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"No Favor Stings Us; No Fear Shall Awe"  
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## Kimmel Court Martial

Admiral Kimmel says he is ready for court martial proceedings to go to trial, but because he knows the hearings would take the time of men carrying heavy responsibilities in the war he is willing to postpone the proceedings until the war is over. As he and General Short have agreed to waive any claims under the statute of limitations which requires proceedings to start within two years after the alleged offense, the trial can be deferred until later.

There must be a formal trial in which the admiral and general may appear and present their defense against the charges of negligence which permitted the stunning surprise and defeat at Pearl Harbor. But there will need to be more than a formal trial. Scholars and historians will need to delve into the files of the state, war and navy departments to correlate all the events leading up to the Jap attack. It is true that the Washington officials published a sort of white paper containing the file of advice to the commanding officers, but more complete records must be examined, including what steps were taken by the high command to correlate authority between war and navy commanders in the field.

One subject for thorough investigation should be the policy of the state department in repressing Japan in terms of our military ability to restrain Japan. Various bits of information have been released to the effect that Roosevelt and Hull were trying to prolong the negotiations while our strength was being accumulated. But was the timing very accurate? The published notes clearly indicated in the summer and fall of 1941 that a breach was imminent. Americans had been evacuated generally from the orient. Yet we had sent to the Philippines only a pitifully small military force, and only a few planes. In other words we failed to support our bluff with strength. The Japs knew this, but knew we were rearming. So they decided to strike before we were prepared. Their timing and strategy were excellent. In the space of a very few months they had captured the Philippines, Hong Kong, Singapore, the Dutch East Indies—a vast and incalculably rich empire.

So the Kimmel-Short court martial will be only one phase of the investigation which will be made when conditions permit. It will be the scholars rather than the officials who will give the most complete and unbiased study of all the materials and render the best verdict.

## Motor "Dimout"

While the dimout is modified, and the weather reports are to appear in the papers (delayed a bit on this coast for military approval) the people of western United States are jerked up short to the fact that the war isn't over by the order cutting value of gasoline coupons from four to three gallons. For a card holders that means 25 per cent less driving. For B and C drivers it means they will have to prove their case before they get additional coupons.

No one can say we were not warned. We were, and most people have been keeping their tanks brimming for several days now in anticipation of the coupon cut. And there is little resistance to the reduction. If it is necessary we will put up with it. This time the purpose is to save gasoline, not rubber (though the rubber situation is still very tight). Nor is it caused by transportation difficulties. Subs have not molested coastal tankers for months. The reason, which we must accept, is the greatly expanded use of gasoline in military operations. The planes and other military vehicles being turned out in enormous quantities have huge appetites for gasoline and other motor fuels. As the war in the Pacific develops and more craft are used, more gasoline is required. As Secretary Ickes says, the military consumption in 1942 was only 23 per cent of the total for the western states; in 1943 it is 43 per cent; and will be 52 per cent in 1944.

Closer checking might result in great savings of gasoline. Estimates are usually generous for the consumer, and the statistics of gasoline consumption show the decrease is still of modest dimensions. The people do not like snooters and tell-tales; but unless there is some degree of supervision some of the B and C users will still abuse their privileges.

## Ousting Tommy Ray

If even a portion of the charges made against Tom Ray, business agent of the Portland Boilermakers' union for years was true, then the action of the national president in removing him from his position as secretary and executive for the local is tardy. For it has been common knowledge that Tommy Ray ran the union, with all the tough two-fistedness of a veteran unionist, brought up in the days of slugging it out with a foe, whether a scab, an employer, or a rat within the union.

When the union elected a new set of officers Ray prevented them from taking over, and continued to run the show. He built the "marble palace", which rank-and-file members could enter to pay their dues, but the lounge was barred to them. The "old guard" wanted it for the time when the lush dues would fall off.

Obviously a rich union is a mark for a racket. It is easy to see how eager men would be to get control of the union and use it, as so many union bosses have, for their own indulgence. The patent remedy, to reduce the dues, wasn't employed. Ray fought to keep control of the union and its funds in his own hands. His methods surely were not according to Roberts Rules of Order, and evidently not according to union laws; so finally he has been ousted, though he still occupies his office in the marble palace.

The practices of the boiler-makers' union have given the cause of unionism a black eye in the estimation of the general public. The people see it as an arbitrary, costly agency, reaping a toll from workers engaged in essential war work. The union failed to adapt its methods or policies to the changed situation. But with all

this, give Tommy Ray this credit, that he called no strikes, he cooperated with employers and the government in holding down labor friction, and that his members did break records in ship production. That is no small contribution to winning the war.

