

Hitler's "Gigantic" Offensive Is Developing Slowly Compared To Other Blitzes, Says Writer

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The astonishing thing about Hitler's "gigantic" new offensive in Russia is the almost glacial slowness with which it is developing, in striking contrast to previous nazi blitzkrieg technique.

Hitler declared last Friday that the offensive had been in progress some 48 hours. Yet it was another 72 hours before London military onlookers discovered any definite evidence that it had been launched on a wide front.

It seemed to these London experts that the heaviest initial pressure was falling on the Russian center, just south of Smolensk; and on the north central front about 200 miles northwest of Moscow. The British reports located one scene of action in the Roslavl area, midway between Smolensk and Bryansk, both scenes of recent Russian counter attacks.

The nazi attack in the Roslavl area presumably is aimed at breaking through toward Moscow along the double-track railroad crossing the Dnieper at Rogachev. That accounts for London speculation that the soviet capital, with its wheel-spoke communication lines, is the Germans' next objective.

It remains to be seen, however, whether the pressure there and further north is not actually a German holding operation, designed to prevent shifting of Russian reinforcements southward where it still seems the most effective strategic possibilities lie for the nazis.

The London observers detect indications that the German attack on Leningrad is tapering off to a virtual siege operation, presumably because Hitler cannot spare troops from his great offensive, whether aimed at Moscow or at the Donets basin and its vital Russian oil link. Recent Russian successes in the Leningrad area may have been due to withdrawal of German forces southward for the new offensive.

Without a shadow of a doubt the major strength of the red army is concentrated within the 250-mile half-circle, from the Leningrad-Moscow railroad in the northwest to the upper reaches of the Donets river to the southeast. A web of railroads and highways covers this half-circle. All converge on Moscow, and all are cross-connected at intervals to facilitate quick movement of Russian troops by short interior lines to points of danger. Roslavl is on the southwestern perimeter of that half-circle, some 250 miles from Moscow.

A German advance in the Roslavl sector could force a Russian withdrawal both north and south of that point. Red army retirement on the Smolensk and Bryansk fronts would almost certainly follow. Yet with only a few weeks to elapse before the Russian winter falls on the whole Moscow front, it does not seem that Hitler can hope for a decisive success in the center.

As an essential preliminary to the real drive farther south to seize Kharkov and Rostov and cut Russian oil line, a German thrust at Moscow would be logical. And there are many indications still that it is the Donets-Dnieper basin at which Hitler actually is aiming. Better winter weather conditions in that southern area can be cited in support of that argument.

Waldo Hills Men Seek Hog Prizes

WALDO HILLS—T. R. Riches and Alex Doerfler are to be among the exhibitors at the Pacific International hog show during the coming week. Both have taken a number of prizes at the state fairs and Portland shows in previous years. Doerfler is an old hand in the show ring but Riches has just showed in recent years.

School Organizes 4H Health Club

BETHEL—The 4H Health club has been organized at the school. Pauline Riensche is leader and instructor. Officers elected are president, Ronald Nichols; vice-president, Emma Pfenning; secretary, Patsy Kirscher; song leader, James Williams; and the first committee in charge of games, Marvin Kirscher and James Hilborn.

Reach North Dakota

PLEASANTDALE—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Radie and Fred Junior who left here September 21 for a motor trip to visit the former's mother and other relatives in North Dakota have reached their destination. They encountered a blizzard en route.

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A recent medical discovery now being used by doctors and hospitals everywhere has proven unusually successful in the treatment of stomach ulcers caused from excess acid. It is a harmless preparation yet so effective that in many cases the pains of stomach ulcers disappear almost immediately after it is used. Also recommended for gas pains, indigestion, heartburn, due to hyperacidity. Sufferers may now try this at home by obtaining a bottle of Lactin from their druggist. Lactin contains this new discovery in its purest form. Easy to take. Just mix two teaspoons in a half glass of milk. Costs but little and sold under an absolute guarantee that it must satisfy or money refunded. Lactin for sale by Fred Meyer and drug stores everywhere.

Eugene Seeks Duo Held Here On Charges

Eugene police officers are expected here this morning to take custody of Homer Gordon Young, Jr., and Mrs. Marie Robinson, both of Seattle, who were held in the city jail Monday night on charges of vagrancy and larceny by bailie, respectively.

They were arrested after Mrs. Robinson assertedly attempted to get a loan on a typewriter at a local firm Saturday. The address she gave aroused suspicion of the dealer, who called police. She left the firm but soon met Young.

