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Hoover on Military Alliances

The Statesman has previously professed admiration for the contributions being made by Ex-President Herbert Hoover and his literary associate, Hugh Gibson, toward the development of public understanding of the problems of the peace. This is increased by their joint article in the current *Colliers Weekly* and by Mr. Hoover's address Thursday night in Kansas City. The article and the address dealt with the important subject of "military alliances."

This topic is the more timely since Walter Lippman's recent book dealing with the foreign policy of the United States plunks hard for a military alliance with Great Britain, a thesis which Governor Dewey snapped at and endorsed at the Mackinac meeting of republicans. Mr. Hoover said at Kansas City: "We should discard all proposals of military alliances as an instrument of peace." The *Colliers* article gives ample supporting reasons for this dictum. After reciting the sorry history of military alliances for a century and a half Hoover and Gibson say:

Anyone who wishes, to follow the history of such alliances will find that they reek with militarism, balance of power, political expediency and imperialism—the whole concepts of which must be abandoned if the world is to have a lasting peace.

Inevitably an alliance between two or several great powers provokes fears and jealousies in other nations and some counter-alliance is formed. The old "entente cordiale" between Britain and France, along with France's treaty with Russia forced the "triple entente" between Germany, Austria and Italy prior to the first world war. Collision was merely a matter of time and place. The military alliance of Britain, the United States and Russia would invite opposition from other powers which would coalesce around some promising national leadership—Germany or France or Japan.

What Hoover and Gibson propose is peace by four successive steps:

First, creation of Trustees of Peace. Second, a Provisional Regime to get the world moving forward. Third, a Transitional Period to settle the long-view problems. Fourth, a World Institution to preserve peace.

He emphasized in his address Thursday night that the world institution or authority should be the "last step." This is correct. There is danger now of bogging down in disagreement over the frame or constitution of an international organization. While that should be the final goal, the litter and waste of war affairs needs to be cleared away first. Nations must practice cooperation rather than merely promise it.

The Statesman has expressed before its wish that Mr. Hoover might be given large and important duties in studying and writing the peace program. Such is the narrowness of American politics that this will probably be denied. The third term undoubtedly is saving that assignment for the fourth term. But Mr. Hoover can by his speaking and writing inform the public and build the force of public opinion to support the fine ideas which he has.

Prices on Oil

The governor of Oklahoma recently made a trek to Washington seeking to get prices for crude oil raised. Secretary Ickes has been urging price increases for a long time, to stimulate wildcatting, he says. OPA resists these and other powerful pressures. Earnings reports of the large oil companies are excellent. As far as new drilling goes the report in California is that 1371 notices to drill new wells have been made thus far in 1943, against 610 to the corresponding date in 1942. In the matter of wildcatting, Phillips Petroleum is doing just that in southwest Oregon, on a substantial scale, and other big companies are taking leases in the region. Civilian consumption has been curtailed, and that without perceptible hardship. If the oil price can be held through the war there will be full resumption of drilling and development after the war when labor will be more abundant and costs probably lower. It may be a good thing not to be so eager to consume our underground stores of petroleum.

Inflation Tinder

With rejection of the sales tax proposal the house ways and means committee virtually kills any chance of realizing the \$10.5 billions of new revenues sought by the treasury. Previously it had eliminated numerous recommendations in the treasury proposals, so there is little left but jacking up the whiskey tax and hiking the excess profits on corporations.

Rejection of the sales tax leaves the tinder of inflation in the way of earnings generally far in excess of pre-war incomes. Bond-buying will not absorb all these earnings. They will continue to compete in a market getting more bare of goods all the time.

No, Geraldine, the Dnieper bend is not the same as the Grecian bend affected by the Gibson girl.

News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28—The strikes, wage actions and economic debates from the labor and food subsidy fronts must seem wholly beyond the understanding of even a well informed news reader.

In truth, some developments are beyond the full understanding of the participants who are splitting statistical hairs and pulling political ones. The controlling forces behind the developments, however, can be set forth with an undeniable assurance which should enable readers to understand the implications of current news.

A real national economic crisis has arisen from the campaign of labor leaders to break the loose economic bounds fixed by the administration on the threatened railroad strike, the threatened railroad strike, and similar developments must be traced to that labor initiative.

The seriousness of the situation apparently is not fully understood. Nor has the public been informed of the depth of White House perplexity in trying to find compromise solutions.

The White House plan, however, is clearly discernible between recent developments. The Vinson decision against a full eight cents an hour rail increase to non-operating employees and the war labor board split decision (7 to 5) in the Illinois coal contract granting a possible \$10 a week raise, show the administration is ready to bend, if not officially break the ceilings of the little steel formula.

