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"No Favor Sways Us, No Fear Shall Awe"
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History in the Making

Few of Muscovy's rulers have died in their beds. The Slavs are a tough people. Because their necessarily tougher rulers have invented bizarre methods of liquidating insurgents, the Slavs, as opportunity afforded, have retaliated with equal ingenuity.

Take the case of Igor, son of a Swedish carpenter who first succeeded in instituting the rudiments of government among the Slavs—"Russians" is a Slavic word for Scandinavians. Igor, in his turn the first to rule any considerable portion of the present Russian empire, almost a thousand years ago in the year 945 was one day ambushed by a barbarian tribe. His troops were annihilated. Igor himself was trussed up between two trees which had been bent together. When the bonds were severed and the trees snapped back to the perpendicular, Igor was torn asunder.

Nazism and communism are almost identical trees but nature didn't intend that their tops should be tied together. Stalin attempted it and, politically speaking, he appears now to be suffering Igor's fate.

However the battle of Russia may go, Stalin stands convicted of criminal stupidity on a colossal scale. His 1939 pact with Hitler paved the way to this European holocaust. Now with the munitions and supplies they furnished to nazism, the Russians are being attacked. Win or lose—most likely it will be lose—for Stalin's stupidity the Soviets will suffer.

Retail Trade Gains

California, residents of the Pacific northwest have felt, has received more than its share of defense contracts and expenditures. Yet a regional trade barometer just released shows that April trade in the Los Angeles region is only 22 per cent above that of April, 1940; and that the San Francisco area showed a gain of only 22.4. Both are below the national average of 23.3 per cent increase.

On the contrary the Portland-Seattle area shows a gain of 34.8 per cent which is only .6 of a point below the highest, Louisville-Indianapolis. On a map labeled "indicated spending trend by states" accompanying an analysis published by another agency, Oregon and Washington appear among the states with "good prospects."

Office of Production Management paid its "dollar-a-year-men" by check such sums as 67 cents and up to 97 cents and thereby violated a law that is rumored to be on the federal statute books forbidding the writing of any check for less than a dollar.

News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

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WASHINGTON, June 23.—Just before Hitler sprang upon the Reds, a well-planted rumor was passed around outside the government here that this conquest was to be in connection with a peace drive. . . . Hess was desperately trying to convince Churchill that all Hitler wanted out of this war anyway was the annihilation of communism. . . . The feehur badly needed peace now to consolidate his ill-gotten gains and thus perpetuate his economically self-sufficient new order. . . . he would destroy Stalin, seize the Russian storehouse and offer Britain sensationally generous peace terms. . . . The yarn had more than a slight Nazi odor. Its aromatic qualities were heightened when some phases of the same story crept into the news dispatches from Nazi-occupied Spain and the international spy center in Lisbon.

Government officials refused to accept the tale from the first. They happened to know conclusively the British were working on the other side of the fence. For several days before Hitler jumped, London had been pressuring Mr. Roosevelt to promise aid to the Russians. It seems the British, for once, had advance knowledge of Hitler's intentions.

Mr. Roosevelt did not go too far out on the proffered limb, perhaps because our state and war officials were not as certain as the British that the attack would come at once. He merely took advance belligerent action against axis diplomatic propagandists and wrote his Robin Moir message promising Hitler there would be no retreat from his anti-Nazi position.

These original side-phases of the current course give weight and substance to Churchill's broadcast pronouncement that no peace with nazism would be considered until it was crushed.

In truth, Hitler's move in itself made peace even more unpalatable than before, to those here who would have to agree to it. By repudiating his non-aggression treaty with the Reds, he offered the ultimate proof, if any were needed, of the complete worthlessness of any treaty he might make.

So, while his conquest of the Reds is likely to be less unpopular locally than any he has made, it is only deepening the convictions of the officials of this government in their belligerent course.

The developments, however, definitely double the seriousness of the task they have undertaken. They would be foolish if they did not see that if Hitler is successful (and no one here has much confidence in the red army) he may be able to acquire all he needs. The boundless raw materials of Russia, developed only slowly under the comic communist government, might produce under German efficiency. With the greatest raw native wealth of the world under his management, he would have solid ground for his new order.

