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German Recovery

Germany's attack in the center of its Russian lines is not regarded as a major offensive, although any local success would naturally be exploited to the utmost. Its purpose may be to engage the Russians, throw them off balance, and perhaps spoil a Russian offensive; or it may be a diversion to occupy the enemy while the Germans realign their own forces. The present attack, while in strong force, is not on the usual German scale. Germany is on the defensive, husbanding its strength against the expected allied attack.

There is no doubt that Germany has used the past months of cessation of active warfare in Europe for rest and recuperation for her armies. According to Hanson Baldwin, military observer for the New York Times, the strength of the German army has probably been restored. He attributes this recovery to the "tremendous mobilization that started in Germany coincident wih Stalingrad and that has been too little noticed in this country."

People are apt to forget the recuperative power of a nation at war. Year after year Napoleon was able to rebuild his armies by fresh levies, as they were called. Each year there is a new crop of youth reaching military age. They can be called into service, filling the gaps of losses. Germany has been combing its population more closely, inducting more of its able-bodied men into its army. So, while the allies have been busy preparing for their attack on Fortress Europe Hitler has been using the same time preparing his defense.

So much time has elapsed this summer that it appears very doubtful if a decision in Europe can be secured this year. The air war alone will not do it. Each day's delay in attacking, necessary though it may be, makes it more probable that the war in Europe will extend to 1944.

Business Change

That the previous observations in this column to the effect that the "war plant is built" are true is borne out by statistics concerning consruction. The Portland Journal of Commerce reports that on a weekly average basis for the first half of this year, the total volume of construction was 63 per cent below that of a year ago. The decrease appears to be accelerating, for the June contracts were 72 per cent under those of June 1943.

Putting it in figures, June engineering construction amounted to \$274,493,000 compared in public construction, chiefly in federal, as war factories and camps were being completed. Private construction moved up from \$46,647,000 to \$72,718,000. But see how far it would have to go to reach the \$888,907,000 volume which was made by the federal government in 1942.

As these trends develop we will have crosscurrents in our economy, as we have had. First, part of the civilian economy was injured by the war, while the manufacturing and contracting interests profited. Now the contractors and their crews are running out of work. Later on the big munitions plants will get cancellation orders (some have already). Then will come release of materials for resumption of production for civilian consumption.

When the tempo of manufacturing is as fast as it is now, changes can come very rapidly, The man in business knows they are coming, like the second front, but he can't tell when.

Dead Marxism

That communism is dead in Russia, pure Marxian communism, that is, would seem to be proven by the report in the news agency of communists, the "Inter-Continent News", that Russian farmers are heavy buyers of Russian war bonds. One collective farmer, Berdybekov, of Kazakhstan, with his family, bought 1,037,-000 rubles worth of bonds and paid cash for them. Other collective farmers bought up to 100,000 rubles worth of bonds, Berdybekov wrote Stalin about what he had done and Stalin wrote him expressing his gratitude.

Russia has gone in for its own brand of capitalism, a state capitalism, in which the state owns the tools of production, but pay is graded as under private capitalism. Collective farmers are now allowed to own private farmsteads. Plant executives and foremen receive pay far in excess of the wages of ordinary workers.

Well, if Russia keeps on changing, in the same direction, maybe her present allies will feel safe in loving her.

Evidence of Progress

Just one year ago Radio Rome was saying: "Pantelleria's guns have disturbed the dreams of many who had basked in the pleasant belief of our impotence."

"There is no more room for the British in the Mediterranean; they can neither cross it with their transports to Egypt nor efficiently threaten our transports to Lybia. As a consequence, our convoys to Africa will arrive there with an ease and regularity infinitely greater than that with which the enemy's convoys can reach their ports."

War is a succession of battles. In this war we have had the battle of Poland, of France, of Britain, of the Atlantic, of the Pacific, of North Africa. Recently we have had the battle of Washington, a regular Kilkenny cat affair. Some blame it on the summer heat; others on the president. To date no one has thought of "original sin", which in former days would have got the most votes.

The war relocation authority is getting around. to separating the disloyal from loyal Japan-ese. The action, which is promised but not com-pleted, is needed, because the disloyal Japs conpleted is needed, because the disloyal Japs constantly poison the minds of the loyal Japs,
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Teacher Shortage

At present there is a lack of about 500 teachers to supply the schools of the state for next year. This is not a bad record, considering there are normally 8000 teachers in the state. It is made possible by the action of the legislature and the state board of education in authorizing the issuance of emergency certificates to persons not strictly eligible under the law but who are deemed competent to step in and teach in the emergency. In this group would be former teachers who have let their certificates lapse, teachers from other states who have not met the regular requirement of study of Oregon history and school law, and others who can undertake special courses for which they are

The shortage of teachers has forced the closing of many one-room schools, and would cause more to close were it possible to obtain suitable transportation for children. Now school buses are very hard to get. Since there have been too many weak schools, the "ill wind" may blow some good in encouraging consolidation.