But it obviously wants to hold down the break to a point that will not again throw prices into any higher inflationary ground than necessary.

At the same time, its talented mobilizer Jimmy Byrnes is soft-shoeing his way around inside congress trying to get some arrangement for continuance of the Commodity Credit corporation food subsidies which will make the consumer and wage earner think prices are not as high as they are, by making the treasury stand some of the increase.

In short, the White House method is to compromise at whatever negotiable point it can find, in order to stave off another general wage and price increase. Weeks will be required to work it out, if it can be worked out, and the effectiveness of the results cannot even be guessed.

The crisis has war and political aspects as well as economic significance.

Coal production already has broken down to the point where suffering in many localities can be expected this winter. Production initiative was disturbed long before the recent crisis by the fact that sons and friends of miners were able to find other war work paying higher wages.

Then, also, the railroad brotherhoods are a powerful group, which usually gets what it wants. A rail strike obviously cannot be allowed in view of war necessity, even if it is voted.

The rest of union leadership obviously is holding back to see how these two vanguards come out, before bringing forward again their pressure for a general wage increase.

All this agitation is, of course, being used by Byrnes to frighten congress into a compromise on a food subsidy, but apparently without much effect. Even if Mr. Roosevelt's compromise plan is successful, it probably will lead the nation into higher inflationary ground, but apparently he hopes the ground will be beclouded so as not to scare anyone. Also, such negotiated decisions must be temporary.

Both labor leaders and farm leaders apparently justify their existence by planned successive campaigns to increase wage and conditions without end. Their organizational set-ups are such that they cannot afford to take a national economic viewpoint—or accept one which conflicts with theirs.

Nor have they overlooked the fact that a critical presidential election is in the offing next year, having recently modified their national political pledges at their conventions to the point of practically inviting the president to fish for their votes if he wants them—and to use bigger and better bait.

An overall, arbitrary freezing of both prices and wages at the outset of this war (as Baruch demanded) might have obviated the existing difficulties. But with a policy of negotiation and adjustment having proceeded as far as it has, no one seems to be able even to suggest a wholly satisfactory or guaranteed solution.



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Today's Radio Programs

KSLM—SATURDAY—1350 Kc. 7:00—Cherry City News. 7:30—The N. Shine. 7:30—News. 7:45—Morning Moods. 8:00—Cherry City News. 8:05—Program Parade. 8:10—Eaton Boys & Texas Jim Lewis. 8:30—Tango Time. 8:30—Pastor's Call. 9:15—It's the Truth. 9:20—Poplar Music. 10:00—Cherry City News. 10:05—Jack Peeny, Tenor. 10:30—Alvino Rey. 11:00—Cherry City News. 11:05—Campus Freshmen. 11:30—Hits of Yesterday. 12:00—Organities. 12:15—News. 12:30—Radio Serenade. 12:35—Mid Day Matinee. 1:00—Henry King's Orchestra. 1:15—Charlie Bennett's Orchestra. 1:30—Mildred Melodies. 1:45—Harry Brewer's Novelty Orchestra. 2:00—Isle of Paradise. 2:15—Sincerely Yours. 2:45—Evelyn Tyner's Orchestra. 2:45—Broadway Band Wagon. 3:00—Concert Hour. 4:00—Mortch's Tango Orchestra. 4:15—News. 4:30—Tonight's Tunes. 5:00—The Oleaners. 5:15—Let's Reminisce. 5:30—Bertrand Loras & Magic Violin. 5:45—Junior Church of the Air. 6:00—Tonight's Hit Parade. 6:15—War News Commentary. 6:20—Evening Serenade. 6:30—War Fronts in Review. 7:00—Weekend Jamboree. 7:30—Keystone. 8:00—Bertrand Loras. 8:15—Carl Ledel & Alpin Troubadour. 8:30—Kathleen Henderson. 9:00—News. 9:15—Gallican Hour. 9:45—Johnny Messner's Orchestra. 10:00—Serenade in Swingtime. 10:30—News. 10:45—Sign Off.	7:15—Texas Rangers. 7:30—Memory Timekeeper. 8:00—Haven of Rest. 8:30—News. 8:45—Market Melodies. 9:00—Marketing With Meredith. 9:15—The Women's Side of the News. 9:30—Hello Mom. 10:15—Stars of Today. 10:20—This & That. 11:00—Journal Juniors. 11:30—Concert Gems. 11:45—Buyer's Parade. 12:00—News. 12:15—Luncheon Concert. 12:45—On the Farm Front. 12:50—Melody Time. 1:00—TBA, MBS. 1:30—Texas Rangers. 4:45—News. 8:30—Music. 9:00—Norman Nesbitt. 9:30—Chicago Theatre of the Air. 7:00—John B. Hughes. 9:00—Texas Rangers. 7:30—Churchman's Saturday Night. 8:00—Jerry Sears. 8:30—Texas Rangers. 9:00—Halls of Montezuma. 9:00—News. 9:30—News Commentary. 9:30—Pages & Places in the News. 9:45—Johnny Messner Orchestra. 10:15—Henry King's Orchestra. 10:30—News. 10:45—Gus Arnheim Orchestra. 11:30—Saturday Night Bandwagon. 11:30—Hawaii Calls.	1:00—Mother and Dad. 1:15—People's Platform. 1:30—World Today. 1:35—Chet Huntley, News. 1:40—Man Behind the Gun. 1:50—Traffic Safety. 2:40—Of Men and Books. 5:00—Henri Busse Orchestra. 8:30—Old Chisholm Trail. 9:00—News. 9:05—Calmer, News. 9:00—Music. 9:30—Beauty Talk. 9:45—Saturday Night Serenade. 7:15—Music We Remember. 7:30—South American Music. 7:45—Deane Dickason, News. 8:00—Thanks to the Yanks. 8:30—Inner Sanctum. 8:35—Dave Valle. 9:00—Your Hit Parade. 1:20—Five Star Final. 10:15—Soldiers of the Press. 10:30—Orchestra. 11:30—Manly Strand Orchestra. 11:45—Air-Fix of the Air. 1:30—News. 12:30 to 6:00 a. m.—Music & News.
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Sunday's Radio Programs

