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"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe"  
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## Lend-Lease in Russia

If, as seems to be the case, the Russians have stopped the German drive with massed armor on the Kurak region southwest of Moscow, it is probable that our own lend-lease deserves much of the credit. The Russians describe the battle as the biggest armored battle of all time, and claim a daily destruction of 500 enemy tanks, truly a startling figure, one pretty hard to assimilate at this distance. The Russians are probably exaggerating the dimensions of the attack to magnify their own success in defense.

If the Germans poured into such a narrow sector so large a weight of armor and metal, and the Russians have stopped them with such scant loss of ground, then the nazis are whipped in Russia, and can never hope to capture Moscow or reach the oil fields of the Caucasus. In gaining this victory undoubtedly planes, tank-destroyers, tanks and trucks contributed by the western allies have played an important part. Russia appears to have been able to knock out nazi planes from the sky and retain air superiority. The ground equipment furnished in quantities under lend-lease must have helped out substantially,—to say nothing of the food and medical supplies which we have been sending in quantity to Russia.

We do not begrudge our contributions in the light of its effective use in stopping the nazis. We can't expect the Russians to take all the physical risk of battle while we confine ourselves to furnishing supplies. But our part is not the less potent if, until we can engage the enemy directly we can supply powerful weapons to those who, like the Russians are already engaged.

## Food Control

One thing on which there appears to be general agreement is that the national administration has badly muffed the ball in its handling of foods, as to production, distribution and pricing. Some time ago ex-President Hoover, one of the greatest authorities on the subject in the whole world, urged a centralizing of authority over foods, instead of having it scattered, as it has been among many agencies. This wasn't done, and Chester Davis quit as administrator because he found he didn't have power to handle his task.

However badly the business has been managed, it remains a fact that controls of the provisions of the American people is a complicated and difficult undertaking. The Food Industry War committee, headed by Clarence A. Francis of General Foods found this out when it met and tried to agree on a program. The 20 members found they couldn't agree among themselves on what ought to be done,—and they were top-flight men right in the food business.

Peter Edson, a Washington columnist who writes for the NEA service, related something of the grief of the committee as revealed in a press conference called by Mr. Francis. We take the liberty of quoting a few paragraphs from his recent column:

"When Mr. Francis complained about the 260 million man hours of labor required to handle ration stamps, he was asked if he were against rationing. Oh, no! The committee was for rationing — BUT — a new balance should be struck to bring prices in line with increased labor costs. Just try to figure out the logic of that."

"The committee was unanimous in its opinion that OPA was being run inefficiently and not in the public interest — BUT — they had to be charitable to OPA because the law said it must observe parity, apply ceilings as of Sept. 15, and allow for reasonable profits. The committee didn't believe the dictates of the law could be carried out unless subsidies were used — BUT — they were opposed to subsidies. Where does that leave you?"

"They opposed OPA's plan of having several price ceilings for stores doing different volume of business — BUT — they favored a single price ceiling which would force the smaller, 'less efficient' stores out of business. Then they complained about the large number of stores being forced out of business by OPA."

"The food industry was not interested solely in profits — BUT — present OPA policies had resulted in squeezing profits, resulting in losses by wholesalers and retailers."

"The financial statements of the industry for the six months would show good profits — BUT — the industry hadn't been making any money since May 10, when the OPA local dollars and cents ceilings on specific food items went into effect."

"They favored the placing of food production, distribution and price control under the administration of a single agency 'in a matter of hours, not of days' — BUT — after a two-day session of their own they were unable to write a report expressing their ideas."

"And so on."

"One of the restrictions which the recent runaway session of the House proposed for OPA was that only men from the industry concerned should be permitted to work on its staff and make its decisions. The performance of the Food Industry War committee outlined above would seem to indicate this might be, to put it mildly, somewhat questionable."

All of which reminds one of Portia's famous utterance: "If to do were as easy as to know what were good to be done, chapels had been churches and poor men's cottages prince's palaces." But even wise Portia made no comment when people can't agree on "what were good to be done," which seems to be the case with our food supply.

Spokesmen for the unions which collect toll from the workers in shipyards defend their charge on this ground: these workers ought to be willing to contribute to the union which has secured such "splendid wages" for them. Now the unioners are seeking an increase in the already "splendid wages." If they get it maybe they will claim a higher percentage for their share.

