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"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe"  
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## Unwanted Children

One problem in connection with after-war Germany which is already causing heads to be scratched in Washington, London, and Moscow is what to do with the thousands and thousands of small German children which have been born in recent years as a part of the third reich's calculated plan for raising another crop of soldiers for 20 years hence.

Most of these youngsters, although by no means all, have been born out of wedlock. The boys, as future soldiers of the reich, have been reared directly by the German state in large orphanages, or by the father himself. The mother, in either case, is disregarded. Girls, however, do not receive state upbringing or state subsidies, and are left for the mother to rear as best she can.

The primary consideration in bringing up the boys, however, is to see that they are deeply indoctrinated in the Nazi faith from the first faltering word and goose-step. The orphanages are nothing more than great state training schools where the master-race and Aryan supremacy doctrines of the Nazis are carefully implanted on minds far too young to ever discriminate for themselves. If left in their present form, such schools would in due course turn out a crop of helots passionately convinced of the perfect justice and desirability of the Nazi rule of terror and exploitation. Even the girls would know that their duty lay in only one direction—the provision of even more soldiers for the armies of the next generation.

Obviously, the dissolution of such schools must be assured by the allies as part of the necessary program of re-education in Germany. But something must be done about the children themselves, mostly motherless, many unable even to say the name of their fathers. There is a very present danger that in the surge of revulsion which will probably accompany the fall of the Nazi edifice, these children will be even more abandoned than at present, since even their non-assertive parents may desire to forget them as a reminder of the debauched days of Nazi birth-politics.

One suggestion has been that the children should be taken into the homes of other nations in Europe and perhaps in this country and reared in an atmosphere totally different from that of even postwar Germany, which will doubtless remain deeply marked by Nazism for some time. The objection hitherto presented to this has been that no French family, say, which has suffered the absence of loved ones in German prison camps, or the execution of others as hostages, will care to spend money or affection on the child of the erstwhile master race. No child reared in such an atmosphere would have a particularly good chance of a pleasant youth; and there is not much in making the children pay for their elders' sins.

The better solution is probably to continue the orphanages as they are—but to alter the educational program basically and radically to conform to the school curricula in democratic countries. Undoubtedly the children themselves will have to remain wards of the German state, whatever that may be; and at best their future is none too gaudy. Certainly they will be better off, however, than the legions of Russian children who ran homeless and wild in the cities of that country in the years immediately following the 1917 revolution, and who had neither food nor bed, much less education or affection.

But if their childhood and youth are, at best, sadly warped, and their future is never very bright, it is simply one more crime which can be attached to the burdens already borne by the Nazi party and its inhuman protagonists.

## War and Politics

"I'm not interested in politics this year. There's a war on."

Whoever has expressed that thought, or thought it without expressing it, or without thinking it has paid keen attention to the war's progress but none to politics, is guilty of overlooking an important fact:

War is politics. More specifically, war is political surgery.

## Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON  
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London reports suggest an impending significant change in allied pre-invasion technique that could be the curtain raiser for the final air action to open up continental beachheads for sea-borne Anglo-American troops.

British night-flying heavy bombers laid off for the first time in the non-stop assault and American weight carriers shifted their daylight operations from strategic to tactical targets. They were just over the channel from their bases in Britain, heading at invasion coast targets in the Calais area.

Weather conditions could account for what seemed a partial lull on the 19th consecutive day of the pre-invasion barrage. There was no hint of storms or baffling clouds over more distant Nazi targets, however, and the relative lull in long range operations from Britain could have quite another significance. It could mark a regrouping and re-equipment of planes for the mass air attack in support of ground troops stabbing into the German Atlantic wall defenses under cover of a giant air umbrella.

That will come one day. It will be the supreme test of air power's ability to deal effectively with coastal defense raised to the Nth degree by years of toil since France and the low countries fell before German conquerors. The problem faced by General Eisenhower and his staff calls for that. There would be no reasonable hope of an allied break-through without sky-flooding fleets of planes to lead the way.

How long the concentration of thousands of allied air units against the Nazi coastal defense area and the hinterland communications may be destined to run, when it does start, is beyond conjecture. Not even the men who have planned it can be certain although they now have definite preliminary results to guide their expectations.

resorted to after political medicine has failed to effect a cure.