KSLM—SUNDAY—1350 Kc. 6:30—National Religious Foundation. 6:30—Gospel. 7:30—News in Brief. 7:30—The Morning Show. 8:30—Popular Salute. 9:30—World in Review. 10:30—Bird Tunes of Tomorrow. 11:30—American Lutheran Church. 12:00—Songs. 12:15—War Commentary. 12:30—Golden Melody. 1:00—Young People's Church. 1:30—Music. 1:30—Isle of Paradise. 1:35—Voice of Restoration. 2:00—Vocal Varieties. 2:00—Wings of Healing. 2:30—Sings Church. 2:40—Bible Quiz. 3:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour. 3:30—News Headlines and Highlights. 3:30—Catholic Hour. 3:45—News. 4:30—Band Wagon. 4:45—Tom Reddy, News. 5:00—Charlie McCarthy. 5:00—Manhattan Merry-Go-Round. 5:30—American Album of Familiar Music. 7:00—Hour of Charm. 7:00—Bob Crosby & Co. 8:30—The Great Glidercraze. 8:30—Symphony Hour. 9:30—Francis Craig Orchestra. 9:30—Musical Interlude. 10:00—News Flashes. 10:15—Walter Winchell. 10:30—Symphonette. 11:00—St. Francis Hotel Orchestra. 11:30—Charita LaVergne, Singer. 11:45—News. 12:00-2:00 a.m.—Swing Shift.	KSLM—SUNDAY—1350 Kc. 6:30—News. 7:30—Gospel. 8:30—News in Brief. 9:30—The Morning Show. 10:30—Bird Tunes of Tomorrow. 11:30—American Lutheran Church. 12:00—Songs. 12:15—War Commentary. 12:30—Golden Melody. 1:00—Young People's Church. 1:30—Music. 1:30—Isle of Paradise. 1:35—Voice of Restoration. 2:00—Vocal Varieties. 2:00—Wings of Healing. 2:30—Sings Church. 2:40—Bible Quiz. 3:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour. 3:30—News Headlines and Highlights. 3:30—Catholic Hour. 3:45—News. 4:30—Band Wagon. 4:45—Tom Reddy, News. 5:00—Charlie McCarthy. 5:00—Manhattan Merry-Go-Round. 5:30—American Album of Familiar Music. 7:00—Hour of Charm. 7:00—Bob Crosby & Co. 8:30—The Great Glidercraze. 8:30—Symphony Hour. 9:30—Francis Craig Orchestra. 9:30—Musical Interlude. 10:00—News Flashes. 10:15—Walter Winchell. 10:30—Symphonette. 11:00—St. Francis Hotel Orchestra. 11:30—Charita LaVergne, Singer. 11:45—News. 12:00-2:00 a.m.—Swing Shift.	KALE—SUNDAY—1330 Kc. 6:30—News. 7:30—Gospel. 8:30—News in Brief. 9:30—The Morning Show. 10:30—Bird Tunes of Tomorrow. 11:30—American Lutheran Church. 12:00—Songs. 12:15—War Commentary. 12:30—Golden Melody. 1:00—Young People's Church. 1:30—Music. 1:30—Isle of Paradise. 1:35—Voice of Restoration. 2:00—Vocal Varieties. 2:00—Wings of Healing. 2:30—Sings Church. 2:40—Bible Quiz. 3:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour. 3:30—News Headlines and Highlights. 3:30—Catholic Hour. 3:45—News. 4:30—Band Wagon. 4:45—Tom Reddy, News. 5:00—Charlie McCarthy. 5:00—Manhattan Merry-Go-Round. 5:30—American Album of Familiar Music. 7:00—Hour of Charm. 7:00—Bob Crosby & Co. 8:30—The Great Glidercraze. 8:30—Symphony Hour. 9:30—Francis Craig Orchestra. 9:30—Musical Interlude. 10:00—News Flashes. 10:15—Walter Winchell. 10:30—Symphonette. 11:00—St. Francis Hotel Orchestra. 11:30—Charita LaVergne, Singer. 11:45—News. 12:00-2:00 a.m.—Swing Shift.
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Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
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The sweep of events in the global war points up this Hal-
lowe'en season for what is left
of the dismembered Nazi-fascist-
Nipponese triple axis with gris-
ly specters of approaching doom.