Furthermore, the action spoke louder than words could, of the complete absence of any striking power in Britain. If Churchill had anything to throw at Germany, this was the time to do it.

Consequently, military men are talking now of the prospects that the war may be prolonged beyond their earlier reckoning of two or three years. If Germany is to be beaten in the field, it may take that much time to muster sufficient military impetus to get started.

One thought encourages hopes for an earlier Nazi defeat. Hitler's expansions have presented him with a tremendous problem of economic and political management. If he cannot get it to working, if he cannot weld the agencies of production, transportation, distribution into an efficient system, he may yet collapse of his own expanded weight.

Private argument of officialdom since Sunday concerns who has been the bigger fool in this war—Mussolini or Stalin.

The imbecility of British and French politicians who let Hitler get started in the first place is conceded to be relatively minor when compared with the colossal outliness of Il Duce and the czar-commissar.

In Mussolini's behalf, it may be said he lost his regime to Hitler as thoroughly as did France, but without the bloodshed. His country has been invaded by Germany as completely as Czechoslovakia, but without the unfavorable publicity. He is a serf of Berlin, but he still has his medals and his uniform.

Stalin, however, started Hitler on this war deliberately. The inside weakness of his army was not known to him or anyone else when he signed the non-aggression pact with his sworn enemy. Hitler would not have dared fight on two fronts at the opening of the war. He would never have invaded Poland without the red simpleton's assent.

Stalin thought he would let Hitler destroy world capitalism, but he only fed the Nazi pigmy until it became a giant large enough to destroy him.

His suicidal cleverness is approximated only by his communist followers in the United States who were calling strikes even as late as last Saturday to sabotage American rearmament in the disposition that they were advancing communism.



"Peace Hath Her Heroes—!"

Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

An inquiry concerning 6-24-41 Jesse Quinn Thornton and Mrs. Eliza Thornton Ware, who were Salemites:

(Continuing from Sunday.) There was a filibuster in the United States Senate against the passage of the House bill to make Oregon a territory. It lasted through Saturday, August 12, 1848, and through all Saturday night, until about 8 o'clock on Sunday morning, the 13th. Then, wrote Thornton: "The opponents of the bill collected together in a little knot, and after conversing for a short time in an undertone, the Mississippi senator said that no further opposition would be made to the taking of a vote on the bill. The eyes and nose were then called, and the bill passed."

The "Mississippi senator" was Henry Stewart Foote, whose colleague in the upper house of congress was then (1848) Jefferson Davis. Foote resigned as U. S. senator in 1851, to become governor of Mississippi, having been elected to that office over Jefferson Davis. Foote was not in favor of secession. He went to California in 1854, but returned to Mississippi in 1858. General Grant, when he became president, made Foote supervisor of the United States mint at New Orleans, which position he held until his death. Foote had a rather singular career, having fought four duels with three men; the one with whom he fought twice having in after life become a firm friend.

(The filibuster against the bill to make Oregon a territory was started after a joint resolution

of facilities of Oregon, in the very beginning of the structure of its institutions, and as the foundation upon which to build, impelled me to make sure of an endowment of the Oregon Institute, by means of the vitality and power which the 18th section of the Act of August 14, 1848, imparted to the bond of July 11th, 1847.

"But my views of the great subject of education were not confined to the limited horizon which circumscribed the interests of a local and, in some sense, even sectarian institution of learning.

"Not less vehement was my wish to so multiply the springs of knowledge in Oregon that pure streams might thence flow out to all the land, and to glad unborn generations thirsting for literary and scientific knowledge. To this end I FRAMED THE 20TH SECTION OF THE ACT OF AUGUST 14TH, 1848, WHICH ENACTS:

"That when the lands in said Territory shall be surveyed under the direction of the Government of the United States, preparatory to bringing the same into market, sections numbered thirteen and thirty-six in each township and said Territory shall be, and the same is hereby, reserved for the purpose of being applied to the schools in said Territory, and in the States and Territories to be erected out of the same."

"The same considerations which influenced my judgment and determined me to make the 17th section a part of the Act of the 14th of August, 1848; decided me to make this 20th section a part of the same Act, rather than to make it a part of the land bill, to which both sections more appropriately belonged.