It took a war to do it, but teachers' salaries are now up to very decent levels. They compare favorably with wages in business, outside of war-baby industries. They ought to attract more people to the teaching profession, but now high school graduates can get good jobs without further preparation and so are reluctant to go to normal school and take the required two- or three-year course to qualify for teaching. This condition will change, however. Society must make teaching attractive enough to draw and hold competent women- and menwho will do the job of instructing youth.

Congress which blew cold and hot by turns on roll-back subsidies, finally capitulated to the administration and authorized a continuance of the program until next January. The device is unsatisfactory, will not be fully effective; but it is about the only tool left in the kit with which to retard the pace of inflation.

News Behind The News By PAUL MALLON

(Distribution by King Features Syndicate, Inc. Repro-WASHINGTON, July &-Those who call themselves liberals are pressing suspicions against the

> are waving mildly the flag of General DeGaulle. A professed spokesman for

with Mr. Roosevelt, and again

this group is the indescribable agitating New York newspaper PM. This same newspaper dispatched its leading political

writer, Kenneth G. Crawford, to North Africa some weeks back to investigate the Giraud-DeGaulle controversy first hand Mr. Crawford is an eminent reporter, able, sincere, and a past president of the national newspaper

He found facts which did not justify the DeGaullist attitude of his paper, found the Roosevelt policy was not so sharply at variance with necessities

Paul Mallon

PM suppressed two of his articles, one predicting DeGaulle and Giraud never would be able to make a real alliance, and the other praising the diplomatic job by our consul, Bob Murphy. Others of his pieces were badly garbled in voice radio transmission, probably not deliberately.

But when Mr. Crawford returned to this country, learned of the suppression, and was confronted with the necessity of writing a round-up series to conform to editorial policy, like an honest writer. he quietly quit. He is now with the magazine News-

There must be more to this DeGaulle-Giraud situation than can be explained. Obviously, the De-Gaullist liberals do not wish to face the facts-or have them printed. Their DeGaulle agitations continue, heedless of realities that they go out of their way to ignore. For what purpose? An American

Conclusion of the MacArthur-Halsey campaign to clean out the Solomons should not be expected swiftly. Presence of 30,000 scattered Jap units throughout that area presages a long and difficult job. If it is finished by the end of summer, most authorities would be satisfied.

Surely, however, it will not take as long as Guadalcanal where 20,000 Japs (augmented frequently by reinforcements) were able to cling to their trees in the jungle for six months, from August to Feb-

Mr. Roosevelt said declining severity of the nazi sub warfare soon may allow abandonment of rationing on sugar and coffee, but he said nothing about gasoline, which is far more important to most people, and the first product to fall as a fatality of

There are two reasons. Our gasoline and oil are being consumed at the battle fronts of the world at an unbelievable pace, some say a million barrels a day. Tankers destroyed in the first nazl sub attacks have not yet been replaced, but soon will be. Second reason is the administrative handling of

the oil and gas problem from the beginning. Doubt it if you dare, but the office of defense transportation now estimates the railroads could handle 40,-000 barrels a day more to the eastern seaboard if Mr. Ickes would only give them more gas to carry.

The bottleneck now is in refineries. Mr. Ickes

will be blamed for not allowing expansion of re-fining and storage facilities earlier in the game. Four government bureaus are now handling this subject—those of Messis. Ickes, Brown, and East-man. One or more of them will, or should, soon tell Ickes his 328,000 barrel allotment of transportation for civilian use in the east during July, August and September is much lower than the transportation situation warrants.

A movement is afoot to tighten rationing in the west and use the gas savings to ease the situation in the east, but this will run up against objections. Eastern oil interests own Texas and Oklahor oil and would have to buy from their competitors



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Today's Radio Programs

7:00—News. 7:15—Texas Rangers. 7:30—Memory Timek

9:30—Eug. 9:00—News. 10:15—Curtain Calls. 10:20—This and That.

comics page.

Next day's programs appear on

Valley Folks.

8:30—Shauy 8:30—News, 8:45—What's New, 9:30—Boake Carter, 9:35—Woman's Side of the News, 9:30—Edgewater Arsenal Band,

2:15—Texas Rangers. 2:36—All Star Dance Parade. 2:45—Wartime Women.