In Russia the spirits of an army
of German and satellite, dead,
left behind in a Nazi retreat to
the Dnieper and beyond, must
haunt the dreams of surviving
comrades and of relatives at
home with questioning as to why
their blood was so ruthlessly and
futilely shed. It calls out for Ger-
man vengeance on Hitler and
Hitlerism, for their ultimate
elimination from Germany as
Mussolini and all he stood for
was swept into the discard by
the will of a war-sick Italian
people.

The axis debacle in Europe
began a year ago in Africa and
at Stalingrad. And now it is cer-
tainly beginning for Japan in the
Pacific. While destruction of
German power still stands first
on the strategy books, there is
every indication that in the Pa-
cific events are shaping toward
early fulfillment of the prophecy
to congress many months ago of
Prime Minister Winston Church-
ill that the "supreme challenge"
of sea power will confront Japan.

The challenge of the wide-based
American-Australian assault
against the southeast sector of
the Japanese insular defense
ring has gone ignored by the
Tokyo high command. Step by
step it had given ground rather
than risk a major sea fight until
the Rabaul attack was exposed to
final amphibious attack to con-
vert it into an allied advance
base.

There has been no effort to
conceal preparations for a syn-
chronized advance eastward in
the center of the long Pacific
line.

At which of the many Japa-
nese-held outposts its first surges
will be aimed can only be con-
jectured; but it is coming.
And from it the recaptured
Aleutians other operations are
clearly in prospect that must fill
Japanese minds with haunting
dread of long range air bom-
bardment. There has been no
revelation of the range and
power of American super-bom-
bers long in preparation, but it
seems obvious they are primar-
ily intended for direct attack on

Today's Garden

By LILLIE L. MADSEN

Mrs. W.M.B. asks about the
care of raspberries.
Answer: A soil on which pota-
toes grow well is said to be
the ideal soil for the red ras-
berries. Organic matter from
the stables forms by far the best
fertilizer. If this cannot be ob-
tained then a cover crop is a
prime requisite. Good drainage
is also essential.
The bushes should be set
about five feet apart, unless you
use the hedge row system, then
about two feet is a sufficient
distance.
The raspberry canes are in
reality biennial and the canes
which have born fruit, should
be removed as soon as the crop
is harvested. Cut these off at
the ground. Then in early
spring cut back the fruiting
canes to a height of about five
feet. Spring is the best time to
set out new bushes.

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County Lists New Disease Cases

Three new cases of meningococ-
cal meningitis, two of typhoid, one
each of scarlet fever, whooping
cough, tuberculosis and chicken
pox and none of poliomyelitis
were reported in Marion county
for the week ending October 23,
the bulletin issued by the state
board of health this week reveals.
Thirty six per cent of the county's
physicians reported.

Over the state poliomyelitis (in-
fantile paralysis, which had its
beginnings as an Oregon epidemic
this year in Marion county) was
at its highest peak for the year,
with 36 cases, most of them in
Lane and Multnomah counties.

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