The committee on a public market has taken the sensible course in starting out modestly in an effort to get producers and consumers together. Where these market ventures usually fail is in making too great a capital investment. By starting simply, using city property and attempting to provide only a convenient, unpretentious marketplace the committee can test out the market idea, and expand as experience justifies.

Hitler is determined to make good his threat of extermination for the Jews in Europe. Those in Poland have been pretty well extinguished by shooting, starvation or disease. Now his gestapo is busy rounding up Danish Jews and shipping them by boat or train to the shambles of eastern Europe, from which they know there is no returning. You have to search in history books quite a while to find a fiend whose murders have been on Hitler's scale.

If congress is so eager to win the war in the Pacific it could help on the political front by repealing the Chinese exclusion act. That is quite within the field of military strategy for Sen. Chandler, and it would be very helpful for the American cause now and after the war. Until congress does its own chores it ought not to be so diligent in trying to run the army and navy.

## News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, October 12—Hyperbolic tears are being shed by senate administration leaders because the five world-girdling senators want this country to keep, for national defense, the island bases we are using.

Privately some are denouncing such a recommended course as American imperialism. They soon may be saying that in public.

The rest of the world, however, is moving on the basis of reality. A new French governor moved back into the New Caledonia islands a few weeks back, now that General MacArthur's forces have pushed the Japs back beyond bombing range. A British high commissioner at the same time went back to the islands, a little farther to the east.

Both are setting up shop as if nothing had happened, to do business at the old stand—on an imperialistic basis, of course.

The British, Dutch and French have lived a policy of "imperialism" for many generations past. They are not bashful about it.

They want control of their island empire bases, not particularly for their national defense perhaps, but for a reason which the travelling senators did not stress, namely, trade and commerce, to sustain the strength and power of their homelands.

These points no doubt will be brought out publicly, and proved in detail when the technical advisor of the travelling senators, George Malone, nationally esteemed mining engineer of Nevada, writes his report dealing with the economic aspects of the senators' voyage.

This additional report of the trip will show that these British, Dutch and French empire outposts have things we want. New Caledonia, for instance, has nickel and chromite. We need all we can get of those metals.

The Malone report should nail down incontrovertibly the additional economic reasons for doing what the army and navy defenders of this country already think necessary for our future national security in an air war.

If we do not retain the right to use the airfields and harbors upon which we have spent millions of hard-earned money throughout the world, if we do not protect our rights to trade in those areas which we are supposed to be liberating for freedom, if we do not maintain the strategic ferries with which we are winning this war, we will be just plain fools.

Imperialism means something different than this. It means world conquest and domination, an objective furthered from our national thoughts. The administration's critics of world trade justice and national defense are deceptively misusing the term.

But if you want to call the protection of our non-aggressive self-interest "imperialism", what would you call the British, Dutch and French restrictive rubber and oil cartels and domination of strategic military world bases?

They acquired their Pacific islands either by occupation from the Germans after the last war, by absorption or conquest.

The Fijis were ceded to British in 1874. The Solomons, which we are clearing so effectively, were divided between Germany and Britain in 1899. All of their rights are relatively recent and certainly by no means divinely inspired.

Yet timid souls amongst our leaders say these well-known facts of history, which stand out so obviously they cannot be ignored except by effort, should not be mentioned now for fear of offending our allies. They are the same people who still think it is an insult to Stalin to call him a communist.

Our allies are proud of their empires. No senators in those nations are advocating dismemberment in the interests of a better world, or evidently caring much about offending us by moving their commissioners and governors back into imperialistic points of power.

Other methods of discrediting the travelling senators are being followed, one accusing them of politics. Their talk and actions plainly showed they had been too close to death, to have much politics left in them when they got back.

None except possibly Senator Chandler seemed to represent Gen. MacArthur's views, and Chandler is a democrat. Indeed, there is not likely to be any politics in the matter hereafter.



Home Front 'Pill Boxes'

## Today's Radio Programs

KSLM—WEDNESDAY—1390 Kc.