Political medicine failed in 1939 and there was resort to political surgery. But now we see rather clearly why political medicine failed. It failed in Italy and Germany because the patient refused to take it. Italians and Germans were "not interested in politics." More apparent every day now, is the fate to which their disinterest led them. As for the Japanese, they didn't even have reliable physicians on hand to prescribe good medicine.

Elsewhere, in the democracies, political medicine was more successful; the failure was in not recognizing that the political sickness prevalent in continental Europe and in east Asia was highly communicable. Remember when President Roosevelt spoke dramatically of "quarantining" it? He should have advocated vaccination. At any rate, our failure was in letting the sickness spread when a minor operation here and there might have stopped it.

Now the major operation is nearing a climax and may within a reasonable time be over. If the patient doesn't die there will be a long period of convalescence in which medicine—good, carefully prescribed medicine—will be necessary.

"Not interested in politics?" You are if you care at all about the world's future and your own. There's a primary election week after next. If you are registered, your voter's pamphlet should have arrived by now. Better look it over and find out who's running.

## News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

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WASHINGTON, May 3 — General MacArthur fooled the Japs completely before moving into Hollandia and Aitape.

They observed our ships steaming up the New Guinea coast from Lae and Salamaua, and naturally concluded we were to hit Wewak, their point nearest to us. By every trick possible, MacArthur encouraged that impression.

The Japs hastily assembling most of their force around Hollandia (probably about two divisions) rushed them to Wewak, whereupon MacArthur bypassed them, proceeded along the coast and took Hollandia without much resistance.

The weakened Jap garrison there had no inclination for a last ditch, die-loving fight. Frankly, they fled to the hills.

The bulk of the Jap force lured into Wewak will face the kind of starvation-depletion fighting that has come to characterize the whole south Pacific war strategy, even the island-hopping part of it. That mode of warfare works like chess. You push fingers swiftly out toward objectives in the rear of the Jap frontal positions, either dot-atolls or mainland bases.

The Japs still hold islands within sight of long conquered Guadalcanal, for instance, and several Marshall Islands eastward of our advanced positions on Eniwetok and Kwajalein. So the Japs are always in the rear of our lines, and we of theirs.

But we have the air and sea power, and this we use to starve the by-passed Japs. The Jap-held Marshall Islands of Jaluit, Mili, Wotje, etc., as well as the ones off Guadalcanal, are swept almost daily by our air bombing.

No surface ships can easily get in to bring them supplies. They have no planes at these points generally, and the only safe avenue of supplies for them is by submarine. Not much ammunition or food can be brought in that way.

Our advanced bases thereafter are strengthened with plane runways and suitable ship facilities for the next by-passing jump.

Already our new holdings at Hollandia and in the Marshalls and on New Britain give us an air sweep (but not air control) over a vast arc reaching to the southernmost Philippine Islands, all the Carolines (including Truk) and even the base of the Marianas (Yap, Saipan) which are the last island outposts to be hopped south of the Japanese mainland.

No place in this area can be used as a Jap Pearl Harbor, not even Truk, which we have already bombed 32 times, and thus have reduced to a secondary outpost. Most of the important Jap holdings are airfields, not naval bases (three at Truk, for instance).

Perhaps this explains why the Japs so seldom these days exhibit a desire for death in the last ditch of futile resistance.

No general movement of Nazi troops from the east to the western front to meet us has yet been observed. True enough, the battleline is only about half as long as last year, and the enormous Russian claims on captured men and material is nearly everywhere conceded to be of little benefit as military information, although they may be good propaganda.

But both the numbers and equipment of Russian troops on the fighting front have been constantly increasing. It would be imprudent for the Germans to withdraw any large numbers of divisions and switch the emphasis of their fighting effort primarily against us.

As a matter of fact, their recent reinforcements in Italy, the Balkans, and along the northwest coast seem to have come entirely from reserves held in Germany, Czechoslovakia, Austria, and Poland. Some Swedish reports say 15 divisions were used in policing occupied Russia, suggesting these are now available against us. That is no doubt what the Nazis want us to believe.

It is too much to say—as some noted military authorities are—that the German retreat was a strategic maneuver designed to reinforce the western front. The retreat has cost the Germans rather heavily in a few places where their encircled troops have not escaped.

