end visiting at the Roy Curl home.  
 Tom Westfall of Salem visited relatives here over the week end.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Vining Applegate of Portland are visiting relatives here for a few days.  
 Mr. and Mrs. George Niemi, and family of Salem visited at the Leslie Miller home last week.  
 Mrs. Will Bridges of Ribelle visited at the Emma Miller home in Hayhurst, last week en route to Portland.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bridges and daughter left Sunday to make their home in Gresham.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Harry Abbott have moved into the house left vacant by Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Victor, who have moved into the former Rebecca Campbell house, which they recently purchased.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lee have purchased the large lot and barn across the street from their home from John Kruse.  
 Captain and Mrs. Clarke and daughter and two grandchildren of Respassport spent Sunday visiting at the Fred Setton home.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chestnut of Albany spent several days last week visiting at the Sam Walkingham home.



**Lumber Control Board Creation Urged in Report**

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP)—Immediate creation of a lumber policy committee "supreme in all matters concerning lumber, such as price control, wages, production, procurement and other collateral matters" has been recommended by a house subcommittee whose chairman declared that a lumber shortage threatened to delay overseas shipment of war goods.  
 The committee, to handle all government requirements for lumber, "should be vested with authority to act on all lumber problems, subject only to the veto of the director of War Mobilization and the director of Economic Stabilization on matters that come within their respective fields," the subcommittee declared in a report.  
 Chairman Jackson of the subcommittee predicted there will be a shortage of at least 6,000,000,000 board feet of lumber by the end of 1943 for use on this year's current minimum essential requirements.  
 The estimated shortage, Jackson said, amounts to about one-fifth of the nation's annual production. No serious effort, he added, has been made to return to production 9,470 sawmills which are idle for other than seasonal reasons.  
 Jackson declared that the lumber problem has not been given sufficient recognition by chiefs of various federal agencies who are charged with its various phases. The manpower situation is bad, he said, due to the inability of the lumber industry to meet competitive wage scales under existing price ceilings.

- 7:30—State and Local News, Boring Optical.  
 7:35—Rhapsody in Wax.  
 8:00—Haven of Rest.  
 8:30—Yankee House Party.  
 9:00—Boake Carter.  
 9:15—Man About Town.  
 9:30—U. S. Navy Band.  
 10:00—Alka Seltzer News.  
 10:15—Gardener's Friend.  
 10:30—Luncheon With Lopez.  
 11:00—Freddy Martin's Orchestra.  
 11:15—Radio Bible Class with Dr. Roach, Presbyterian Church.  
 11:30—Mutual Goes Calling.  
 11:45—Rose Room, Kellogg's Cereals.  
 12:00—Interlude.  
 12:05—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer.  
 12:15—Rhythm at Random.  
 12:45—State News, Hansen Motors.  
 1:05—Musical Interlude.  
 1:15—Sweet and Sentimental.  
 1:30—Joint Recital.  
 2:00—Sheela Carter.  
 2:15—Welcome Inn.  
 2:30—The Dream House of Melody, Copco.  
 3:00—Phillip Keyne-Gordon.  
 3:15—Johnson Family.  
 3:30—Mutual's Overseas Reports.  
 3:45—Tone Poems.  
 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.  
 4:15—Dance Music.  
 4:30—Quaker City Serenade.  
 4:45—Musical Scoreboard.  
 5:00—Moods in Music.  
 5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pop.  
 5:30—Highway Patrol.  
 5:45—Norman Nesbitt with the News, Studebaker.  
 6:00—Eye-Witness News, Copco.  
 6:15—Faces and Places.  
 6:30—Harmony Hall.  
 7:00—Raymond Clapper, White Owl.

**News of Men**  
 From Douglas County  
 In War Service

Word has been received here that Ivan Hatfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Hatfield, of this city, has been sent to Camp Abbott at Bend with a large group of juniors in the engineering school of Oregon State college, for army training. He has been assigned to the 52nd engineer battalion.  
 Second Lieutenant Joseph L. Blanchard, of Glendale, was recently graduated from the United States marine corps reserve officers' school at Quantico, Virginia. He is now scheduled to be assigned to a combat organization, or a specialist school.

- 7:15—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.  
 7:20—Musical Interlude.  
 7:30—Your Date With Fort Lewis.  
 8:00—McNeil Island Boat Launching Ceremonies.  
 8:30—Let's Talk It Over, Lockwood Motors.  
 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.  
 9:15—Round-Up in the Sky, E. G. High, Insurance.  
 9:30—Uncle Sam.  
 9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.  
 10:00—Sign off.