## Jap Naval Losses

The London Tribune, a sort of English New Republic, criticizes the allies for overstating forces of the enemy and overstating enemy losses. It says that if all the claims of our navy as to sinkings of Jap warships are true Japan would have only 35 ships left.

Only the war and navy records, which will not be available until the war is over, for independent investigation, will disclose the truth. We have claimed destruction of many Japanese naval vessels, but except for a few battleships and heavy cruisers our claims have extended only to light cruisers and destroyers. Our navy does claim to have knocked out plenty of these; and this fact is certain, that in all the naval engagements since the battle of the Java sea our forces remained in possession of the waters where the fighting occurred.

Regardless of what number of ships of the Japanese the American navy has destroyed, it is generally conceded that Japan's battle fleet remains intact. The great body of its battleships and heavy cruisers are still afloat, held in reserve for the "battle of Japan." That battle will surely come off. It might occur if our forces move in on Truk; or it might be deferred until the fleets of America and Great Britain move into the waters of Japan's home islands. But come off it surely will; and it will be the greatest battle in naval history in points of tonnage engaged and tonnage lost or damaged. On this man's errand, we are sure not to send a boy in the way of a light naval force. So we are confident of the result when this predicted battle takes place.

## Shipbuilding Record

A few days ago we made reference to possible comparison of the record of the Keiser shipyards in Portland to that of the government at the Hog Island yard in world war 1. Now we have that comparison:

In the single year, 1942, Oregon Shipbuilding corporation built and delivered more ships in its 11-way yards than Hog Island did in its 50 ways during the period from 1917 to 1922. The capital investment in Oregon Ship is only one-fourth the amount that was invested at Hog Island.

The three Kaiser shipyards in the Portland area are said on very high authority to be the most efficient in the whole world. Oregon Ship shows the lowest rate of man-hours per ton in ships it produces.

With this marvelous record it ought to follow that these shipbuilding facilities, or the major portion of them, should be used to produce ships when the war ends. That is why it is important to get the Victory ship production started at Oregon Ship. This type of vessel is larger and faster, better adapted for the competition of peacetime shipping.

May we repeat what we have said before: Oregon must look to the sea, must capitalize on its location fronting the Pacific ocean. Our people must become more sea- and ship-minded, and less land-minded. Here we can build ships; let us continue to do so, and then employ them in world commerce.

Could it be that the new barber law would backfire on its sponsors? The present union scale is 65c for haircuts; but it is reported that the barbers in their balloting expressed a preference for a 50c charge. If the law would require a reduction to 50c by all shops that would be something the sponsors of the bill hadn't figured on.

Congress has adjourned for a summer vacation of ten weeks. Isn't it playing a mean trick on the despised bureaucrats, who are thus left to simmer and parboil in the sticky Washington heat?

## Editorial Comment

From Other Papers

### LET THE PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT THIS

In the early days of the Roosevelt regime, whenever it was desired to bring about some change in the social structure, to develop a new phase of the new deal or to smear some group or interest, it was the practice to bring about a congressional investigation by means of which the faults and weaknesses of the existing order were thrown on the screen of publicity and popular support for the desired change secured. At times in the process the bounds of legality were exceeded as was the case when, on one occasion, certain income tax reports were made public without authority. On another Senator KKK Black seized telegrams in a move later condemned by the court of which he is now a member.

We recall these matters as we read that a partisan majority refuses to approve an investigation of the Wallace-Jones controversy over expenditures for critical war materials. This controversy is bitter. The principals in it occupy high position. The subject is one of great importance. Its connection with the war effort is obvious and the people who are supporting the war with their taxes and bond purchases and whose sons are fighting in it are entitled to know the facts and, knowing the facts, to force a correction of whatever may be wrong.

The refusal of the Democrat members of the committee to vote the investigation suggests their fear of what an investigation will turn up. In short, here is another matter on which the administration prefers secrecy to full publicity with the people permitted to know what goes on. — Bend Bulletin.