"Up to the passage of this bill, Congress had never appropriated more than the 16th section for the support of common schools; and the late Nathan Lane, LL.D, had labored long before he succeeded in inducing the Government to so appropriate THAT PORTION of the public lands."

(Continued tomorrow.)

Quoting again J. Quinn Thornton, in the 1874 Salem Directory:

"The time of the passage of this bill (making Oregon a territory) was THE SUPREME MOMENT IN MY LIFE. I had greatly set my heart upon securing an endowment for the Oregon Institute. . . .

"It has been seen that a strong desire to increase the education-

The Safety Valve

Letters from Statesman Readers

EMBRACE COMMUNISM?
To the Editor:

With the rapid change of events on the stage of the world's history strange things are happening to so-called public opinion. One of the strangest things that is threatening us today comes as the result of the new war between Germany and Russia. As a result of this event we are on the verge of throwing aside all discretion and welcoming communism with open arms. We think that because Russia has been forced into a war with Germany our common enemy, that we should now welcome her wholeheartedly into the circle of democratic nations. We think that she has now experienced a change of heart and can be fully trusted as one of us.

Up to the time of this new war public opinion in the United States was slowly beginning to veer away from communism and was beginning to see it in its true light. It was beginning to be recognized that back of the many strikes that were seriously hindering our national defense was communist agitation. Even though the investigations of the Dies committee had been frequently scoffed at the public was beginning to see that communist activity in our midst was no trivial matter. It was gnawing at the very roots of our national life. It was also recognized that France could trace much of cause of her humiliating downfall to the divisive work of communism within her gates, and that seemingly we were following in the same path.

It is well for us to remember that Russia is in this war because she has been forced into it and not because of any love

that she has for democratic nations and institutions. It is also well to remember that Russia like Germany is a country which under its present form of government is not to be trusted. Her agitation against Germany in spite of an open agreement with that country is an illustration of this point.

Countries with totalitarian forms of government can only be trusted as far as their leaders can be relied on, which in this case is not very far. Let us remember that the fact that Russia is in the war today has not changed the deep underlying principles upon which that government is founded. Stalin's desire has always been to foment a world revolution and can be fully trusted as one of us.

Already in the United States the communistic party is again raising its cry and wishes to be recognized as one of the patriotic organizations of our country. Let us remember that should we now open our doors to communism we may allow an enemy into our midst that will in the end be far more dangerous to us, because of the internal division thus generated, than all the hordes of nazism could ever be.

At this time let us take the long view in this matter and not be rushed into actions which some day we may live to bitterly regret.

ISAAC I. FRIESEN.

Today's Garden

By LILLIE L. MADSEN

R.R.—writes that her small dahlias plants are covered with a powdery, white growth, and asks what to do about them.

Answer—probably the plants are bothered by mildew. Dust thoroughly with fine dusting sulphur. The damp, rainy weather we have had during June has been conducive to mildew growth. You will notice any plant that has a tendency in this line will suffer in a damp spring and early summer.

C.C.—says that the roots of her primroses and coral bells are eaten off. Wants to know what to do. Says she was told wire worms did the damage.

Answer—wire worms may have done the damage, but strawberry root weevils are just as apt to have. In either case it would be well to grow the two plants in a fresh soil bed for a time. Placing strawberry weevil bait around the crowns of the plants in early spring will help in controlling the weevil. Continuous cultivation helps to to away with the wire worm. You may fumigate the soil as for wireworm. Naphthalene flakes are said to discourage them.

V.M.—asks for a good commercial fertilizer for strawber-

"Lover Come Back"

By BARRETT WILLOUGHBY

Chapter 28 Continued

"What's that?" A wariness dropped suddenly over the Captain's lively interest. "You say there are some Indian boats in Shelikoff?"

"Yah. The whole armada is holed-up in the Lagoon. Must have some screwy idea of trying to fish inside there, though even a Siwash ought to know it can't be done."

"I wonder," O'Moore's eyes took on a faraway look, his fingers drummed thoughtfully against the chair arm. "With shallow boats and shallow nets, it might be done—if one knew the currents and the bottom, as old Ish does. . . . Let a big school once get inside there. . . . our boats can't even enter that lagoon, much less fish it. . . . By the hivin', horn-billed jeezwa!" he concluded, explosively, "We've been near to missin' a trick, me lad!"