7:00—News.  
7:05—Rise 'n' Shine.  
7:15—Ten-Two-Four.  
7:30—News.  
7:45—Morning Moods.  
8:00—Cherry City News.  
8:10—Music.  
8:20—Tango Time.  
9:00—Pastor's Call.  
9:15—It's the Truth.  
9:30—Popular Music.  
10:00—News.  
10:05—A Song and a Dance.  
10:20—Music.  
11:00—News.  
11:05—Music.  
11:20—Sits of Yesterday.  
12:00—Organalities.  
12:15—News.  
12:30—Jantines.  
1:00—Orchestra.  
1:20—Mal Hallett's Orchestra.  
1:30—Melody Melodies.  
1:45—Spotlight on Rhythm.  
2:00—Isle of Paradise.  
2:15—US Marines.  
2:30—Music.  
2:45—Broadway Band Wagon.  
3:00—KSLM Concert Hour.  
4:00—The Aristocrats.  
4:15—News.  
4:30—Boys' Town.  
5:00—Maf's Industrial Information.  
5:15—Melodies.  
5:30—Tonight's Headlines.  
6:15—War News Commentary.  
6:20—Evening Serenade.  
7:00—News.  
7:05—Charlie Hagg's Ballads.  
7:15—Kerstons Karavan.  
7:45—This Is Your Business.  
8:00—War Fronts in Review.  
8:15—Music.  
8:30—Hollywood.  
8:45—Music.  
9:00—News.  
9:15—Old Times.  
9:30—Between the Lines.  
10:00—Serenade.  
10:30—News.

KOW—WEDNESDAY—630 Kc.

4:00—Dawn Patrol.  
4:35—Labor News.  
4:50—Everything Goes.  
5:00—News.  
5:15—Labor News.  
5:30—Journal of Living.  
5:45—Reveille Roundup.  
6:00—Stars of Today.  
6:15—Jantines.  
6:30—Last Night in the Rose Room.  
6:45—David Harum.  
7:00—The Open Star.  
7:15—Larry Smith, Commentator.  
7:30—Mirth and Madness.  
7:45—Soldiers With Wings.  
8:00—Ruth Forbes.  
8:15—News.  
8:30—Baker's Notebook.  
8:45—The Guiding Light.  
9:00—Lonely Women.  
9:15—Lullaby of the Stars.  
9:30—Hymns of All Churches.  
9:45—Women of America.  
10:00—Music.  
10:15—Pepper Young's Family.  
10:30—Right to Happiness.  
10:45—Backstage Wife.  
11:00—News.  
11:15—Lorenzo Jones.  
11:30—Young Women Brown.  
11:45—When A Girl Marries.  
12:00—Just Plain Bill.  
12:15—Frank Page Farrell.  
12:30—The War and Peace.  
12:45—Gallant Heart.  
1:00—News.  
1:15—Dr. Kato.  
1:30—News of the World.  
1:45—The Open Star.  
2:00—H. V. Kallenborn.  
2:15—Music.  
2:30—Personality Hour.  
2:45—Dr. Foster, Commentator.  
3:00—Louis F. Lochner.  
3:15—Edith Cantor.  
3:30—Dr. District Attorney.  
3:45—Kay Kyles's College.  
4:00—Trotting in Pleasure Time.  
4:15—Commentator.  
4:30—Best of the Band.  
4:45—Life and Mrs. North.  
5:00—Scramby Ambly.  
5:15—News Flash.  
5:30—Your Home Town News.  
5:45—Labor News.  
6:00—Gardening for Food.  
6:15—H. V. Kallenborn.  
6:30—Music.  
6:45—Baltimore Hotel Orchestra.  
7:00—News.  
7:15—2 A.M. Swing Shift.

KOIN—WEDNESDAY—630 Kc.

6:40—Northwest Farm Reporter.  
6:45—Breakfast Bulletin.  
6:50—Texas Rangers.  
6:55—KOIN Clock.  
7:00—News.  
7:05—Nelson Pringle, News.  
7:10—Commentary.  
7:15—Valiant Lady.  
7:20—Stories America Loves.  
7:25—Breakfast Bulletin.  
7:30—Kate Smith Speaks.  
7:35—Big Sister.  
7:40—Life and Mrs. North.  
7:45—Our Gal Sunday.  
7:50—Life Can Be Beautiful.  
7:55—News.  
8:00—Bernadine Flynn.  
8:05—The Goldbergs.  
8:10—Joyce Jordan.  
8:15—We Love and Learn.  
8:20—News.  
8:25—Brenda Beasley.  
8:30—Bob Anderson, News.  
8:35—William Winter, News.