6-00-Frank Singiser.

John B. Hughes.

Movie Parade. Lone Ranger.

KSLM-FRIDAY-1390 Ke. 7:00—News in Strict. 7:05—Rise 'n' Strine. 30—News. 45—Morning Moods. 05—Rhythm Pive. :35—Tango Time, :00—Pastor's Call. :15—Uncle Sam. 30—Popular Music. 30—World in Review. 35—A Song and A Dance. 10:30—Langworth String Quartet. 11:30—Maxine Buren. 11:30—Hits of Yesteryear. 12:30—Organalities. 12:15—News. 12:30—Hillbilly Serenade. 12:35—Matinee. 1:00-Lum 'n' Abner. -Milady's Melodie :45—Spotlight on Rhythm. :40—Spirit of the Vikings. :15—US Navy. :30—State Safety Program. -Broadway Band Wagor -KSLM Concert Hour. Charles Magnante. News. -Teatime Tunes.
-Merrick's Vocal Group.
-Records of Barriery. 5:30—Gypsy Orchestra. 6:00—Tonight's Headlin -Tonight's Headlines,
-War News Commentary,
-Evening Serenade,
-Popular Music,
-News in Brief. 8:45—Treasury Star Parade. 9:00—News. 9:30—Guest Night. 10:00—Serenade.

KATP_MRS_PRIDAY_1336 Ke. 6:45-Uncle Sam.

8:45—Music Without Words, 9:00—News.

Interpreting The War News

By GLENN BABB AP War Analyist for The Statesman

Whatever the real nazi objective in the new and stdupendous battle in Russia is, the fighting is raging under circumstances tending to forbid any present Japanese intervention to aid her fellow conspirators in Germany and Italy.

Russia has small need to fear a stab-in-the-back from Japan at this stage. American offensive moves in the south and southwest Pacific and in Aleutian theatres made it all but inconceivable that Tokyo could be dragooned by Berlin into striking at Siberia.

The Japanese war lords are definitely confronted today with what Prime Minister Churchill so recently called the "supreme challenge" of American sea power. He had a hand in Washington high strategy councils in the shaping of events in the Pa-cific calculated to lure the Japanese main fleet to decisive ac-

It probably would be going much too far to say that the American Pacific offensives are actually coordinated with expected developments in Russia. That they were timed in relation to what was being prepared against the axis for delivery this year from Africa and the British

Isles is obvious.

Taking the weight of axis pressure off Russia was an officially stated prime purpose of the Washington-revised strategy directives, however, and included in that pressure as Moscow must view it has been the pos-sibility of a Japanese blow at Siberia timed, as was the attack on Pearl Harbor, to meet axis

A global war calls for global strategy, even if there is much to indicate that Anglo-American leadership to its regret has not yet succeeded in integrating its own and Russian operational

It is permissible, therefore, to

George C. Marshall, army chief of staff, calls for the "pattern of victory" followed by the United Nations. They are an integral part of what Moscow and Berlin now stress as "the battle of Kursk," remote as they

are geographically. And that Berlin phrase, contained in a non-official broadcast which for the first time admitted it was an offensive, not a defensive fight the nazi armies in Russia are waging, still leaves doubt as to its strategic or tactical objectives. It implies that it is only reduction of the Kursk salient thrusting deeply westward between Orel and Belgorod that is aimed at.

The Kursk salient, last indicated as extending from 40 to 60 miles west of the important rail center from which it takes its name, is dangerous to the Germans. It gravely threatens the main rail and road communication network via Bryansk, Smolensk and Vitebsk upon which depends the whole south flank of the nazi front in Russia to Tagonrog on the Azov

To remove that threat, or perhaps to pen the way for another lunge at Moscow or to the Don and beyond to the Volga again, Berlin has committed its forces to major action. The breadth of the base line of the attack, nearly 200 miles from Orel to Belgorod, tends to refute the suggestion that it is merely eli tion of the narrow Kursk sali-ent that is being attempted. Yet Russian resistance, even

by Berlin admission, is so stout that more and more nazi re-serves are being poured in. The moment is nearing when Ger-man forces will be engaged so eply and on a scale so great that breaking off the action would be impossible without disaster. And that moment may have much to do with the tim9:15—Speaking of Sports, 9:30—General Barrows, 9:45—Fulton Lewis, 10:00—Attack on Attu.