He took his arm from around Sondra's waist and leaned forward, beating a fist into his palm as he snapped his orders. "Get ye out there with the fleet, me bucko. Fill the holds and the decks. Then cut in all your underwater exhausts, and scatter that school from Shelikoff to Borneo! And look to it that no other school gets inside Shaman's Lagoon this season."

"But, Dynamite! Why scatter the—"

"Belay, gurl! This is man's business." The Captain's steely eyes switched back to Chris. "Ready to shove off, Skipper?"

"All set, Cap'n—and so are the others, as you can see."

They all turned to the window, through which came the accentuated rattle of winches that told of anchors now rapidly nearing the hawspeeps. There was always spirited rivalry among the O'Moore trawlers to see which should be first away, and the Captain chuckled when he saw all five mudhocks lift clear of the water at almost the same time. "Tis a dead heat," he said. "And there—they're off! The beauties! All surgin' ahead at once, as if—but what—the devil—"

The five trawlers, simultaneously, had lost headway, and now, like a fleet suddenly bewitched, lay drifting aimlessly while yet their exhausts beat out a sort of undiminished power. Their crews, seemingly seized by an identical madness, raced aft, flopped on their stomachs, and began jabbing with pikepoles at something under the sterns of the vessels.

"Fouled propellers!" started Chris. "But, something's screwy! One of 'em might pick up a line by accident, but not all five at once."

"Reynall!" the Captain spat out the name. He's out to-keep our boats off those herring till they've worked inside Shaman's Lagoon!" He whirled on Chris. "Move, man! Get ye down there to the Tanya and over to Shellikoff as quick as you can! No, no—never mind the fleet. I'll take care of that. Your job's to get to Shelikoff and scatter those fish! Take a boatload of 'em if ye have the time; but whatever else ye do—keep 'em out of Shaman's Lagoon. Ye hear me?"

"Aye, aye, sir!" the speeding Chris shouted back from the stairway.

They saw him race down the float, snatch off the Tanya's lines, and plunge into the wheelhouse. Instantly, with a roar of her exhaust, the O'Moore flagship surged astern. But her bow had not yet cleared the float when she, too, was stricken with the prevailing paralysis. And Chris, like the other skippers, flew aft, threw himself on his stomach, and hung head downward over the stern.

Then, rising, he lifted his face, shook both fists at the morning sky, and gave utterance.

With an odd air of finality, the Captain turned away from the window. "Would ye believe it?" he said slowly, incredulously. "I've let the Reynall pull out for me, and cripple me entire fleet. A whole season's pack of herring will be swimmin' into his blasted lagoon, and not a wheel I can turn to stop 'em."

(To be continued)