12:45—Bachelor's Children.  
1:00—Home Front Reporter.  
1:05—American School.  
1:10—Mary Martin.  
1:15—Newspaper of the Air.  
1:20—American Women.  
1:25—Easy Aces.  
1:30—You Shall Have Music.  
1:35—The World Today.  
1:40—This Life Is Mine.  
1:45—Sam Hayes, News.  
1:50—Red's Gang.  
1:55—Tracer of Lost Persons.  
2:00—Galen Drake.  
2:05—Easy Aces.  
2:10—Harry Flannery, News.  
2:15—News.  
2:20—Sunset Serenade.  
2:25—Jack Carson.  
2:30—Great Moments in Music.  
2:35—Music.  
2:40—Halo Soldier.  
2:45—Love A Mystery.  
2:50—Harry James Orchestra.  
2:55—Do, Christian.  
3:00—Sammy Kaye.  
3:05—Northwest Neighbors.  
3:10—Five Star Final.  
3:15—Warline Women.  
3:20—William Winter.  
3:25—Music.  
3:30—Manny Strand Orchestra.  
3:35—News.  
3:40—Midnight to 6:00 a.m.—Music & News.

KALB—WEDNESDAY—1330 Kc.  
6:45—Easy Aces.  
7:00—News.  
7:05—Texas Rangers.  
7:10—Memory Timekeeper.  
7:15—What's New.  
7:20—Shady Valley Folks.  
7:25—News.  
7:30—Shops.  
7:35—Boogie Woogie.  
7:40—Woman's Side of the News.  
7:45—Bayer's Parade.  
7:50—News.  
7:55—Curtain Call.  
8:00—This and That.  
8:05—Music.  
8:10—Harrison Wood.  
8:15—Texas Rangers.  
8:20—Warline Women.  
8:25—Phillips Keyne-Gordon.  
8:30—Stars of Today.  
8:35—Music.  
8:40—Bill Ray.  
8:45—Pullover Lewis, Jr.  
8:50—Johnson Family.  
8:55—Rainbow Rendezvous.  
9:00—News.  
9:05—Lean Back and Listen.  
9:10—Superman.  
9:15—Radio Tour.  
9:20—Norman Macbride.  
9:25—Gabele Hester.  
9:30—Soldiers With Wings.  
9:35—John R. Hughes.  
9:40—Movie Parade.  
9:45—Lone Ranger.  
9:50—Take A Card.  
9:55—Building Drummond.  
10:00—News.  
10:05—News of the Top Tunes.  
10:10—General Barrows.  
10:15—Pullover Lewis, Jr.  
10:20—John Kirby Orchestra.  
10:25—Treasury Star Parade.  
10:30—News.  
10:35—Music.  
10:40—Music Mixers.  
10:45—Music.

KEX—WEDNESDAY—1190 Kc.

6:30—News.  
6:35—National Farm and Home.  
6:40—Western Agriculture.  
6:45—Music.  
6:50—Home Demonstration Agent.  
6:55—Fiesta.  
7:00—News.  
7:05—Breakfast Club.  
7:10—My True Story.  
7:15—Breakfast Sardi's.  
7:20—News.  
7:25—Commentator.  
7:30—Andy and Virginia.  
7:35—Breakfast Talking.  
7:40—The Story of the Week.  
7:45—Songs.  
7:50—News.  
7:55—Livestock Reports.  
8:00—Organ Revue.  
8:05—News.  
8:10—Blue Newsroom Review.  
8:15—What's Doing, Ladies.  
8:20—Treasury Song Parade.  
8:25—Voice in Harmony.  
8:30—Labor News.  
8:35—Hollywood News Flash.  
8:40—Voice With the News.  
8:45—Blue Frolics.  
8:50—Music.  
8:55—How Harigan.  
9:00—The Sea Hound.  
9:05—Terry and the Pirates.  
9:10—News.  
9:15—Jack Armstrong.  
9:20—Captain Midnight.  
9:25—News.  
9:30—Harry Warner, Sports.  
9:35—Raymond Grant Swing.  
9:40—Music.  
9:45—This Is Your Business.  
9:50—Tracy.  
9:55—Lam and Abern.  
10:00—Battle of the Bums.  
10:05—Voice With the News.  
10:10—News.  
10:15—Down Memory Lane.  
10:20—News.  
10:25—Ambassador Hotel Orchestra.  
10:30—Broadway Bandwagon.  
10:35—Music.  
10:40—This Moving World.  
10:45—Concert.  
10:50—News.

KOAC—WEDNESDAY—530 Kc.

6:30—News.  
6:35—National Farm and Home.  
6:40—Western Agriculture.  
6:45—Music.  
6:50—Home Demonstration Agent.  
6:55—Fiesta.  
7:00—News.  
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## IT SEEMS TO ME

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visit in England:

"I wonder if mutual confidence can take the place of the competitive suspicion which had so often ruined Anglo-American relations in the past. You bump into suspicion all over Britain. I met it on the Clyde where in the shipyards I heard a man say: 'It troubles us a little to think of your people turning out your huge fleet of cargo ships while here we build almost nothing but warships. What will you do with all those freighters after the war?'"

