

What Defense Boom is Doing

Prices Are Hitting Ceiling; American Housewives Also

(This is the last of five articles analyzing the effect of war and defense on the American family.)

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 23—Prices are soaring. Taxes have climbed to one peak and they're now rushing to the all time high in fiscal mountain climbing.

Government, business, Joe and Mary Doakes of Crossroads, USA—all of us—are struggling to catch up with the leaping lines on cost of living charts.

Rents are soaring, too, stimulated by a housing shortage in the defense areas. Trailers dot defense town lots, and the government experts are all tangled up with demountable housing plans.

Apart from gasoline and silk hose, food prices are definitely on the upgrade, mounting at the rate of two per cent a month. Secretary of Labor Francis Perkins' experts have found that the cost of living has jumped 7 per cent since the war began, September 1, 1939.

Meat, milk, eggs, and butter are the staples that have sky-rocketed most. City interests blame it on the department of agriculture's parity payments to farmers. Farmers say that's not so. They insist they get only one per cent of the ante.

Meanwhile, in some cities, families with the money available are buying in case lots and storing food. Poorer families are buying substitutes; hominy and sauerkraut instead of pork and beans, for instance.

Clothing's up too. About five dollars a suit on men's clothing, less on women's wear, because manufacturers are holding price levels, but are stinting on materials, trimmings and buttons.

The business of dining out has its complications, too, even at lunch time. In many places, workers find their plate lunches now come without beverage and dessert. Sandwich and malted milk combinations are up from 25 to 30 cents.

The country is just beginning to feel the pinch of substitution and conservation required in national defense. Airplane model bugs are finding it harder and harder to get balsam wood, the light stuff that comes from South America. Shipping interests are handling heavier materials. Amateur metal workers can't get copper or aluminum for knickknacks. Photographers learn fine grain developers don't come easy anymore. The government is taking the chemicals.

Conservation authorities are begging people not to require their favorite stores to carry so many designs and patterns and colors. In blankets, for instance, defense officials say seven colors could be produced in great quantities, but the 20-odd now available gum up the priorities lists. Housewives who dow their own sewing can't get the exact shade.

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"Moon Over Miami" Time: 2:50 - 5:55 - 8:55 2nd Hit

"Murder Among Friends" Time: 1:20-4:25-7:25-10:25

Rum Store Protested ALBANY, Oct. 23—(P)—The Albany Ministerial association protested Thursday against plans of the state liquor control commission to establish a liquor store near two churches.

Soviet Shifts High Officers

Moscow Expected to Hold During Winter British Experts Say (Continued from Page 1)

answer, but Anthony Eden, the foreign secretary, and Lord Beaverbrook, the supply minister, held the fort for the Churchill government. Beaverbrook, speaking in the House of Lords, Eden implied that the government was indeed planning something, and since he in effect ruled out any attempt at invading the continent in the near future there was a clear indication that the near east was in mind as a theatre of offensive action.

Beaverbrook declared that Russians were in hard case for the implements of war, comparing the soviet position in one respect to the British position after Dunkerque, but he stated that Britain and the United States had promised Stalin that they would make up Russia's losses in tanks and planes.

Stalin, the minister added, had called it "a tank war," and had stated that some Russian steel plants and heavy engineering works were now 900 miles or more behind the front. Still, said Beaverbrook, "just as we did (after Dunkerque), Russia, I believe, will be able to reconstruct her war industries."

German reports Thursday of advances on Moscow claimed that the break-through was on a wide front south and southwest—presumably about Maloyaroslavets and Mozhaik—but conceded that these thrusts were made through relatively lightly defended areas between the heavier outer fortifications. While Berlin stated that the city itself now probably was within range of heavy nazil artillery it was conceded that by far the strongest fortifications still were unbreached.