**MUSIC DIRECTOR**

**HORIZONTAL**  
 1 Pictured musician.  
 15 Refractory.  
 16 Rower.  
 17 Greek letter.  
 18 Symbol for erbium.  
 19 Either.  
 20 Appropriate.  
 21 Made more decorative.  
 23 Any.  
 25 Swain (abbr.).  
 26 Type of moth.  
 28 Cries (abbr.).  
 30 Cudgel.  
 32 Aver.  
 34 Prince sodium.  
 35 Person of long experience.  
 36 Earth.  
 37 Chinese memorial.  
 38 Editor (abbr.).  
 39 New Testament (abbr.).  
 40 Compass point.  
 41 Opus (abbr.).  
 43 Simple substance.  
 49 Winglike part.  
 51 Morindin dye.  
 52 Symbol for barium.  
 53 Rhine Island (abbr.).  
 54 Mordant (abbr.).  
 56 Reform substance.  
 59 Of Iberia.  
 62 He is famous 10 (pl.).

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**  
 W A R H A W K T U N I S T I A  
 A D E D E N A G E S I R  
 L E T T O N E U L E E L M  
 K N I T D E I T Y A L E S  
 N A G C U R T I S S A L A  
 P A T I O D O L A N C E  
 A N A R D O A S T A A  
 L A T H E W A R H A W K  
 H A C H I N A A T  
 S H E H O O D O O S S O B  
 N O C A L L T R O T D O  
 O N A L O E E T C H O R  
 W E A P O N S D A S Y U R E

**VERTICAL**  
 1 Exalt.  
 2 Soak flax.  
 3 Former Russian ruler.  
 4 Note in music.  
 5 Guide's scale.  
 6 Nova Scotia (abbr.).  
 12 Mohammedan priest.  
 13 Short sleep (abbr.).  
 14 Interest (abbr.).  
 15 Right (abbr.).  
 22 Remote.  
 23 Decree.  
 24 Titled.  
 25 Severe.  
 27 Indian.  
 28 Set of opinions adhered to.  
 29 Leather thong.  
 31 Weight of India.  
 32 Snake.  
 33 Skiff.  
 34 Meccasins.  
 41 Laysman.  
 45 Man's name.  
 46 Wife of Geraint in Arthurian legend.  
 47 Babylonian god of wisdom.  
 48 Group of three.  
 49 Limb.  
 50 Rumanian coin.  
 54 Boat paddle.  
 53 Abstract being.  
 57 Symbol for lithium.  
 58 Alternate current (abbr.).  
 60 Out of (prefix).  
 61 Right (abbr.).

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**Important Fruit Crops Will Show Declines in 1943**

WASHINGTON, June 14.—(AP)—Grape, prune and plum production this year should not vary greatly from the 1942 yield, the crop reporting board said yesterday, but a sharp drop in the output of apricots seems likely.  
 In California, the board said, growing conditions for grapes indicate good crops for wine, raisin and table varieties.  
 Production of dried prunes there was expected to be about 191,000 tons, or 12 per cent above last year. The yield of plums is expected to fall off 10 per cent from last year, or to about 65,000 tons. The California apricot yield this year is estimated at 89,000 tons, compared with 204,000 last year.  
 Idaho prunes were rated as only 36 per cent of normal compared with 54 per cent last year.  
 The condition of prunes in eastern Washington and Oregon on June 1 indicates much smaller crops in those areas than last year, but in the western sections of those states the outlook was reported for substantially greater production than in 1942.  
 Prospective apricot production in Washington was given as 15,400 tons, 27 per cent below last year. In Utah, however, an estimated yield of 8,200 tons was compared with the light crop of 3,100 tons in 1942.

**Fewer Cherries Forecast**  
 Production of cherries of all varieties in 12 states where the fruit is commercially grown is estimated at 166,640 tons, 15 per cent less than last year.  
 The department said the yield of sweet varieties is expected to total 76,350 tons, 16 per cent less than last year, while production of "sour" is indicated to be 90,290 tons, 14 per cent less than 1942.  
 The indicated production of all varieties by states, giving the 1942 yield and the indicated 1943 crop, in tons, includes: Idaho, 1,910 and 1,180; Washington, 40,900 and 31,300; Oregon, 20,800 and 21,600; and California, 33,000 and 19,300.