They evacuated most of their men from the Crimea, but had to leave some behind. They also escaped from Tiraspol where several divisions had been surrounded. But at Odessa, and at least two points in the Dnieper bend, they lost some divisions—no one knows how many.

The Russians unquestionably are preparing for a new drive and the true situation is one of doubt that the Nazis have sufficient force to attack them in advance of the blow to straiten their weight.



"Short Cut to Dunkerque"

## Today's Radio Programs

- KSLM-MBS-THURSDAY-1300 Kc.**
- 6:30—It's the Truth.
  - 6:45—News.
  - 7:00—News.
  - 7:15—Farm and Home Program.
  - 7:30—Shady Valley.
  - 7:45—Morning Moods.
  - 8:00—Good Ship Grace.
  - 8:15—Orchestra.
  - 8:30—Wax Shop.
  - 8:45—Boake Carter.
  - 9:00—Pastor's Call.
  - 9:15—Pastor's Call.
  - 9:30—News.
  - 9:45—Campus Freshman.
  - 10:00—Hardy News.
  - 10:15—Jack Berch.
  - 10:30—Let's Be Charming.
  - 10:45—Redic Foster.
  - 11:00—U.S. Navy.
  - 11:15—Skyline Serenade.
  - 11:30—Aurora Town.
  - 11:45—Orchestra.
  - 12:00—Orchestra.
  - 12:15—News.
  - 12:30—Mercury Serenade.
  - 12:45—Nashville Varieties.
  - 1:00—News.
  - 1:15—Spotlight on Rhythm.
  - 1:30—Lum O'Abner.
  - 1:45—Full Speed Ahead.
  - 2:00—News.
  - 2:15—Broadway Band Wagon.
  - 2:30—Don Lee Newsreel.
  - 2:45—Radio Tour.
  - 3:00—Concert Hour.
  - 3:15—Johnson Family.
  - 3:30—Fulton Lewis.
  - 3:45—News.
  - 4:00—Lullaby in Rhythm.
  - 4:15—Roundup Revelers.
  - 4:30—Nightly Melodrama.
  - 4:45—Superman.
  - 5:00—Gordon Burke.
  - 5:15—Gabriel Heater.
  - 5:30—Nick Carter.
  - 5:45—Koin Club.
  - 6:00—Sports.
  - 6:15—Garden Talk.
  - 6:30—Commentary.
  - 6:45—Interlude.
  - 7:00—Cleo King.
  - 7:15—Night Starlet.
  - 7:30—Art Wilson.
  - 7:45—Music.
  - 8:00—Fulton Lewis.
  - 8:15—Music.
  - 8:30—Open Door.
  - 8:45—News.
  - 9:00—Music.
  - 9:15—Music Over West Coast.
  - 9:30—News.
  - 9:45—Music.
  - 10:00—Sign Off.
- KEX-BN-THURSDAY-1100 Kc.**
- 6:00—Musical Clock.
  - 6:15—National Farm & Home.
  - 6:30—Western Agriculture.
  - 6:45—Home Harmonies.
  - 7:00—Top of the Morning.
  - 7:15—News.
  - 7:30—James Abbe Observes.
  - 7:45—The Listening Post.
  - 8:00—Breakfast Club.
  - 8:15—Christian Science Program.
  - 8:30—Voice of Experience.
  - 8:45—Breakfast at Bard's.
  - 9:00—News.
  - 9:15—Sweet River.
  - 9:30—Ted Malone.
  - 9:45—Ladies Be Seated.
  - 10:00—Songs by Morton Downey.
  - 10:15—Hollywood Star Time.
  - 10:30—News.
  - 10:45—Sam Hayes.
  - 11:00—Bob Nichols.
  - 11:15—The Newsroom Review.
  - 11:30—What's Doing Ladies.
  - 11:45—Babies Institute.
  - 12:00—Music.
  - 12:15—Grace Elliott.
  - 12:30—News.
  - 12:45—Music.
  - 1:00—Kelly's Courthouse.
  - 1:15—Hop Harrigan.
  - 1:30—Sea Breeze.
  - 1:45—Terry and the Pirates.
  - 2:00—Dick Tracy.
  - 2:15—Jack Armstrong.
- KGW-NBC-THURSDAY-400 Kc.**
- 6:00—Schools at War.
  - 6:15—Spotlight on Music.
  - 6:30—The Story Teller.
  - 6:45—Raymond Gram Swing.
  - 7:00—Appointment for Life.
  - 7:15—News.
  - 7:30—Lum and Abner.
  - 7:45—Oregon's Today.
  - 8:00—Stop and Go.
  - 8:15—News.
  - 8:30—Portland Plan.
  - 8:45—America's Town Meeting.
  - 9:00—Concert Hour.
  - 9:15—Dan Harmon.
  - 9:30—Orson Welles.
  - 9:45—Five Star Fleet.
  - 10:00—Wartime Women.
  - 10:15—Gardening with Bouquet.
  - 10:30—Orchestra.
  - 10:45—Orchestra.
  - 11:00—News.
  - 11:15—Serenade.
  - 11:30—Music and News.
  - 11:45—6:00 a.m.—Music and News.
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  - 2:00—Dick Tracy.
  - 2:15—Jack Armstrong.
- KOIN-CBS-THURSDAY-450 Kc.**
- 6:00—Breakfast Reporter.
  - 6:15—Breakfast Bulletin.
  - 6:30—Texas Rangers.
  - 6:45—Koin Klock.
  - 7:00—News.
  - 7:15—Hubert Pringle.
  - 7:30—Consumer News.
  - 7:45—Valiant Lady.
  - 8:00—Stories America Loves.
  - 8:15—Aunt Jenny.
  - 8:30—Kate Smith Speaks.
  - 8:45—Open Door.
  - 9:00—Removal of Helen Trent.
  - 9:15—Our Gal Sunday.
  - 9:30—Open Door.
  - 9:45—Ma Perkins.
  - 10:00—Bernadine Flynn.
  - 10:15—The Godbergs.
  - 10:30—Pops Faces Life.
  - 10:45—Joyce Jordan.
  - 11:00—Young Dr. Malone.
  - 11:15—Fulton Lewis.
  - 11:30—News.
  - 11:45—Neighbors.
  - 12:00—Bright Horizons.
  - 12:15—Bachelor's Children.
  - 12:30—Broadway Matinee.
  - 12:45—Dorothy Fisher.
  - 1:00—Mary Martin.
  - 1:15—Scott Show.
  - 1:30—World Today.
  - 1:45—World Today.
  - 2:00—Lady of the Press.
  - 2:15—Bob Anderson, News.
  - 2:30—Tracer of Lost Persons.