11:00—Cheer Up Gang. KEX-BN-FRIDAY-1190 Ke. 6:00-We're Up Too. 6:15-National Farm and Home 7:30 News.
7:45 Gene and Glenn.
8:00 Breakfast Club.
9:00 My True Story.
8:30 Breakfast at Sardi's.
0:00 Baukhage Talking. -Woman's World. -The Mystery Chef, -Lawson's Knights. -Labor News. -Clancey Calli ass with the News. The Latest Word.

:30—News. 1:45—Archie Andrews. :00—The Sea Hound. :15—Dick Tracy. :30—Jack Armstrong. :45—Captain Midnight. :00—Hop Harrigan. :15—News. :20—Spotlight Bands. :55—Sports.

7:20—OWI Reports.
7:45—Talk.
8:00—Earl Godwin, News.
8:15—Parker Family.
8:20—Gang Busters.
9:20—Meet Your Navy.
9:20—News Headlines.
9:45—Down Memory Lane.
10:20—Deep River Boys.
10:30—Eye Witness News.
10:35—Modern Music Bow.
11:00—This Moving World.
11:25—Orchestra.
11:20—War News Roundup.

KOIN-CBS-FRIDAY-910 Ke. 618 Northwest Farm Reporter.
6:15 Breakfast Bulletin.
6:20 Texas Rangers.
6:45 Koin Riock.
7:15 Wake Up News.
7:20 Dick Joy. News.
7:35 Nelson Pringle, News.
8:30 Consumer News.
8:15 Valiant Lady.
8:30 Stories America Loves.
8:45 Aunt Jenay.
9:00 Kate Smith Speaks.
8:15 Big Sister.
8:20 Romance of Helen Trent. 145—Bachelor's Children.
1:00—Home Front Reporter.
1:30—Uncle Sam.
1:45—Mountain Music.
1:00—Newspaper of the Air.
1:36—This Life is Mine.
1:45—Keep the Home Fires But 1:00—News.
1:15—Today at the Duncan's. -Harry Flannery. 5—Cecil Brown, News. 5-Oregon at War. 6—American Comedy Theatre.
15. Elmer Davis.
16.—I Love A Mystery.
16.—Secret Weapon.
16.—Playhouse.
16.—The Whistler.
16.—Adventures of the Thin Man.
16.—Five Star Final.

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'American Bred'

Chapter 33 Continued Flashing curved scissors cut back long hairs to give a sharp flesh line. Rowdy's beautiful, ever-curious whiskers were deftly snipped, and her ears clipped and rubbed until they were as translucent as old black English porcelain. Next, sand and em papers; after that, a soft groom-ing brush to burnish her coat to a flawless perfection; and last of all, brillantine until she was fashioned into a glowing living thing of highlights and dark

Rowdy seemed to take to it as if it were an old story in her life. "You're just eating it up, you glamour girl!" Ann said huskily, feeling like a mother who sees her baby suddenly transformed into a debutante. Paul sat back on his heels and

viewed his work, "Well," he approved, "that's all that man can do for her. She has to go the rest of the way on her own." "She's magnificent!" Ann breathed. "It hardly seems fair.

to doll her up like this." "Fair? Sure it's fair," he brusquely declared. "I can't make her a better dog than she is, but I can make the best of what's she's got, and then all I can do is hope the judge knows what to look for-Now come on,

we're late." As they returned to the bench. a fawn dog was paraded by, his handler carrying a purple rib-

"Oh." Ann exclaimed in mingled hope and dismay, "we've missed the show!"

"No such luck. That's 'Peterson's Achille; he took Winner's Male.-Hi, Pete, congratulations -" He turned back to Ann. "Our classes are just coming up, we've still got a wait ahead of us. Puppies, Limit, Novice, and then American Bred-that's us. You better go over to the ring. You'll just get nervous hanging around here."

Paul wasn't nervous. He was a portrait of a calm and collected young man, lighting a cigarette by holding the trembling match a full six inches away from it. The puppies had already been judged by the time Anr reached the ring. A whitehaired old gentleman with a military waxed moustache was handing out four ribbons, blue, red, white and yellow. Ann eyed the winner with misgiving. What a magnificent animal! It had been nothing short of madness to let Rowdy in for this-a schoolgirl's dream that she could retrieve Paul's fortunes by a kind of Miss Horatio Alger fairy tale.

The novices were being led into the ring. She saw Christopher hand over Gretel's leash to Hans. Then he caught sight of her, and came over and stood beside her.

"Excited?" "No." Her voice sounded to her ears like wind through dry

leaves. "Are you?" "Me? Oh, this is an old story." In spite of his bravado, she noticed that he, too, was having her legs.