Police learned the typewriter involved had been rented only an hour before from the Underwood Elliott Fisher agency at 531 court street.

Young was taken to headquarters for questioning and admitted he had rented and disposed of other typewriters in a similar manner. His baggage at a hotel, searched with his permission, yielded numerous pawnshop tickets.

These and admitted offenses included 14 in Seattle, one in Eugene and three in Everett. The property comprised typewriters, rings and watches.

Mrs. Robinson when taken into custody said they had come here from Eugene, where they had been working, and registered at a Salem hotel as Mr. and Mrs. G. Young. Young also admitted he was absent without leave from the 34th airbase at Payne field, Everett. This was confirmed by communication with the field commandant.

Silverton People Select Homes For Winter

SILVERTON—"Looks like folks are finally becoming settled for the winter," say members of the water department, noting only a small amount of moves in or out during the past week in comparison to the heavy shifting about of a couple of weeks ago.

The Albert Liechty and the R. B. Bonneys have moved from their farm homes to town for the winter, with the Liechty settling at 618 South Third and the Bonneys at 408 Oak street.

The J. R. Blacks moved a couple of doors up on Oak street, going from 633 to 625, the latter house that of Mrs. Gertrude Slade Cameron, who plans to spend the winter at Salem.

New arrivals include A. B. Rostad at 701 North First; Lloyd Jewell at 441 North Water; O. E. Olson at 509 Chester, Mrs. Cora Wardell at 115 Cherry, and L. C. Francisco at 1401 South Water. O. Wengenroth moved from 414 Silverton to 714 Hicks.

Boys' Workshop Opening Set

WEST SALEM—Due to a delay in the WPA appointment of the instructor for the West Salem Boys' workshop, H. E. Denham announced that he would not be able to open the shop until about the 10th of this month.

Mrs. Carrie Jennings will entertain members of the Laurel Social Hour club at the Glenn Adams home on Glenn Creek road Tuesday at 2 o'clock. Mrs. J. B. Smith will be in charge of the program.

Mrs. John Friesen and Mrs. Tom Dalke took Marjorie Friesen to Portland. She enrolled at the Cascade college.

Ross Damersall, who underwent a major operation at the Salem General hospital several weeks ago, is expected to return to his home next week.

Second Steel Cargo Ship to Be Launched

PORTLAND, Oct. 6—(AP)—The second steel cargo ship to be launched by the Oregon Shipbuilding corporation will slide down the ways October 19.

Officials said it would be christened the Meriwether Lewis. The first vessel, Star of Oregon, was launched September 27.