### TIME LAG

There are many editorial perils in trying to keep comment in pace with the changing of events, not to mention expressing the correct opinion. This is particularly a problem for the national magazine. For example, The Saturday Evening Post of this week, which carries the date of July 10, devotes its lead editorial to a plea for full authority for Chester C. Davis to handle the war food situation. The editorial which has as its title, "Why Not Give the New Food Administrator a Chance?" by reason of advance printing schedules, fails to recognize that the new administrator is now already the old administrator and has been replaced after he and the President chose to differ. — Forest Grove News-Times.



'Stomach Ulcers'

## Today's Radio Programs

- Next day's programs appear on coming page.
- 1:00-Report from London.
  - 1:15-Music.
  - 1:30-Calling Pan-America.
  - 2:00-Newspaper of the Air.
  - 2:30-Pastor's Call.
  - 3:15-People's Platform.
  - 3:45-News.
  - 4:00-Man Behind the Gun.
  - 4:30-State Traffic.
  - 4:45-Air-Flite of the Air.
  - 5:00-Music.
  - 5:30-Old Chisholm Trail.
  - 5:45-News.
  - 6:00-Serious Reverend News.
  - 6:00-The Man Behind the Gun.
  - 6:30-SPARS and WAVES.
  - 6:45-Naturist Night Serenade.
  - 7:15-Healtham Concert.
  - 7:30-Thanks to the Yanks.
  - 8:30-Happy Lobby.
  - 8:35-News.
  - 9:00-Bit Parade.
  - 9:45-Don't You Believe It.
  - 10:00-Five Star Final.
  - 10:15-Soldiers of the Press.
  - 10:30-Orchestra.
  - 11:30-Manny Strand Orchestra.
  - 11:45-News.
  - Midnight to 6 a.m.—Music and News.
- KGW-NBC-SATURDAY-430 Kc.**
- 4:00-Dawn Patrol.
  - 6:00-Everything Goes.
  - 6:30-News Parade.
  - 7:30-News Reel Presenta.
  - 7:45-Sun News.
  - 8:00-Organ Concert.
  - 8:15-James Abbe Covers the News.
  - 8:30-Rose Room.
  - 8:45-Vegetables for Victory.
  - 9:00-Music Room.
  - 9:15-Consumer's Time.
  - 9:30-Birth and Madness.
  - 10:00-Uncle Sam.
  - 10:30-All Out for Victory.
  - 10:45-War Telescope.
  - 11:00-Star of Tomorrow.
  - 12:00-US Air Force Band.
  - 12:30-News.
  - 12:45-Visiting Nurse.
  - 1:00-Matinee in Rhythm.
  - 1:30-Minutrel Melodies.
  - 2:00-If They Come Tonight.
  - 2:30-Trio.
  - 3:00-News by Alex Drier.
  - 3:30-Music.
  - 3:45-News.
  - 4:00-Art of Living.
  - 4:30-For This We Fight.
  - 4:45-Noah Webster Says.
  - 5:00-Serenade.
  - 5:15-They Might Live.
  - 5:45-Louis F. Lochner.
  - 6:00-National Dance.
  - 6:30-Can You Top This?
  - 7:00-Million Dollar Band.
  - 7:30-Grand Ol' Opry.
  - 8:00-News.
  - 8:15-Drama.
  - 8:30-Oregon in Congress.
  - 9:15-Music.
  - 9:30-Mystery of the Month.
  - 10:15-Pasadena Auditorium Orch.
  - 10:30-News.
  - 11:30-Hotel Biltmore Orchestra.
  - 11:45-News.
  - 12:00-2 a.m.—Swing Shift.
- KOAC-SATURDAY-350 Kc.**
- 10:15-Homenaker's Hour.
  - 11:00-Music of the Masters.
  - 12:00-News.
  - 12:15-Noon Farm Hour.
  - 1:30-Artist's Recital.
  - 1:45-War Commentary.
  - 1:50-Variety Time.
  - 2:30-Books and Authors.
  - 2:45-Speak Up for Democracy.
  - 3:30-Memory Book of Music.
  - 3:45-News.
  - 4:00-Concert Hall.
  - 4:30-Traffic Safety Quiz.
  - 4:45-The Best of the Best.
  - 5:00-Stories for Boys and Girls.
  - 5:30-On the Upbeat.
  - 5:45-Evening News.
