

Thoroughness Decides Battle

Radio Control of Planes, Tanks, Even Infantry Noted by Lochner

(Editor's note: In the following story, written for the special news service of The Associated Press and The Oregon Statesman, Louis P. Lochner, famous war correspondent, gives his explanation of why Germany is winning the war in France so rapidly. This is one of a series of stories he is writing on his experiences and observations with the German army.)

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER
BERLIN — (Correspondence of The Associated Press) — The question I have been asked most frequently since returning from four trips to the zone of operations in the west is:

"How do you explain Germany's military success?"

Though all of these trips were undertaken since the start of the great offensive May 10, invariably I must point out that I am no military expert. My views simply are those of an observing layman.

Yet it seems to me certain facts are obvious to anyone who, like myself, could move freely among the troops, go to the very front lines, see what the retreating armies left behind and how they left it, and talk to prisoners of war.

In a nutshell, it can be stated that perhaps no nation ever was prepared more completely, more scientifically and with greater attention to detail than was Germany. Strategy also played a leading role.

Higher Explosives
Beyond that Germany had the dreaded stukas (dive-bombers), weapons for which the allied powers apparently had no match. It also seems German shells and bombs were filled with explosives more effective than anything the world had seen.

I shall try to develop more concretely various ideas gathered during my visits to the front:

Take, for instance, Germany's system of communications. Various officers agreed in telling me that, during the gigantic tank fights, every Nazi tank was connected with the surrounding ones and with the airforce above by wireless.

This meant that the stukas' descent to the scene of a tank battle could be timed in such a way that the bombs fell at the critical moment and onto the allied tank most dangerous to the German force.

During artillery duels, such as that which preceded the fall of Dunkerque, I noticed German scouting planes directed the Nazi artillery fire by wireless. The French, on the other hand, seemed content to fire anti-aircraft guns at the German planes.

Communications also were maintained between the stukas and the lightning-like "blue devils" infantry on motor cycles which emitted a special smoke making them practically invisible, and I understand, though I did not happen to see it myself, that even the infantry on foot had soldiers with earphones and radio equipment communicating as they marched along.

Reinforcement Plan Works
The German army stressed not only technical communication, but attached equal importance to connections with the rear. One of the strongest impressions I took with me from each trip was the smooth functioning of the reinforcement system.

Each unit's route of march and distance to be covered was stated precisely. On many occasions soldiers told me they had not slept for several days.

"We know that if we don't arrive at such-and-such a place, our comrades will be left in the lurch while those following us will have their plans upset," they said. "There's only one thing to do—get where we have been ordered to go."

Among the more important organizations insuring the safe movement of reserves were the so-called "OT" men—battalions of road and bridge-building experts who, in peace times, work under Inspector General Fritz Todt on Hitler's automobile super-highways.

Whenever we followed the advancing army, we were sure to find "OT" men ahead of us—repairing bridges, filling up holes on airfields, clearing roads of obstacles.

Equally ever-present were German ambulances, ready to take care of the wounded immediately. Another organization much in evidence was the Nazi Welfare League, with soup kitchens, huge stacks of bread and other edibles for civilian populations.

An impressive thing to me was not only the fact that the general front, in preparing for this war, had thought of the most minute detail, but that all organizations, whether military or civilian, dovetailed their activities so effectively.

They're Paying for Their Army Training



Ciad in dungarees, anything but form-fitting, the first batch of businessmen to arrive at Plattsburg, N. Y., for army training is shown (top) marching off to their tents. They are some of seven hundred civilians who paid \$48.50 for a thirty-day training course under army conditions. Bottom, "recruits" are served by Winthrop Rockefeller, oil scion, who "won" a kitchen police detail.

News from Summer Camps

By ERIC FITZSIMONS
SILVER FALLS Y CAMP, July 11.—Excitement prevailed at the Bear creek cabins Monday night after campfire when Murray Wade stumbled upon a rat in the wash-room. The rat proved to be a hardy individual, however, because in spite of a severe beating by Murray, he managed to make good his escape. Murray got his revenge on the rodent a few days later, when he discovered a rat's nest on top of the shower cloth, and with the aid of Phil Jans and "Deacon" Fitzsimmons succeeded in knocking it down and burning it up.

