

Nazis Vie for Arabs' Favor

Iraq-Haifa Oil Pipeline Is Prize Contended for With Britain

LONDON, April 20.—(AP)—German agents are reported in London to be dangling gold and promises before Arab tribal leaders south of the Transjordan border in attempts to stir up desert revolt.

The game they are trying is the one Lawrence of Arabia played and won for England in the last war. The immediate prize is the pipeline that carries the black blood of modern warfare from Iraq to Haifa, the chief oil supply within the allied countries.

Moslems Support Frited
Beside this thousand miles of iron tubing that takes fuel to the Mediterranean fleet and allied armies is the juicy plum of Moslem support. Revolt in the Mohammedan world of 25,000,000 stretching from India to the Atlantic at Morocco could break the British and French empires of the near east.

Britons are confident they will thwart any German-backed revolt because they hold a near-eastern trump—an Englishman with a scar on his chin and a host of Bedouin fighters at his back. In the records in London he is listed as Major John Glubb, organizer of the desert patrol of the Arab legion; but in the hot brown hills of Transjordan, tribesmen with fighting on their minds about him proudly as Abu Heinkeel—the man with the jaw, the uncrowned prince of Arabia.

Dons Lawrence's Shoes
He has stepped into Lawrence's shoes to keep the Arabs on British side—the same job with a new twist.

This time it is Britain that is on the defensive in the Near East. But the British feel that their position is far stronger than was that of the Turks, against whom Lawrence stirred the Arabs to rebellion 25 years ago.

No effort has been spared to consolidate the influence over Mohammedan countries that came to Britain and France with the breakup of the old Turkish empire at the end of the last war.

Now a treaty with her former enemy, Turkey, and concessions to Arabs in racial strife with Jews over dominance in the Holy land have given Britain a strong political hand.

Australian, New Zealand, French, British, Indian, Turkish and Egyptian troops are on guard along the coasts.

Desert Troops Closed
Key men such as Major Glubb have closed desert back doors against tribal uprisings.

The scar on his chin that makes him John Heinkeel—the man with the jaw—among Arabs came from a wound in the last war.

They call him a great fighter—a reputation he won when he coordinated Iraq and Bedouin tribes in 1916 and led the fight against marauding bands from Saudi Arabia to the south.

Backing him up was partly Emir Abdullah Bin Hussein, now ruler of Transjordan and onetime comrade of Lawrence. Abdullah's brother Faisal was Lawrence's Arabian right-hand man.

The word of Major Glubb is law over the desert. Great sheiks and humble herdsmen travel for days from remote oases to pay him their respects.

Regalia
It is an honor for an Arab to belong to the camel-mounted desert patrol. They get to wear a bright Galabieh with long white sleeves, a scarlet cloak, and a gay kaffeh (hat) and agal (rope crown) on their heads.

The British major is quiet, studious, slender, stoop-shouldered. He speaks Arabic much better than Lawrence did. He has the same psychic insight into Arab character.

Most important, camel herdsmen from Amman to Egypt tell

"Centennial Syncopators" Make Debut



Garbed, named and aimed at advertising Salem's 1940 Centennial celebration these "Centennial Syncopators" will make one of their first appearances as boosters of the fête when they play tonight at the banquet of the Oregon Amateur Radio association convention at the Marlon hotel. They are: Back row, left to right, Sid Mansfield, violin; Bob DePrez, piano; Dick Nicholson, master of ceremonies; and Bill Braasch, guitar; front row, John Short, mandolin; Lois Cheney, banjo, and Charles Steteville, harmonica. Chet Douglas, harmonica player, was not present when picture was taken. All are employees of Sears, Roebuck and company here.—Photo by Baillie.

Relative Finnish Losses High

By MAX HARRELSON
HELSINKI, April 20.—(AP)—Imagine, if you can, some great catastrophe in which 500,000 of the best men in the United States were killed and another 3,000,000 wounded.

Try to picture 20,000,000 suddenly made homeless, 400,000 widows, about 1,000,000 orphans. Suppose five of the richest agricultural and industrial states had to be given up and imagine property damage to \$1,600,000,000 in the remaining states.

These figures appear fantastic, but they are an index of what happened in this little country of 3,500,000 during the three and one-half months of war with soviet Russia. They are Finland's losses multiplied by 40 to put them in ratio to the United States population.

Finland lost eight times as many men in the brief war with Russia as the United States lost during the entire World war.

Ten per cent of the entire population was under arms and almost as many more were in auxiliary services as civil defense.