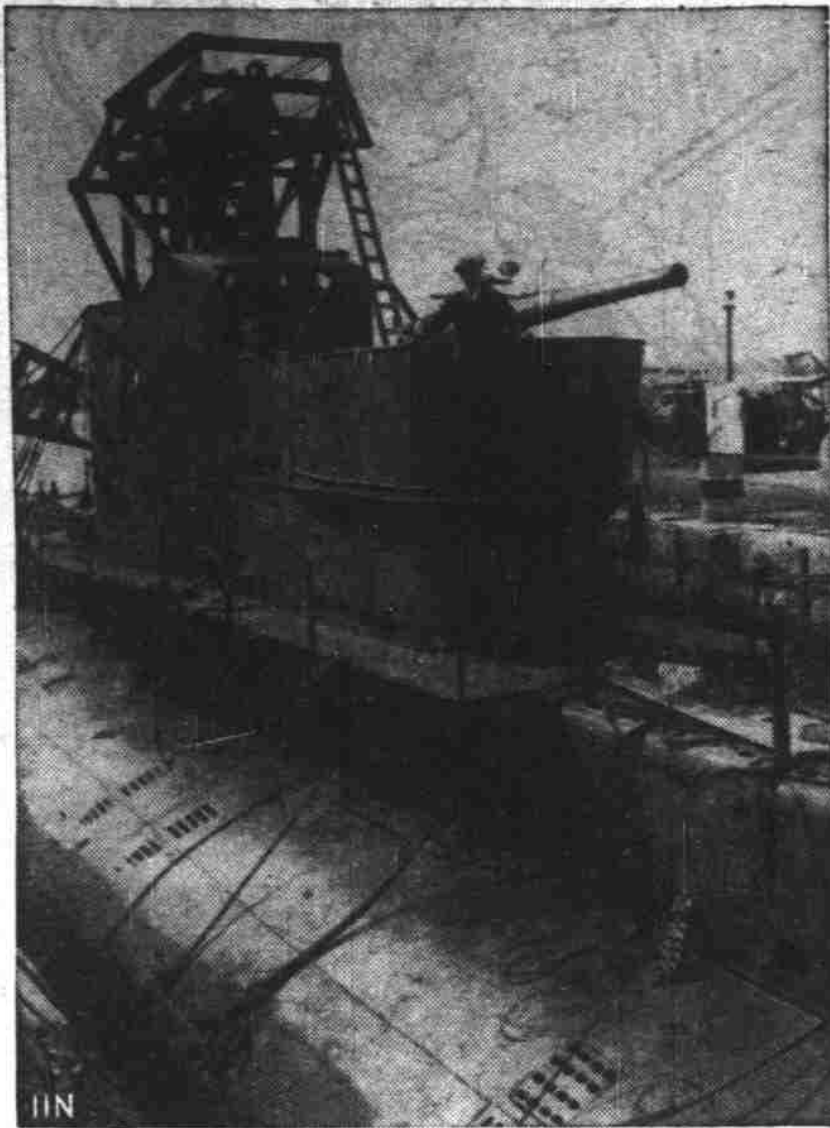
Move to Union Hill

UNION HILL—Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Stur and two children of Aumsville are moving to the place where Mrs. Elizabeth Hafner now lives. Mrs. Hafner will soon move to her new home near the Union Hill district.

At Walla Walla School

RICKREALL—Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Oliver returned Thursday evening from Walla Walla, Wash., where their daughter Mary entered college. They also visited Mr. Oliver's brothers.

British Sub at US Navy Yard



One of several British war vessels that have come to American shipyards for overhauling and repair, the submarine Pandora is shown at the Portsmouth, N. H., yards. The officer is Lieut. Robert Alexander, skipper of the vessel.

Revival Meetings Are Continued At Mill City

MILL CITY—The Rev. Earle C. Miller, the singing evangelist, opened his second week of a month's revival at the Church of Christ Sunday. Rev. Miller is his own soloist, playing the steel saw.

Mrs. Krieger and daughter, Betsy, left Friday for San Francisco to visit her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cockpo, who are the parents of a new baby.

Mr. and Mrs. William Morris, Eugene, spent last weekend with the W. B. Shueys.

Mrs. Nell Day returned last week from Montana and Sioux City, Ia., where she has been visiting relatives for the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tunnell, Vernonia, and Mrs. Nonie Zink, Mrs. Tunnell's aunt and uncle.

Swegle News

SWEGLE—Recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Porter were Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Porter and daughter, from Cleveland, Ohio. Porter is employed on the staff of a city paper in Cleveland and drove to Seattle on business and came for a visit with his parents upon returning east.

Mr. and Mrs. Selter and daughter have returned to their acreage south of the school and are building a new modern home. They have been living in Bremerton, Washington, for several years.

William McKinney and son Robert drove to Medford on a business trip this past week, returning Saturday.

Ralph Nelson, accompanied by an aunt and uncle from Portland, drove to Klamath Falls last weekend, taking his sister that far on her trip to San Francisco. The party visited Crater Lake on Sunday, just at the noon hour, when the lake is bluest.

Monday night the school board met in special session to accept the work on the building by Herbert Babb and check upon the heating plant which the gas company have put in order.

Mr. Moore returned Friday to his home on Sunnyview avenue from a hunting trip into eastern Oregon. He brought back some of the quest, a fine young venison.

Rickreall Pupils Elect Officers

RICKREALL—The Rickreall high school students elected their student body officers Friday. They are, president, Ray West; vice-president, Walter Hill; secretary-treasurer, Betty Auer.

Bill Byrom was elected editor of the school paper, with Donald Hamilton, business manager.

Church Group Meets

DAYTON—There were ten members attended the October meeting of the Dayton Christian Missionary society held Thursday with Adeline Spooner. Mrs. Roy E. Will conducted the devotionals. The next meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright.

Mothers Slate Session

GRAND ISLAND—The Mothers Circle club will convene Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Fred Finnicum. The president, Mrs. Dale Fowler, will be the assisting hostess.