**Reduction in Peas**  
 Pea production in 1943 will be 24,290,000 bushels, 21 per cent less than the 1942 crop, the Agriculture department estimated. Short crops are in prospect for most sections other than the Pacific coast states, where the indicated production is only nine per cent below last year.  
 Production figures in bushels for principal producing states in 1942 and the estimate for 1943 showed: Washington, 6,675,000 and 5,842,000; Oregon, 4,328,000 and 3,070,000; California, 9,751,000 and 10,042,000.

**Apples Under Average**  
 The department reported that the condition of the commercial apple crop on June 1 averaged below the condition on that date last year. The average this year is 62 per cent compared with 68 per cent of normal on June 1 last year.  
 Conditions in June 2, 1942 and 1943, respectively, were reported for Washington as 79 and 67 per cent, Oregon, 72 and 68 and California 55 and 75.

hungry contemplation in his eyes.  
 Mrs. McCollum examined his identification tag, crated him and shipped him to his Oakland owner.

**Two Ten-Round Bouts On Portland's Card**  
 PORTLAND, June 16.—(AP)—Joe Kahut, Woodburn light-heavy-weight, will meet Lou Pitts, Pittsburgh, instead of Big Boy Hogue in a ten-round boxing bout here Friday night.  
 Matchmaker Joe Waterman announced the change with the explanation that Hogue would be unable to get in shape for the fight by Friday.  
 Waterman also announced the remainder of the card, which includes another ten-rounder, between welterweights Jimmy Garrison, Kansas City, and Cleo McNeal, Cleveland.

**TEAM STANDINGS and LATEST SCORES**  
 (By the Associated Press)

COAST		
Los Angeles	43	15 741
San Francisco	35	22 614
San Diego	31	29 517
Oakland	27	31 468
Hollywood	27	32 458
Portland	26	32 448
Seattle	22	35 386
Sacramento	21	36 368

**RESULTS YESTERDAY:**  
 Los Angeles 9, Oakland 6.  
 San Francisco 6, Hollywood 4.  
 San Diego 11, Seattle 0.  
 Sacramento 8, Portland 0.

**AMERICAN**

New York	28	17 422
Washington	26	23 531
Detroit	23	21 523
Philadelphia	26	24 520
Chicago	19	22 463
Boston	23	27 460
Cleveland	21	26 447
St. Louis	18	24 429

**RESULTS YESTERDAY:**  
 Philadelphia 7-4, Boston 4-2.  
 New York 6, Washington 5.  
 St. Louis 5, Chicago 2.  
 Detroit-Cleveland, postponed.

**NATIONAL**

St. Louis	31	15 670
Brooklyn	31	21 596
Cincinnati	24	22 522
Pittsburgh	24	22 522
Philadelphia	23	23 509
Boston	20	23 465
New York	18	30 375
Chicago	16	31 340

**Wheat Sale Increase Given F. R.'s Approval**  
 WASHINGTON, June 15.—(AP)—Legislation authorizing the sale for feed purposes of 50,000,000 additional bushels of government-held wheat has been signed by President Roosevelt.  
 The sale was recommended by J. B. Hutson, president of the Commodity Credit corporation, who wrote Chairman Fuimer of the house agriculture committee that "the need for wheat for feed is particularly critical at this time while the volume of corn moving off farms is at seasonally low levels."  
 Under the legislation the authorized amount of sales was raised from 225,000,000 to 275,000,000.

**Racing Pigeon Finishes Contest in Crate**  
 OAKLAND, Calif., June 16.—(AP)—Elmer, a racing pigeon, finished a race from Klamath Falls, Ore., to Oakland yesterday in fine condition—in a crate.  
 Owned by John H. Fitzmaurice of Oakland, he started the race with the other entries, but a few blocks from the takeoff he dropped in on Mrs. Martha McCollum of Klamath Falls. She thought he was lost, fed him and turned him loose. But in a few minutes he was back, perched on a window sill and with a look of

**Fifth 0-0 Game Hurdled By Portland Schoolboy**  
 PORTLAND, June 16.—(AP)—Husky Don Johnson, schoolboy knockout king, hurled his fifth in fine condition—in a crate.  
 His American Legion junior baseball team, Albina, defeated Commerce 11-0, playing errorless ball as Johnson struck out 14. Two others of his no-hitters were scored in Legion baseball and two in Portland high school play.