Some idea of the cost of the war can be obtained from an official summary given by the government. The report said:

\$25,000 Left Homeless
"Five hundred and twenty-five thousand are homeless because of the territory ceded—about 10 per cent of Finland. The evacuees saved an insignificant part of their possessions. Sixty-four thousand bombs were dropped; 122 brick houses destroyed, 364 damaged; 1,460 wooden houses destroyed, 2,619 damaged; four churches burned down and five

each other over coffee in their camel hair tents that Emir Abdullah has sworn by the Koran—*God and for God*—that the blood of his men will flow with that of Englishmen to keep Germans out of the hills.

Traffic Accident Analysis Is Made

More than half of Portland's traffic accidents in March occurred in business areas but 66 per cent of the fatal mishaps were in residential districts, the secretary of state's office reported yesterday. Eighty-three per cent of the city's fatal accidents occurred at intersections. Only two of them took place in daylight.

For the first three months of 1940, Portland traffic deaths totaled 26 compared to 18 for the first quarter in 1939 or an increase of 44 per cent. For the same period, deaths in the state outside Portland totaled 53 for 1940 compared to 57 a year ago, a decrease of nearly 10 per cent. Sixty-five per cent of the Portland fatalities for the first quarter were pedestrians and 76 per cent of the pedestrians killed were over 55 years of age.

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Utility Value Is Cut Over Million

Condemnation Trial First in Northwest Since PUDs Formed

TAOOMA, April 19.—(AP)—A purchase price of \$6,911,556 was set Friday by a federal court jury on Washington Gas and Electric company properties condemned in the Longview-Ryderwood region by public utility district number one of Cowlitz county.

The company had maintained during the 13½ week trial that the properties were worth \$7,590,000. The PUD had claimed they were worth \$3,350,000.

The case, first condemnation trial brought against a private utility since PUD districts were formed in the northwest was considered "yardstick" for future condemnation negotiations between public and private power interests.

The PUD can decline to buy the properties. E. K. Murray, PUD counsel, said any announcement concerning what action would be taken would have to be made by the Cowlitz county PUD commissioners.

The six men and six women jurors returned the verdict at 2:31 p. m. They began consideration of the case last Wednesday at 10:53 a. m.

The jury placed a price of \$6,922,556 on Washington Gas and Electric company properties and set the value of the company's subsidiary, the Columbia Electric Development company, at \$38,950.

Liquor Store for Japanese Refused

PORTLAND, April 20.—(AP)—Clinging to its policy of reducing the number of liquor agencies, the state liquor control commission today refused a Japanese Association of Oregon for a Japanese outlet.

Two agencies in Japanese stores here recently were withdrawn. Several white business men supported the appeal of Japanese, who said many of their 5000 countrymen in the state spoke no English and could not trade in regular stores.

The commission scoffed at the contention that the present "unpleasant international situation" might cause closure of the stores to be constructed as action against the Japanese.

Several other agencies, Chairman Lloyd Wentworth said, are being closed to "centralize sales of hard liquor in state stores where the volume of business justifies."

Need of Economy In Schools Cited

PORTLAND, Ore., April 20.—(AP)—School systems are suffering from a "morning after headache" aftermath of spending spree of the 1930's, Portland School Director William J. MacKenzie told the Pacific Northwest Public School Business Officials' association last night.

He declared it was up to the business leaders of school districts to "tell the community as well as the educator that we cannot afford more than we can pay for."

The association picked Seattle for the 1941 meeting.

Van Duser Officer of Group Opposed to PUD
PORTLAND, April 20.—(AP)—H. B. Van Duser, former state highway commission chairman, was elected as vice chairman of a citizens' committee opposing formation of a Portland public utility district.

Scouts of troop eight were guests of Kenneth A. Murphy last Friday night at a party. This party was held for the scouts as a token of their cooperation with him in their merit badge booth in the merit badge exposition of troop eight.

Well, scouts it is time to start planning on Camp Pioneer. Camp starts on June 30 and there is not much time left before registration time for the camp is all over.

There will be two regular periods of camp of two weeks each and then a one week troop camp between the two regular periods. If it is possible it would be a swell idea for your troop to go to troop camp.

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How Does Your Garden Grow?

By LILLIE L. MADSEN
Answers to Inquiries:
IRIS:
Leaf spot shows with small brown spots on the leaves. Might be said to resemble rust. This disease has become more and more prevalent in local gardens. The fungus lives over the winter in the foliage. All foliage should be cut back at once to within a few inches of the ground and cuttings should be burned.