  - 6:00-It's Oregon's War.
  - 6:15-News.
  - 6:30-Reading Farm Hour.
  - 7:30-Music.
  - 8:00-Opera.
  - 8:45-Excursions in Science.
  - 9:30-News.
  - 9:45-Treasury Star Parade.
- KEM-SUNDAY-130 Kc.**
- 9:00-Longworth Fourstars.
  - 9:30-News in Brief.
  - 9:45-Spiritual Interlude.
  - 9:55-Organ, Harp, Viola Trio.
  - 10:00-Gospel.
  - 10:30-World in Review.
  - 10:45-Music.
  - 11:00-30th Tunes of Tomorrow.
  - 11:15-American Lutheran Church.
  - 11:30-News.
  - 11:45-War Commentary.
  - 12:00-Golden Melody.
  - 1:00-Parade People's Church.
  - 1:30-Music.
  - 2:00-Parade of Paradise.
  - 2:15-Voice of Restoration.
  - 2:30-Vocal Varieties.
  - 2:45-Super Symphony.
  - 3:00-Boys' Town.
  - 4:00-Skipper Henderson and Crew.
  - 4:15-Modern Melody Trio.
  - 4:30-Alex. Brillant Russian Orch.
  - 5:00-Old Fashioned Revival Hour.
  - 5:30-News.
  - 6:15-Antis Boyer and Tomboyers.
  - 6:30-Del. Courtney Orchestra.
  - 6:45-Bob Hamilton's Colossus.
  - 7:30-Longworth Novelty and Sales Group.
  - 8:00-Methodist Church.
  - 8:30-Music.
  - 9:00-News Summary.
  - 9:15-News.
  - 9:30-Back Home Home.
  - 10:00-News.
  - 10:30-Drama Time.
- KALB-SUNDAY-120 Kc.**
- 9:00-Central Church of Christ.
  - 9:15-Rev. V. W. McLean.
  - 9:30-Parade People's Church.
  - 9:45-News.
  - 10:00-Music.
  - 10:15-News of the Hi-Ways.
  - 10:30-Pastor's Call.
  - 11:00-Phyllis Noon.
- KEM-SUNDAY-350 Kc.**
- 6:00-News of the World.
  - 6:15-Organist.
  - 6:30-Church of the Air.
  - 7:00-Wing Over Jordan.
  - 8:00-Warren Sweeney News.
  - 8:30-West Coast Church.
  - 8:30-Invitation to Learning.
  - 9:00-Salk Lake Tabernacle.
  - 9:30-News of the Week.
  - 9:45-Music.
  - 10:00-Church of the Air.
  - 10:30-Trans-Atlantic Call.
  - 11:00-Opera.
  - 11:30-World News Today.
  - 11:45-Muffet Show.
  - 12:00-News.
  - 1:00-The Pause that Refreshes on the Air.
  - 2:00-The Family Hour.
  - 2:45-Deer John.
  - 3:00-Silver Theatre.
  - 3:30-Sgt Gene Autry.
  - 4:00-Commandos.
  - 4:30-Questions of the Week.
  - 5:00-News.
  - 5:15-Songs for Sunday.
  - 5:30-William Winter News.
  - 5:45-Music.
  - 6:00-Eric Severson.
  - 6:30-Radio Beauty Digest.
  - 6:30-Summer Theatre.
  - 7:00-Tab It or Leave It.
  - 7:30-News.
  - 7:45-Concert.
  - 8:00-Crime Doctor.
  - 8:30-The Church in Your Home.
  - 9:00-Calling America.
  - 9:30-Beauty Talk.
  - 10:00-News.
  - 10:30-Five Star Final.
  - 10:45-Wartime Women.
  - 11:00-News of the Air.
  - 11:30-Orchestra.
  - 11:45-Music.
  - 12:00-News.
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- 6:00-News.
  - 6:15-Commando Mary.
  - 6:30-News.
  - 7:30-Bible.
  - 7:45-Words and Music.
  - 8:00-The Church in Your Home.
  - 8:30-News.
  - 8:45-The Dining Sisters.
  - 9:00-News.
  - 9:30-That They Might Live.
  - 10:00-Super Sunday.
  - 10:15-Labor for Victory.
  - 10:30-We Believe.
  - 10:45-Chicago Round Table.
  - 11:00-John Charles Thomas.
  - 11:30-Washington Reports on Radio.
  - 12:00-Upton Class Commentator.
  - 12:30-The Army Hour.
  - 1:00-News of the Air.
  - 1:30-Music.
  - 1:45-Lympny Orchestra.
  - 2:00-News and Highlights.
  - 2:15-Catholic Hour.
  - 2:30-News.
  - 2:45-News.
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## 'American Bred'