Jack Aansen is being teased about his fear of the Gooegenheim boys, and though Jack firmly declares that he is not, the fact remains that one of the boys in his cabin woke up this morning and was startled to find Jack in bed with him.

Unit hikes seem to be the popular thing, with practically all the camp units going on a trip of several miles. The "Deacon" and Murray Wade, LaVerne Jackson and Doug Yeater took a short hike up the Bear creek trail and spent the afternoon picking huckleberries. They returned with enough berries to make a number of pies, and about Wednesday morning when the pies are ready to eat, there will probably be a number of campers hungrily looking at them and wishing that they had accompanied the berry picking detail.

Camp Director Fred Smith was recently seen burning a nest of wasps out of the showerhouse and a little unexpected excitement developed when the fly spray which he was also using was ignited by the torch, and the wall of the showerhouse caught fire in one spot. Fred soon proved that he was master of the situation, however, when he yanked off his shirt and put out the fire before it could gain any headway. A few smoke-stained shingles are the only remaining bits of evidence.

Jim Cole, the long-awaited leader, finally surprised everyone in camp by arriving during the noon meal.

"Pop" Cray told a thrilling story entitled "The Mysterious Sweet Potato," at the campfire last night, and when he had finished Earl Cooley, Hal Cuffel and several of the other campers looked a bit pale. A quiet made up of Bob Smith, Tom Medley, Wayne Hauser, Norman Hinges and Bob Schunke entertained the camp with a number entitled "Billy the Goat."

Softball seems to be in the air.

Sugar Beet Tour Is Set for Today

ALBANY — Starting from the high school building in Jefferson at 9 o'clock this morning, Linn county farmers who are interested in sugar beet production will have an opportunity of visiting various farms where the owners are at present majoring in this product. The tour will be under the supervision of County Agent F. C. Mallen.

At the present time there are approximately 300 acres of sugar beets being grown in the Willamette valley, with most of the crop being either on Linn county farms or adjacent to Linn county.

The tour will include visits to the farms of Aden Chambers, George Potts, Jake Gilmore, Nelson Gilmore, Charles Lamb, and E. C. Heims during the forenoon. Following luncheon a visit will be made to the farm of Robert Carter in Benton county, the College Experiment station farm in Linn county, the farm of Frank Kropp near Harriessburg, and the Gein Strome farm in Lane county.

Rev. Stewart Relected Free Methodist Elder
PORTLAND, July 11.—(AP)—The Rev. R. J. Stewart was relected elder at the Free Methodist church's 44th annual session. The Rev. E. Lee of Calapooia was chosen secretary and the Rev. Clayton Green of Springfield, assistant secretary.

Will File Suit Against Pullman

Separation of Manufacture and Operation of Cars Is Aim

WASHINGTON, July 11.—(AP)—The Justice department announced tonight that it would file in Philadelphia district court tomorrow a civil action against the Pullman companies and 31 individuals, including outstanding financial leaders, in an effort to divorce control of sleeping car manufacture from operation of the equipment.

Among those whom the department said would be named are J. Pierpont Morgan, Richard K. Mellon, Sewell Avery, Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., Harold S. Vanderbilt, George Whitney, C. W. Seabury, H. S. Morgan, all directors of one or more of the companies.

The complaint will charge, the department said in a statement, that the Pullman companies "have refused to operate modern light-weight railroad equipment purchased by the railroads from any manufacturer other than the Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing company, and have threatened to withdraw the existing sleeping car service and operations if railroads should buy and operate themselves any cars made by other manufacturers."

The statement said further that the organization through its operating monopoly "charges the public artificial and unreasonably high prices for pullman accommodations, and exacts non-competitive and onerous terms from railroads for the sleeping car service which it provides."

McKinney Clan To Have Picnic

SILVERTON—The McKinney Pioneer clan will hold its annual reunion Sunday in the Silvertown city park.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Herr, Delores and Gordon plan to leave during the weekend for Streeter, ND, where they will visit his mother, Mrs. Chris Zeeb. They will be gone five weeks.