Lime and superphosphate should be worked into the soil around the plants.

If your iris leaves turn brown and rot off work gypsum into the soil. The bacillus rot will also affect the irises, turning the leaves yellow. But in this disease the roots also rot. One should, in this disease, dig up and burn all affected plants. However, if the disease is slight and you particularly wish to keep these varieties, sprinkle the rhizomes with fine sulphur. Every 10 days, until blooming season is past water with a solution of semison. Lime and superphosphate should be worked into the soil. If the disease is not checked by late June, lift the roots, scrape off decayed parts and dip them in a solution of semison using tablespoonful to gallon of water.

It seems that all of these diseases are augmented by wet winters and springs. This is just another indication of how very important perfect drainage is in the iris bed.

To those who have inquired about the Cooley gardens at Silverton: Only the very early irises are in bloom. Lilacs will be at their best on April 21 and the public is invited to come see them.

Narcissus Need Care
Again, as in the case of the iris, it is well to dig up and burn all narcissus whose foliage begins to shrivel and die. When you have done this, disinfect the soil with formaldehyde before replanting in it. But if you won't do this, cut off the affected foliage and burn it. Water with semison solutions, and in early July, lift the bulbs, soak bulbs for two hours in the semison solution of one tablespoonful to a gallon of water, and then plant in a fresh soil.

But the bulb fly when its worm begins to develop will also turn the leaves of the narcissus yellow and withering. Dig up one of the affected bulbs, cut it open and investigate for the worm. The fly lays her eggs at the base of the leaves. Spraying with a lead arsenate solution sometimes helps. Of course, the hot water treatment is advised by most growers. To do this, you submerge the bulbs in water kept at 110 degrees for 2½ hours. Plunge them into cold water as soon as taken from the hot water.

FANIGES: bulbs soak bulbs for two hours in the semison solution of one tablespoonful to a gallon of water, and then plant in a fresh soil.

These flowers, native of East-gate United States, which were here in the Willamette valley in an acid soil is provided. In their native location they grow quite frequently in a rocky woodland of cone-bearing trees. The hepatica does not require nearly as acid a soil as does the arbutus. I have a number of hepaticas doing rather well here under a cherry tree. They are just now finishing their blooming period which they began in early February. I have mixed considerable sand and leaf

large-flowered varieties sell from 50c to \$1 a dozen. Pansies like a good rich, loamy loam.

Sweet Peas Efficacy
That anthracnose is affecting your sweet peas, Mrs. D. R. would be my guess. This causes the tips of the plants to turn white and die. It will prevent the peas from blooming. Control measures include soaking seed in five per cent formaldehyde and spray the plants with Bordeaux. Cut off the diseased parts, or better yet, pull up and burn the plant.

BOTRYTIS ROT:
Wet, cool weather hastens the growth of this fungus disease in the lily bed. It has been particularly bad in the madonna lily beds this season. Large stems have completely rotted off.

Spray with Bordeaux every 10 days of the growing season. Pick up and burn all dead leaves. Dig some of the Bordeaux in the soil about the crown of the plants. This is particularly effective when rain removes the spray faster than you can put it on.

ASTERS:
G. C.—Do not plant asters again this spring in the same location as that in which you planted them last year. Be sure you buy from a reliable dealer who will give you only healthy plants. Then before you set out the plants treat the soil by soaking it with a solution of one tablespoonful of semison to one gallon of water. This aster wilt is a fungus disease which seems to attack very small plants and aster plants just as they come into bloom.

Black Blister Beetle
This is the so-called aster beetle. It also feeds on marigolds. Spray the flowers with black leaf 40, using one teaspoonful to a gallon. Add a cubic inch of soap to each gallon of water to make the solution stick. This, by the way, if used every ten days will also take care of the leaf-hopper which gives asters the "yellows".

There are definite times, E. D., which are, as I have said before, "proper planting time," but transplanting can be done quite successfully at most times if proper care is taken. If there is no particular reason to do the transplanting at any but the correct time, then follow the prescribed order. However, if it is a matter of now-or-never, I'd certainly choose the "now" no matter what time it is. Have you read Charles Gibbs Adams' "Gardens for the Stars"? That gives you some idea of what transplanting really can be done when one sets a mind to it. It is a most interestingly written article about gardening on a big scale. But it gives the small gardener something to think about.

TRAILING ARBUTUS AND HEPATICA:
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