And while some Americans scold Britain for maintaining an empire and continuing its rule in India, the British hear other Americans, like Secretary Knox for instance, declaring that the United States must retain bases in the various seas and oceans and air bases everywhere. Is this a new American imperialism? they may ask.

It is a statement of simple fact, which no one will gainsay, that the United States, Great Britain and Russia must cooperate to the end of this war and beyond. They must wind up the sorry business of fascism and Naziism and Jap-ism as swiftly and as thoroughly as possible; and then they must act as monitors (trustees in Hoover's term) for a period until stable international relationship can be established. It is dangerous to our own interest and to our common interest to spread the gossip which will injure relations among these three great powers.

I do not mean we should cover up or suppress important fact, but that before a story is related its accuracy should be fully checked. And when we stop to think of it, how trivial are the little tales usually based on petty jealousy compared with the dogged stand of the British in the blitz and the gallant recovery of the Russians after Hitler's hammer blows of 1940 and 1941. Why not give a little more of praise to our allies and a little less of criticism?

## Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON

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A culminating step in grim allied preparations for the march on Berlin from the west came yesterday with British acquisition of anti-submarine bases in the Portuguese Azores.

That but vitally important island group in mid-Atlantic provides unsinkable plane carriers for allied use in safeguarding war traffic between the United States and Britain. Availability there of refueling and repair bases for allied surface and air craft dealing with the U-boat menace will cut off thousands of miles of travel for combat vessels in maintaining their winter sea patrols.

That Portuguese act of benevolent neutrality tends to double or even quadruple the effectiveness of the U-boat hunting forces in the North Atlantic. And it is over that route to Britain that troops and supplies from the United States must travel unchecked to insure maximum allied hitting power when the hour for attack from the west strikes.

With stepping-stone bases in the Azores to count upon, the whole business of flying heavy American bombers to Britain for use in breaching Nazi west wall defenses might be revolutionized. The Portuguese islands lie 2400 miles east of New York. But they are closer to Halifax or the southeastern tip of Newfoundland and within reach of fully war-loaded ships taking off for the west front attack.

There are other ominous portents for the Nazis in Portugal's grant of base facilities to her ancient ally, Britain. It means that Portuguese authorities, standing at one of the best informed European listening posts, have written of German defeat as inevitable. That must have weight in Spain. And in Argentina on this side of the Atlantic. The Azores incident could set off political upheavals leading to

## Anyone Lose 'Short Snorter' Dollar Bill?

Someone's "short snorter" dollar bill, with a number of signatures across its face, has come into the possession of Mrs. Elsie Holman, route 2, and she is wondering if the former owner wants it back. She received it along with other paper money at a Salem bank or business house, not discovering until later that it carried the signatures.

The transoceanic flier who owned the bill when these signatures of other "short snorters" were written on it, may if interested regain it—in fair exchange—by identifying it. Mrs. Holman's telephone number is 5426.

## Blackout Rules Not Relaxed

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12—(AP) Relaxation of dim-out rules along the Pacific coast does not alter existing blackout laws in any way, Acting Director George L. Levison of the ninth civilian defense region said today in a "warning to all citizens."

"Lights in private houses as well as interior advertising and window lighting must be extinguished immediately at the first sound of air raid warnings," Levison said.

"In zone C outdoor advertising and store window lighting switches must continue to be accessible and attended, as in the past."

Levison said—that apparently some public confusion had developed over the extent to which blackout regulations still are in force. He pointed out that dim-out laws and blackout laws are completely distinct must be recognized as such.

## William Allen White To Have Mayo Checkup

EMPORIA, Kas., Oct. 12—(AP) William Allen White, Emporia editor, accompanied by Mrs. White, left today for Rochester, Minn., where White will undergo a checkup at the Mayo clinic. White, who suffered an attack of pneumonia in New York last spring, has been kept at home much of the time in recent weeks by illness.

## Churchill Says Bombs Will Beat Nazi Industry

LONDON, Tuesday, Oct. 12—(AP) Prime Minister Churchill declared today in congratulatory messages to the US eighth air force and the RAF that "We shall together inexorably beat the life out of industrial Germany and thus hasten the day of final victory."

In his message to the American unit, Churchill said that its achievements in the battle of Germany "have contributed notably to the success of allied arms everywhere."

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