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were forming in Europe, Knox had a brilliant group of correspondents there, headed by Edgar Mowrer who later was expelled from Germany by Hitler. Leland Stowe was one of this group.

Knox himself made a trip through Europe and became so alarmed that he used the News to warn the people of danger ahead. It was his position on foreign questions, probably, which induced Roosevelt to invite him to a cabinet position.

I will recall the last time I had the privilege of meeting Knox. He spoke at the governor's conference at Quincy in 1941, which is the site of the great Fore River shipyards. Members of the conference had visited the yards and seen the great battleship Massachusetts under construction.

A dinner was held that night which was addressed by Malcolm MacDonald, son of the former prime minister of Great Britain, and by Secretary Knox. Mr. Knox told of the tense situation in the north Atlantic with reference to the movement of lend-lease supplies to Britain, and he came close to expression of a policy of action on our part.

When the dinner ended, I went up and shook hands with him and inquired: "What are you waiting for?" He leaned over and remarked, "Word from the chief." Well, the word did not come from the chief; it came from the Japs at Pearl Harbor not many months after.

Frank Knox rests in the sacred soil of Arlington, but he leaves a record of devotion which should long be an inspiration to plain Americans.

## Today's Garden By LILLIE MADSEN

Mrs. S. T. sends me a leaf and a bloom which she owns up to having "snatched from a commercial garden during the past week. I have never seen this," she adds, "and I just can't make it out. The flowers look like azaleas but the leaves don't look like anything I know."

This is a rhododendron oriole. There I feel very smart. I didn't know either, until I visited a commercial garden this past week, but instead of "snatching" a piece, as Mrs. S. T. puts it, I asked the owner of the garden what it was. He very kindly told me. Most commercial growers are very glad to tell one the names of the plants in their gardens. This particular rhododendron is delightful. It is a rhododendron but it has flowers like an azalea and foliage like the native manzanita. It is quite unusual but it is also quite attractive. I have only seen it a couple of times, so take it that it is not too common.