Of the Donets basin of the far south, where the Germans are striking in the direction of Rostov on the River Don at the gateway to the Caucasus, Berlin said little, but reported strong Russian counter-attacks far behind this area and to the west against nazil-held Perekop on the Crimean isthmus. These were said to have been halted and the nazis claimed: "The key to the Crimea remains in German hands."

The Russians themselves admitted that they were up against it in the Donets basin area but declared that superior invading forces were losing heavy casualties.

They also reported a resumption of heavy offensive German activity about Novgorod, which lies 100 miles below Leningrad, but claimed that the nazis had been generally beaten back.

In France during the day Marshal Petain's cabinet met in extraordinary session to consider what was termed in Vichy "the anguishing problem" of dual terrorism: That from Frenchmen who persist in killing their German conquerors and that from the nazis in shooting hostages for such attacks or for being "communists."

There was a suggestion in censored Vichy dispatches that Marshal Petain's government faced the greatest problem of its career—an exquisite dilemma that might soon have the most profound effects in France.

Even the Free French leader, General Charles de Gaulle, broadcast a charity show in their beautiful gardens and is definitely a social climber.

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Police Hold Trespasser Jack Cassidy of Salem was held in the city jail Thursday night following his arrest on a Salem justice court warrant charging trespassing. Bail was set at \$50.

Hunter's Body Found OREGON CITY, Oct. 23—(P)—A searching party reported here Thursday that it had found the body of Alfred F. Siferde, 71, Portland, who died of a heart attack while hunting in the upper Molalla wilderness last Saturday.

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Cameras Barred When Planes Displayed at City Airport Saturday (Continued from Page 1)

ners, while the air corps lacked "city of beautiful women," onto the capital city's list of cognomen.

Air corps officers will be glad to bring their men to Salem for regular training duty in the event the corps accepts the city's formal invitation to establish a temporary base here, so hearty and practical has been the welcome given the 54th squadron now in the capital for maneuvers, more than 100 townsmen were told Thursday night at the banquet tendered the uniformed visitors at the Marion hotel.

The city's bid for an air base, a resolution adopted by 17 civic organizations, was presented at the banquet to Lt. T. W. Jackson, the visiting fliers' commanding officer, in a gesture which Mayor W. W. Charwick has been advised will have measurable weight to the air station movement.

"Our first impression is that we have a better place to operate here than at our home base," Lt. Jackson said, in appreciation of the accommodations provided his men at the airport, the fairgrounds and downtown.

The banquet program was one of brief talks by civic and government leaders and music by the Salem Y Gleemen quartet. Gov. Charles A. Sprague, who was to have been principal speaker, remained at home under physician's orders, to recover from a slight illness. Postmaster Henry R. Crawford served as toastmaster.

Until Tuesday, October 28, all flying from the Salem base will be in the nature of "test" missions, Lt. Jackson declared Thursday. Radio, mechanical, army communications and other equipment and services are being undergoing a thorough examination in preparation for next week's activities, which may be likened to examinations, he said.

Umpires will judge and grade the October 28-November 1 maneuvers according to strict liability rules, penalizing the "enemy" bombers and the "protectors" pursuit planes with orders to ground a specified number of ships for a specific number of hours, officers explain.

Whether the blackout planned a week from tonight is to feature a simulated attack on Salem and nearby communities had not been announced today, but airmen agreed that flying with only running lights over a darkened city to an unlighted airport should prove a climactic test to a fortnight of strenuous practice and examination.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 23—(P)—Portland's blackout for army air maneuvers on Halloween isn't being

taken too lightly by Captain of Detectives John J. Keegan.

He announced Thursday that all detectives on duty relief would be on night duty; that every member of the recently formed veterans' patrol would be called, and that each patrol member would recruit five other men to assist him.

There will be a policeman or special officer on duty in every block of the city Halloween, he said.

Nazis Execute 100 Frenchmen

Nantes and Bordeaux Scene of Reprisals; 50 More Due Sunday (Continued from Page 1)

could stay the execution of the other 50 hostages there by delivering the nazil killers.