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Individual Booths Add Interest At Silverton Hills Community Fair; Prize Winners Listed

SILVERTON HILLS—Displays at the Silverton Hills community fair, held at the hall here Saturday were not as numerous as in former years but were of a more distinctive nature. Individual booths added greatly to the general display. Over 100 types and varieties of farm and home products made up the L. O. Hadley booth, one of the largest individual displays.

Robert Rieder, Salem, Marion county agricultural agent, was the featured speaker on the afternoon program "Food Will Win the War and Write the Peace," was the theme of Rieder's talk.

He urged that the advance prices on farm products be met with a spirit of conservatism instead of a desire to expand. "You may expect a reasonable parity for farm products compared to industry," he said. He warned the farmer of the "shock recession" after the war is over.

Accompanying Rieder from the county office was Jerry Nibler the two served as judges of seeds, corn and other raw products of the orchards and farms.

Wesley Beckley, Silverton Hills, spoke on recent tours he had made to Pan-American places. Musical numbers were given by Mrs. Cora Wilcox, Porter school girls, numbers by Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Towe, Mrs. J. H. Maulding and Mrs. Josie Mires. Readings were given by Mrs. C. J. Towe, Miss Sharon Porter. C. J. Towe was program chairman and master of ceremonies.

Of great interest in the display rooms was the crocheted table runner which took first prize and which was made by Mrs. Clara Hubbard, without the aid of glasses. Mrs. Hubbard is 93.

Awards in the various departments included: Flowers—Mrs. Ethel Brown and Mrs. Christian Peterson, judges; Mrs. Elma Mulkey, first on mixed bouquet, cactus dahlia, giant yellow dahlia and ponpons; Mrs. Edith Beugli, first on scabiosa and hyacinth, second on scabiosa, and third on snapdragon; Mrs. Rosa Parrish, first on golden daisies, snapdragon and two types of red dahlia; Mrs. Minnie Hartley, first on amaryllis; Mrs. Sarah Maulding, first on cactus, salvia and pink ponpon, third on red dahlia; Mrs. Ethel Loran, second on snapdragon; and Mrs. Josie Mires, first on marigolds and blue daisies and second on sun-burst dahlia.

Vegetables—Grains—Fruits (uncanned)—Rieder and Nibler, judges; C. M. Janik (high winner with 14 firsts and three seconds), first on fall pears, turnips, spitzenberg apples, Kentucky wonder beans, dull seed, yellow sweet corn, turnip seed, telephone pea seed.

Kentucky wonder bean seed, red beet seed, onion sets, kale seed; onions, flax seed, and second on carrots, barceloneta filberts and dachill filberts. E. A. Beugli, first on giant beans, blue per, potatoes, sugar beets, and third on red beets; L. O. Hadley, second, beets, third on dachill filberts; Charles Mulkey, second on pears and yellow dent corn; Virgil Tchantz, first on fall butter and grey oats, and second on cabbage and fall butters. Ira Loran (second high, 13 firsts, one second and two thirds; first on dachill filberts, tranquette walnuts, earliest of all potatoes, green peppers, watermelon, red beets concord grapes, Niagara grapes grapes, cago grapes, first on tomatoes, roman beans, carrots, radishes, squash, lettuce, second on cabbage and turnips.

Mrs. Sarah Maulding, first on parsnips, squash, bartlett pears, cabbage, onions, gravenstein apples, Wolfe river apples, second on earliest of all potatoes, grey oats and third on Baldwin apples.

Frank Porter, first on watermelon, second on squash. De Murray, first, Spokane beauty apples, fall apples, second on northern pines. Merle Foote, first on peaches, cabbage, squash, apples, second on Baldwin apples. Mrs. Henry DuBal, third on squash and cabbage; June Drake, first on barceloneta filberts and second, walnuts; Lewis Hall, first on bellflower apples, winter banana apples, crabapples, and second on Spine Beauties; Otto Bartels, first on northern pines, Roman Beauties and second on fall butter pears.

Alvin Hartley, first on anjou pears, soya beans, sunflowers and third on green corn; Alfred Lee, first on Hubbard squash and fall pears, second, squash; F. H. Hadley, first on Spanish corn and third on earliest of all potatoes; Joe Bonner, second on pound pears.

School Exhibits—Porter, Mary Casey, teacher, first on hand craft; Mt. Blew, Mrs. James Underwood, teacher, second, display of geography and clothing for different climates.