Mrs. Phil Caplan of Lincoln, Neb., and Mrs. Pearl Sterns of Cambridge, Neb., arrived at Silvertown Tuesday to visit their sister, Alta Hewitt Lucht. Mrs. Lucht's son, Melvin, who arrived here for the Fourth will leave Monday for Ingleswood, Calif., where he is employed. Marvin Jensen, who has also been vacationing here, will return with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bradshaw are the parents of a 7 1/2 pound son, John Francis, born Sunday night at the Salem Deaconess hospital.

The Young People's club, numbering 20 members, held a picnic Sunday at Silver Creek falls.

Willkie in Favor Of Finishing Dam

PORTLAND, Ore., July 11.—(AP)—Wendell L. Willkie, republican presidential nominee, favors completion of Bonneville and Grand Coulee dams, Walter L. Toose, chairman of Oregon GOP delegates, said today.

The republican candidate also wants to see rural electrification extended and the widest use of power possible. Toose added, "The only difference he proposed was to put men in control who know the utility business rather than politicians." Toose continued. He said the question had been "put directly up to Willkie."

Churches Will Join in Mass Meeting On Final Day of Centennial; Baxter To Speak; Pageant Chorus to Sing

Every church in Salem is making extensive plans for the final day of the Centennial, Sunday, August 4.

"This day will be observed as a grand finale to the Centennial," said C. A. Kells, chairman of the religious department committee yesterday.

In the morning each church is planning a special home-coming program. There will be a mass meeting of all churches at the fairgrounds grandstand that night. The committee has selected Dr. Bruce Baxter as main speaker. Along with this will be special features including the Centennial chorus under the direction of Trjo Koski.

Surrounding cities have been contacted by leaders and have been asked to participate in the evening service. Along with this evening program will be some special features adapting the pioneer religious setting.

The general committee includes: chairman, C. A. Kells; Rev. Guy Drill, Rev. David Ringland and Don Douris. The speakers committee consists of Rev. Irvin W. Williams. On the home-coming committee are Rev. Dean Foxdexter and Rev. Irving A. Fox.

Kerosene Lamp Ignites Curtain

AUMSVILLE—The living room window curtains in the home of Mrs. Anna Downing, an elderly woman living alone, were ignited Tuesday night from a kerosene lamp. Neighbors saw the blaze which lit up the living room and rushed to the rescue. Firemen responded also, and the blaze was soon extinguished causing a small damage.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bradshaw are the parents of a 7 1/2 pound son, John Francis, born Sunday night at the Salem Deaconess hospital.

The Young People's club, numbering 20 members, held a picnic Sunday at Silver Creek falls.

Named Captain of Port of Astoria

SEATTLE, July 11.—(AP)—District coast guard headquarters here today received word of the appointment at Washington of Lieut.-Comdr. F. D. Higbee to be captain of the port as Astoria, Ore., in furtherance of plans for closer supervision over all vessels requiring port clearances. Commander Higbee commands the cutter Onondaga, based at Astoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Stias E. Johnson, whose husband died June 20 while leading hay, is preparing to move to Harriessburg to make her home near her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Warren and family.

Adjudication not To Affect Users

Water Commission, Woolen Mills and Paper Mill Have Oldest Rights

Adjudication of water rights in the Santiam and the mill stream, supplied from the Santiam, now being carried on by the state engineer will have little or no effect on rights enjoyed since 1856 by the Salem water commission, the Thomas Kay Woolen mills and the Oregon Pulp & Paper company.

Ten rights held by the three principal Salem users of mill stream water were granted by territorial enactment, Walter E. Keyes, attorney representing the users, said yesterday, and are the oldest rights involved. City Attorney Lawrence N. Brown is working with Keyes.

Original litigation began between the Porter estate at Aumsville and the Willamette Valley Irrigation company over water rights in the Santiam and was referred to the state engineer, who found it necessary to adjudicate all rights in both streams to settle the issue.

Says NW Lacking In Defense Items

PORTLAND, July 11.—(AP)—Ivan Bloch, Bonnaville market development director, warned the institute of northwest affairs that the northwest's industries were inadequate for a national emergency.

The region is dependent upon eastern manufacturers for everything but airplanes, he said, and transportation in the ship building and munitions industries is handicapped by the vulnerability of the Panama canal.

Moving to Harriessburg

DAYTON—Mrs. Stias E. Johnson, whose husband died June 20 while leading hay, is preparing to move to Harriessburg to make her home near her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Warren and family.