12:00—Story of Mary Marlin,
12:15—Ma Perkins.
12:15—Ma Perkins.
12:30—Pepper Young's Family.
12:45—Right to Happiness.
1:00—Backstage Wife,
1:15—Stella Dallas.
1:30—Lorenzo Jones.
1:45—Young Widder Brown.
2:00—When a Girl Marries.
2:15—Portia Faces Life.
2:20—Just Pinin' Bill.
2:45—Front Page Farrell.
3:00—Road of Life.
3:15—Vie and Sade.
3:30—Snow Village. 30 Snow Village. 46 Judy and Jane. 50 Dr. Rate. 15 News of the World. are Funny. Riggs and Betty Lou.

100—Talk.
100—Fred Waring in Pleasure Time.
115—Fleetwood Lawton.
130—Your All-Time Hit Parade.
130—Furlough Fun.
130—Hollywood Theatre.
130—News Flashes.
135—Your Home Town News.
135—Labor News. 230 Gardening for Food, 245-H. V Kaltenber 200-Uncle 11:30—Uncle Sam, 11:35—Hotel Biltmore Orchestra. 11:35—War News Roundup. 12:30—2:30 a.m.—Swing Shift. KOAC-PRIDAY-550 EA

y Star Parade.

15—Latin Rhythms.
16—Stories for Boys and Girls.
16—Con the Upbest.
16—Evening Vespers.
15—It's Oregon's War. Music News. Tincle Sam

lifficulty lighting his cigarette In the end, he puffed it cold for a moment, and then carefully ground out coals that had never

"I like the judge," Ann whis-pered. "He looks like a daguer-

rectype."

"He's, good," Christopher whispered back. "Best in the circuit. Knows his dogs. Name's Barrie, Dr. Seth Barrie, There Yes, it had commenced-like

some mysterious performance of initiation. The dogs paraded in a large circle, while the judge knelt with supernatural intent-ness. Then they wheeled into an extended line, and he exam-ined each animal as if he were taking it apart and putting it together again. He looked at mouth, eyes, ears. He put his hand on their quarters and let his weight test soundness of limb, after which he put each dog through its paces, walking, gaiting, and standing still. And never so much as by a flicker of an eye did he disclose his mind. As he came to Gretel. Ann's hand went out to Christopher's arm. She looked up at him and saw that his face was set and a little pale.

"Gretel's lost," he muttered grimly. "The fawn's got it." "Don't be silly, it's impossible

But Wain was right. As long as she lived Ann would never know by what subtle shades of penetration Christopher had discerned it, for it was minutes later when Dr. Barrie picked up a handful of ribbons, and, like a general commanding troops, indicated the four dogs of his choice. After what seemed an eternity, he placed Gretel sec-ond in line, and with a small ceremonious bow before the fawn, presented the handler with the ribbon.

"Oh-" Ann cried a little moan of disappointment. "I'm so terribly sorry!"

Wain glanced at her. "Thanks. really think you mean it." "Oh, I do!" "It makes it pretty tough on Paul. Unless," he gave a short laugh, "Rowdy saves the day."

"Don't-" Ann implored. He caught her hand, "I didn't mean it that way. Look here, you're trembling. You mustn't."
"I had no right to enter her," Ann confessed abjectly. "At first

I did it to spite you. Nothing good ever came of spite-"
"Nonsense, you believe in the

Ann smiled. "The funny part And then she saw Rowdy entering the ring with Paul, and the world went black.

Rowdy walked like a woman losing a stecking and having girdle trouble at one and the same time. She held one ear erect; the other she wore with absent-minded carelessness. A car backfired in the distance. She came to attention, jumping like a startled camel, her tail shooting ignominiously between

Paul's face glistened with perspiration, and his coat showed damp spots across the back. People started to snicker. She heard a light tinkling laugh close at hand and looked around to see Brenda smiling up at Christopher. (To be continued)

Today's Garden By LILLIE L. MADSEN

A number of inquiries have been received regarding calla lilies. Now I have before me a letter from a correspondent at Amity who tells about her calls lilies and this might be of interest to the various readers who have made inquiries during the past few months.

"My calla lilies," writes Mrs. Robert C. Mitchell, "are often covered with immense flowers from March until November. Last December 19, when we left for California, I left three buds in a vase picked on that day, and a month later when we returned, they were wide open, waiting for us.

Mine are very hardy, as the past two winters have been a test. The men haul fresh cow manure and cover them six inches or more in the fall and again in the spring. About every month through the summer I put a quart or more of commercial fertilizer between the rows. Of course we have lots of water. The rows are 20 feet

Mrs. Mitchell evidently knows how to grow calls lilles. Perhaps this advice may be useful to some other growers or wouldbe growers.





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