Radio Programs

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- KSLM—TUESDAY—1300 Kc.**
6:30—Sunrise Salute.
7:00—News.
7:30—Oldtime Music.
7:30—News.
8:00—The Campus Freshmen.
8:30—News.
8:45—To Be Announced.
8:50—The Green Tractor.
9:15—Popular Music.
10:00—The World This Morning.
10:15—Prescription for Happiness.
10:30—Women in the News.
10:35—Low White at the Organ.
11:00—Gordon Jenkins Music.
11:30—News.
11:30—Value Parade.
12:00—Ivan Dimars at the Organ.
12:15—Nootime News.
12:30—Hillbilly Serenade.
12:35—Willamette Valley Opinions.
1:00—The Star Shop.
1:30—Rolo Hudson's Orchestra.
1:45—Western Serenade.
2:30—News.
2:15—Salern Art Center.
2:30—John Kirby's Orchestra.
2:45—The Rhythmic Circle.
3:00—Crossroad Troubadour.
3:15—Concert News.
4:15—News.
4:30—Teatime Tunes.
4:45—The Quintones.
5:00—Popularity Row.
5:30—Dinner Hour Melodies.
6:00—Tonight's Headlines.
6:15—War Commentary.
6:30—Serenade.
7:00—News.
7:05—Interesting Facts.
7:15—The World Tonight.
7:30—Tommy Tucker's Orchestra.
7:35—The World Tonight.
8:15—Swing Gladiators.
8:30—Bob Hamilton's Trio.
8:35—The World Tonight.
9:00—News.
9:05—Pastor's Orchestra.
9:30—Western Music.
10:00—Hits of the Day.
10:30—News.
10:45—Let's Dance.
11:15—Dream Time.
- KGO—NBC—TUESDAY—620 Kc.**
6:30—Sunrise Serenade.
6:30—The Early Birds.
7:00—News.
7:15—Music of Vienna.
7:45—David Harun.
8:00—Sam Hayes.
8:30—Stars of Today.
8:45—Swing Gladiators.
9:15—Bess Johnson.
9:30—Ellen Randolph.
9:45—Dee Kate.
10:00—Light of the World.
10:15—The Mystery Man.
10:30—Waltz of Glamour.
10:45—Arnold Grimm's Daughter.
11:00—Against the Storm.
11:15—Meat and Potatoes.
11:30—Guiding Light.
11:45—Vic and Sade.
12:00—Backstage Wife.
12:15—Stella Dallas.
12:30—Lorenzo Jones.
12:45—Swing Gladiators.
1:00—Home of the Brave.
1:15—Portia Faces Life.
1:30—We, the Abbotts.
1:45—Mary Kay.
2:00—Pepper Young's Family.
2:15—Lone Journey.
2:45—News.
3:00—Hotel Billmore Orchestra.
3:15—News of the World.
3:30—V. V. V. V.
4:00—Stars of Today.
4:30—Horace Heild's Treasure Chest.
4:45—Swing of Glamour.
5:00—Flibber McGee and Molly.
5:30—Bob Hope.
6:00—Johnny Steamer.
7:00—Fred Waring Pleasure Time.
7:15—Lum and Abner.
7:30—Johnny Presnert.
8:00—Palace Hotel Orchestra.
8:30—Battle of the Sexes.
9:00—Palladium Ballroom Orchestra.
9:30—News.
10:00—News.
10:30—Wiltshire Bowl Orchestra.
11:00—News.
11:15—St. Francis Hotel Orchestra.
11:30—Florentine Gardens Orchestra.
11:45—News Bulletin.
- KEX—NBC—TUESDAY—1190 Kc.**
6:30—2's Up.
7:00—Western Agriculture.
7:15—Breakfast Club.
7:30—Amos Corcor.
8:30—National Farm and Home.
9:15—Between the Bookends.
10:00—News.
10:30—Charmingly We Live.
11:00—Orphan of Divorce.
11:15—Amanda of Honeymoon Hill.
11:30—John's Other Wife.
11:45—Just Plain Bill.
12:00—News.
12:15—Market Reports.
12:30—News.
1:15—Dance a While.
1:45—Curtaines Quiz.
2:30—The Quiet Hour.
2:45—Wings on Watch.
- KALE—NBC—TUESDAY—1330 Kc.**
6:30—Memory Timekeeper.
7:00—News.
8:00—Good Morning, Family.
8:30—News.
9:00—The News and That.
9:30—Helen Holden.
10:00—Til Find My Way.
10:30—Woman's Side of the News.
10:45—Buyer's Guide.
11:00—Concert Gems.
11:30—Johnson Family.
12:15—News.
1:00—Amos 'n' Andy.
1:15—Lanny Ross.
1:30—Court of Missing Heirs.
1:45—We the People.
2:30—Hollywood Showcase.
3:00—News.
3:00—News.
3:30—Five Star Final.
4:00—The Big Show.
4:45—Defense Today.
11:30—Manny Strand Orchestra.
11:55—News.
- KOAC—TUESDAY—950 Kc.**
6:30—News.
7:00—The HomeMaker's Hour.
7:30—Weather Forecast.
8:00—News.
8:30—Monitor Views the News.
9:00—Music of the Masters.
9:30—News.
10:00—Farm Hour.
10:00—4H Club Assembly.
10:15—Production for Defense.
10:30—News.
10:30—Stories for Boys and Girls.
10:45—Concert.
11:00—News.
11:00—Farm Hour.
11:30—The Big School.
11:45—Music of Czechoslovakia.
12:00—Book Chat.
12:30—Oregon on Parade.