Textiles—Mrs. Christian Peterson and Mrs. Ethel Brown, judges; Mrs. John Tolmoff, first on embroidered table cloth, crocheted dresser scarf, embroidered pillow cases, buffet set; Mrs. Ira Loran, first on child's embroidered animal quilt; Mary Tolmoff, first on embroidered dresser scarf, embroidered lunchen set, applique pillow cases, second on embroidered pillow cases, embroidered table cloth.

Mrs. E. A. Beugli, first on pieced quilt; Mrs. Kate Porter, first, crocheted table cloth, crocheted luncheon set, vase doilies, crocheted hot dish holders; Mrs. Clara Hubbard, first on crocheted table runner; Mrs. Anton Sacher, second on pieced quilt. Mrs. Alvin Hartley, first on lace table runner; runner; Mrs. Cora Wilcox, first on embroidered center piece, a p r o n s couch pillows, second on aprons, third on aprons; Mrs. Josie Mires, second on lace table runner.

Mrs. Willard Benson, second on crocheted hot dish holders, crocheted luncheon set; Mrs. F. H. Hadley, first on crocheted chair set; Mrs. L. O. Hadley, first on hit and miss rug.

Baked foods—Sarah Maulding, first on peach pie, nut loaf, white bread, cookies; Elma Mulkey, second on white bread; Zina Tchantz, first on coconut cream pie.

Canned vegetables, fruits—Zina Tchantz, first on beets, second on beans; Edith Beugli, first on prunes, second on tomatoes, corn, peach jelly, crab apple jelly, third on apple jelly.

Lions Observe Guest Night

SILVERTON—Guest night was observed Tuesday at the meeting of the Lions club held at George's cafe. District Governor Lindsay Wright, Stayton, special guest, complimented Dr. A. L. V. Smith on his conduct as zone chairman.

Gordon Ruffner, member of the Broadway club, Seattle, was another special guest. Jack Eagen, Dallas, was the featured speaker.

During the business meeting Bob Miller reported that the club had given the school 1000 safety book covers. C. H. Dickerson reported that the plans for the minstrel show were progressing, but the club had not yet set a date for it.

Couple Leave For Seattle

HAYESVILLE—Mr. and Mrs. George Carey left Friday for Seattle, where they visited with George's brother, Pat. On their return trip they will bring his mother, Mrs. Agnes Carey to Portland.

Mrs. Elizabeth Siddell accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Harry White, to Yakima Monday. She expects to visit there a few weeks.

The first meeting of the Boy Scouts since they were disbanded in the summer, will be held Thursday night at the schoolhouse, according to announcement made by Scout Master J. J. Komytse.

Community Clubs

GRAND ISLAND—A special meeting of the community club will be held at the schoolhouse Wednesday night, when the sanitary engineer of the state board of health and Dr. H. M. Stolte, Yamhill county health unit, will discuss health topics. All residents of the district are urged to be present.

This will be the first regular business meeting of the community club for the coming year.

Plans District Council

WOODBURN—The American Legion auxiliary will meet Wednesday in the auxiliary rooms. Plans for the district county council to be held here soon will be discussed.

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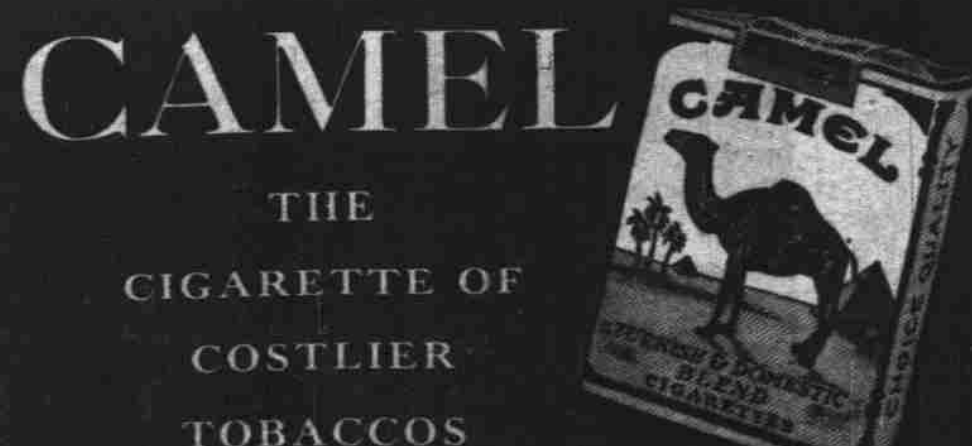
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