By FRANK MELONEY

Chapter 33 Continued  
"To bad about Gretel. I was so hoping that she'd come up against Konstantina in Specials. It would have been dramatic. But maybe Miss River's dog will take your place..." She turned her smile on Ann. "You are Miss Rivers, aren't you? I met your sister up at your farm. Such a charming person. And I saw your puppy at the Sweepstakes—Well, here's hoping that she has better luck today."

Ann was aware of the guilty flush on Christopher's face and forgot her own troubles in his unhappy embarrassment. It was wicked to let him go on paying for his mistaken chivalry.  
"Oh, we lose today and win tomorrow," she tossed out lightly, and broke off as Doctor Barrie walked in Rowdy's direction. Rowdy sank down on her rear, as if she were losing not only her stockings but all her petticoats as well. The crowd uttered indeed they had never stopped uttering.

"Oh, he's going to do it," Ann winced. "He's going to send her out of the ring. She closed her eyes, only to open them again with horror's morbid fascination. But no. Doctor Barrie was not throwing Rowdy out of the ring. He was standing beside her, gently stroking her head, and under his touch, Rowdy was growing quieter. Ann was filled with gratitude. "Oh, bless him for that! If only he'd pat Paul, too, to quiet him. Why do people let themselves in for this kind of thing. It's perverse torture."

Doctor Barrie gestured Rowdy back into the parading line and the torture commenced again. As the line circled toward Ann, she opened her lips to call to the dog.

"No, don't!" Christopher's grip was like iron. "It's against the rules."

"Oh, I'm sorry." Her voice must have carried, for Rowdy stopped, ears a-kew, and scanned the spectators in an effort to find her mistress. The ringside began to laugh again.

"That's the five thousand dollar claim dog!"

"That's the one!"  
"Highest priced monkey meat in the world!"  
And then, all of a sudden, Rowdy caught sight of Ann, and confusion and bewilderment seemed to vanish. The dog's outer form underwent no change, but it was as if some vivid current of life were infused within it. It was as if a new animal were being created before the very eyes of those who but an instant before, had only ridicule for the spectacle of a befuddled puppy. The laughter faded into silence.  
Rowdy stood there, vulnerable

## Interpreting The War News

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Assuming that significant national holidays have psychological values even in the eyes of hard-headed military folk—and they have—axis invasion nerves should be on edge next week.

Wednesday next, July 14, is Bastille day. For 154 years that has been the date symbol of the birth of democracy in France; the day Frenchmen have saluted as Americans do on the Fourth of July.  
No day in all the year could be more fitting for a beginning to be made from within and without upon the grim business of liberating France again from tyranny and oppression. No day could so appeal to French and American hearts alike as sanctified by their faith in government of the people, by the people and for the people.  
Axis invaders are well aware of that. Next week as the people of France, stirred to high hope by the dull, distant thunder of battle in the Mediterranean and the devastating rumble of allied bomb blasting over the island outposts of ill-omened Italy, keep trist yet brave memories their axis warders will be alert everywhere for uprisings.

They will be alert, too, all along the Mediterranean shore line for the Anglo-American invasion thrusts they know are coming but not when or just where.  
That is what is now going on over Sicily and Sardinia. How far this preliminary air softening up process is to be carried can only be conjectured. It is quite clear, however, that the Pantelasia results have already influenced the plans of General Dwight D. Eisenhower and his Staff, perhaps led to some deferment of previously scheduled invasion dates while the efficacy of air power to pave the way for major amphibian expeditions and greatly cut the casualty potential is tried out fully.

**Diamonds**

When you want to express all the hope and love in your heart, give to the one who means most to you in this world, a Diamond—long to be treasured and to reflect all that you want it to mean.

**Stardust**

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