## War Prisoners Aid Cares For Thousands of Soldiers

Latest figures on casualties of American armed forces reveal that there are 33,223 of this country's fighting men who are held by the enemy as prisoners of war, and who are potential recipients of aid and comfort provided by War Prisoners Aid, a member agency of the National War Fund, according to advices today to Charles A. Sprague, president of the Oregon War Chest. This aid to the prisoners of war is made possible in part by contributions to the Marion County War Chest.

The most recent compilation announced by the office of war information covers the period from Pearl Harbor through April 7, and also reveals that to date a total of 1902 American prisoners of war have died since they were taken prisoners, most of them in Japanese-occupied territory.

Of the total of American prisoners of war, 32,048 are men of the army, while 9282 are navy personnel. In addition to the service men held prisoners, there are thousands of American civilians who are interned in enemy concentration camps and to whom War Prisoners Aid also sends assistance.

War Prisoners Aid ships to Americans confined in prisoner of war camps and concentration centers in enemy-occupied territory books, musical instruments, athletic equipment and similar materials which relieve the maddening monotony of prison camp routine. Under supervision of visiting neutral representatives of War Prisoners Aid educational classes are conducted in many of the camps, and musical and theatrical organizations are formed to provide entertainment.

In one camp for women, a representative of War Prisoners Aid recently discovered a complete lack of anything to afford diversion for the internees. When this condition was learned, they were immediately supplied with a ping pong set, volley balls, a piano accordion, a phonograph and records, sewing materials and books and magazines.

## Mother Held



Mrs. Ann Standing of Sacramento, Calif., wife of an American soldier in Italy and mother of four children, was reported booked at Sacramento city prison recently on a charge of attempted murder of her infant daughter, born April 18. The infant was found in the basement of the Standing home by neighborhood children looking for waste paper. The babe, still alive, was wrapped in a blanket and in a cardboard box. Rushed to a hospital, the infant is reported doing fine. The infant is pictured held by Nurse Jean Wilson at the hospital.

## Baldock Wires For Go-Ahead On Road Jobs

State highway engineer R. H. Baldock Wednesday sent telegrams to Oregon's delegation in congress urging them to confer with the war production board in an effort to obtain a favorable decision on the proposal of the highway commission to immediately start improvement of three sections of the Pacific highway at a cost of \$2,500,000.

The proposed improvements involve the Salem-Jefferson, Harrisburg and Grave Creek-Wolf Creek sections of the highway. Information received here from Washington, D.C., indicated that the war production board recently rejected similar highway improvements in the state of Washington on the ground that men suitable for highway construction operations were required in war industries.

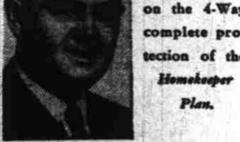
There also is a possibility, Baldock said, that the congressional delegations of Oregon, Washington and California, would appear jointly before the war production board. Plans for the Oregon highway improvement already have been completed.

Baldock said a recent survey indicated that awarding of contracts for the three improvements on the Pacific highway in Oregon would not interfere with essential war industries or increase the seriousness of the manpower situation.

The Salem-Jefferson section improvement includes construction of a bridge to cost \$300,000.

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## Stockman May Be Candidate For Judge

Jay Stockman, for nearly four years attorney for the state industrial accident commission here, is an avowed candidate for circuit judge of Multnomah county, to succeed Robert Tucker, who died there Tuesday, his friends declared here Wednesday.

Prior to coming to Salem Stockman practiced law in Portland and was attached to the district attorney's office of Multnomah county for nine years.

Appointment of Judge Tucker's successor probably will be delayed until the return of Governor Earl Snell who left Wednesday for an eight days tour of Southern and central Oregon.

Stockman has resigned as attorney for the industrial accident commission, effective May 15.

## Alumni Plant Work Starts

Construction of one block of buildings for Salem's \$4,000,000 alumni plant is now in progress under the direction of the Ross B. Hammond Construction company of Portland.

Hammond's contract covers construction of an office structure, locker building, maintenance shop, warehouse, gate house and four lookout guard stations. The contract provides that construction shall be completed within 45 days. Erick will be used in construction of the three major structures.

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