Given the same opportunity to save the second 50 at Nantes, the populace there failed to capture and give up the slayers of Lieut.-Col. Paul Friederich Hosts by their deadlines, 1 a.m. midnight.

The Germans already have executed a total of 154 and 100 more would raise the total to 254, and if the Bordeaux assassins are not found the grand total would be 284.

Both Nantes and Bordeaux were blacked out tonight, the civilians indoors under strict curfew, and nazil sentries guarded the entire areas as the execution hour drew near.

Solons Okeh Big Lend Bill

Neutrality Act Fight Rages in Senate; Oil Ban in East Is off (Continued from Page 1)

Bankers borrowed from America.

"The bad outlook of the summer has been overcome," the coordinator said as he declared an end to the petroleum emergency.

The British were able to release the tankers, he reported, because of the greatly diminished sinkings in the battle of the Atlantic.

On Committee



DR. CHARLES A. HOWARD



TOM HILL

Dr. Charles A. Howard (top), president of Oregon College of Education, Monmouth, and T. B. "Tom" Hill (below), Salem, who were appointed Thursday by Walter W. E. May, Portland, as members of the reconstruction committee of the state defense council. The committee is to advise on recreation and morale problems affecting areas where defense workers or troops are concentrated.

Red Aid Move Pleases Japs

US Talks Helped by Boston Port Order; Awaits Reactions (Continued from Page 1)

might as well send a telegram to Hitler as to announce it."

The maritime commission announcement last night said that cargoes for Russia would be moved from Boston after October 28, in order to make greater use of the facilities of various ports and prevent congestion.

Immediately there was a flurry of speculation since the order seemed to indicate that no more war supplies would go across the Pacific to Vladivostok.

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Congress Hits Plant Strikes

Demands Renewed for Outlawing of Labor Walkouts in Nation (Continued from Page 1)

ere strike which threatened to shut down Seattle and Tacoma shipyards and spread throughout the nation, was seen here Thursday night. The welders telegraphed Labor Secretary Frances Perkins an invitation to intervene, and A. L. Gates, assistant secretary of the navy, visiting here apprised himself of the facts in the controversy.

Employers' spokesmen reported during a conference with AFL officials that the United States selective service board had called upon the employers to provide, for reclassification, the names and numbers of all men now on strike who have been deferred from the draft because of employment in national defense industry.

BENDIX, N.J., Oct. 23—(P)—Several hundred non-striking day shift employes outflanked a CIO

picket line twice Thursday by making a bumpy motorized entry and exit at the picketed plant of the Air Associates, Inc., using back doors.

The night shift, estimated to number about 125 men, usually reports for work at 6:30 p.m. (EST). Robert Fowler, public relations director for the company, said Sheriff William R. Browne had blocked off a single lane dirt track used in the afternoon exit and he did not know what entrance was available to night workers.

"As far as we can see now, the CIO is now the police authority in this country," declared Fowler.

Mail Carriers, Sailors, Note

SPOKANE, Oct. 23—(P)—Mrs. Dorothy Ellen Royce, appearing in court against her former husband, Roy Green, said her marriage was unhappy because Green spent his spare time and money riding in taxis.

He spent his working hours the same way, she said. Green is a taxi driver.

HURRY!... ENDS TODAY! Continuous from 1:00 P. M. Gary Cooper as "Sergeant York" STARTS SATURDAY—2 TOP FEATURES!

The Maltese Falcon Humphrey Bogart Mary Astor Back to Regular Prices Starts Saturday

FATHER TAKES A WIFE REYKJAVIK, Iceland, Oct. 22—(Delayed)—(P)—The 17 known survivors of the American-owned merchantman Bold Venture reported Thursday that their 19 missing shipmates probably were killed when a submarine torpedo sank their ship last Thursday.

ELSMORE SALEM'S LEADING THEATRE

CAPITOL STARTS SAT.

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LAST TIMES TONITE Big Crosby in "Star Maker"

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