List of Swimmers Doubled Thursday

400 now Enrolled at Two Pools; Instruction Staff Enlarged

Registration in Salem's seventh annual "Learn to Swim" campaign yesterday exactly doubled Wednesday's, with exceptional increases reported in beginners' classes at both Leslie and Olinger pools.

Total registration yesterday was 400, Olinger reporting 206 and Leslie 194. The girls beginners class at Olinger jumped from 13 to 67 and the boys' from 27 to 66. Addition of a class of 12 girls from the state training school for girls also swelled Leslie's total. This class will meet twice a week over an extended period.

Increased registration caused the addition of Wilmer McDowell, Red Cross water safety instructor, to the Olinger staff. Added also were volunteer instructors, including Lois Pittenger at Olinger and Herbert Rae, Robert Mack, Robert Neimeyer and Bill Close at Leslie.

Silver Falls Is Scene of Picnic

CENTRAL HOWELL—Mr. and Mrs. John Tweed with their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook of Portland, spent Sunday at Silver Creek falls. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jans, Mrs. Norman Kolla and Norma Mae and Mrs. Elisen Westphal and John were in the party.

Work on the basement of a new house which Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Aubrey plan to build is progressing.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Jans and Carol spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Jans. They drove to Silver Creek falls recreation camp to get Lyle, Junior, and a friend who had spent a week there.

Body Is Recovered, Clackamas River

OREGON CITY, July 11.—(AP)—A man tentatively identified as Leroy Martin Patrick, 32, of Portland, was found drowned in the Clackamas river today by swimmers diving from a float.

Sam Hartman and Glenn Woods, both of Portland, recovered the body after Hartman saw it lying on the bottom. The accident occurred on a swimming beach near Gladstone.



"Honey, We Sure Picked A Swell Time To Buy Our New Dodge"

"We got a big, beautiful car...and it cost only a few dollars more than smaller, low-priced cars!"

ALL over the country, smart buyers are purchasing the Dodge Luxury Liner at today's low prices!

For just a few dollars more than the smaller, low-priced cars, Dodge is giving new thousands the beauty and luxury of more expensive cars!

Think of it! Dodge gives you the riding comfort of a full 119 1/2-inch wheelbase...the luxury of Dodge's chair-height seats, wider both front and rear...the beauty of gorgeous upholstery and magnificent appointments!

But Dodge value goes beyond beauty and luxury! In Dodge, and Dodge alone, you get the gas and oil economy and the dependability for which Dodge has long been famous! You get the advantages of Dodge longer car life, low-cost upkeep, and high trade-in value—advantages that mean money in your pocket!

If you haven't inspected the year's biggest car value, drive around to your Dodge dealer's today! Ask for an appraisal on your present car. Very likely it will cover the full down-payment on a beautiful new Dodge Luxury Liner—balance on easy budget terms. Don't wait! See your Dodge dealer right away!

Prices subject to change without notice!

DODGE...Today's Biggest Car Value!

High at Chemeketa "On the Corner" Byers-Miller Motor Co., Independence, Oregon

Hubbard Motor Company Phone 4119 Salem, Oregon

Clarke-Shepherd Motor Co., Silvertown, Oregon

Red Cross Will Close Solicitation On July 20; French Are Lacking Food

Marion county Red Cross chapter will close its solicitation for war relief funds on July 20, Milton L. Meyers, drive chairman, announced yesterday.

Meyers urged that contributions be increased by those who have not already donated to the relief fund. The county's quota is still \$1500 short, he said.

More than 9,000,000 refugees who fled German domination and are now lodged in French-controlled territory are facing a terrifying food shortage for themselves and their children unless agencies such as the American Red Cross can supply them, according to Richard Allen, Red Cross representative stationed in southern France.

Meyers declared that the Red Cross was making certain that none of the food supplies it is sending to Europe would fall into German hands and not be used for relief of war refugees.

Says Champion Golfer Joe Plunk,
Whose playing at first was the bunk:
"Since I've stuck to RAINIER
For my 19th Hole CHEER,
My scores have amazingly shrunk!"

Rainier BEER & ALE
RAINIER BREWING COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO
Bill Davis, Distributor
Salem

IT'S TREMENDOUS THIS BEER watch.