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Flying Round the World

Global flying is nothing new, though most of the flights have been along the smaller circles rather than around the full equatorial belt. But now TWA makes application for a license for regular flights clear round the world. It seeks to set up a system of flights from key points in the United States to 10 key traffic centers in foreign lands, with a plan which would bring any point in its world system to within 38 hours of the United States. Jules Verne whose wonder book on "Around the World in 80 Days" was one of the popular works of fiction a half century and more ago, would turn over in his grave at such a proposal.

TWA's application accentuates the imminence of the question of how to handle commercial flying when the war ends. It involves politics, economics and mechanics. Committees have been studying the question, and Assistant Secretary of State A. A. Berle had conferences recently with Lord Beaverbrook in Great Britain, but nothing had been made public as to the terms of any agreement. We need to develop a clear and firm policy on how we shall deal with foreign countries, with foreign companies; how we shall permit or encourage American companies (or a single monopoly) to operate.

Secrets vs. Human Nature

If ever a well-kept secret has paid dividends, it is the date of the greatest invasion in history. So far, nothing has transpired to alter the belief the Germans in France were caught off guard—with the resultant saving of thousands of allied lives.

But one man talked. And only mitigating circumstance in his favor is that he apparently did not disclose the locale of the impending blow—if he knew.

From all appearances, Maj. Gen. Henry J. F. Miller, in being demoted and sent home for saying at a London cocktail party that the invasion would be "before June 13," has received no more punishment than even so respected an officer deserved.

It is human nature to want to share a secret, or at least to let the world know that one has inside information even though nothing specifically is divulged. In childhood it is "I know a secret but I won't tell."

And apparently even the president and his wife are as human as the rest of us. By disclosing that she knew in advance the date of the invasion, Mrs. Roosevelt showed that her husband must have confided in her. But she apparently kept the faith, and no harm was done later in her irresistible desire to let others know she was in the high confidence.

It is regretted that Gen. Miller, through his off-base wish to show his knowledge, has been lost as a general officer in the war theatre. But if it turns out that the price of his slip has not been too great for others, he may have served a useful purpose by showing those in the service and out that there is a terrifying importance in the trite phrase, "zip your lip."

They're Still Good

It was more than startling on the day of invasion to learn that last month Americans cashed \$271,000,000 in war bonds—an estimated

Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
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Allied efforts to expand the Normandy beachhead westward toward the mouth of the Seine and westward across the base of the Cherbourg peninsula have German observers worried over which direction the next major phase of the fight may take. They report naval bombardments and possible new landing operations far beyond either end of the present beachhead.

Eastward around partially encircled Caen the first major tank battle of the invasion is being fought out. The odds seem too long in the allies' favor, however, for great doubt that the old city must soon fall. It is in easy range of big allied naval guns to supplement allied air domination over and beyond the beachhead and offset a possible immediate Nazi superiority in tank power.

With its capture, prompt expansion of the invasion front into the Seine delta to bring La Havre, big port near the Seine mouth, under a land-and-sea cross fire would result. That is what Berlin broadcasts imply as the reason for the desperate Nazi effort to cling to Caen against such odds.

There is no allied confirmation of a sea bombardment of La Havre. If that port is General Montgomery's next eastward objective, it is doubtful his sea batteries would be loosed against it. The foe can be counted on to demolish much of the port installations. There would be little point in adding unnecessary wreckage from allied guns.

It is quite conceivable, however, that new allied landings on the wide beaches east of La Havre might develop. Pincer attacks to nip off such promontories as that on which Cherbourg, La Havre and Brest in Brittany stand are always to be expected. Nor is there much doubt that sooner or later, once the Cherbourg bulge is in allied hands to facilitate troops the supply movements, the Brittany peninsula will become the focus of a southwestward drive.

Berlin already reports heavy allied shipping concentrations sighted in the Bay of Biscay, southward of the Brittany coast. It seems unlikely that the time is ripe for that. Not until the Cherbourg bulge is fully in allied control would Brittany become vulnerable.

That may not be long deferred. Allied spearheads reported west of Carentan near the base of the Normandy peninsula. That would place American advance elements within 10 miles or even less of the road and rail lines paralleling the west shore of the peninsula, the only supply or escape line still open to German forces holding Cherbourg and the hilly tip of the Normandy foreland.

30 per cent of all sales for the same period.

There can be an excuse for such action in cases of actual hardship, of course. But if there was \$271,000,000 worth of hardship in this country in May, 1944, it can't be seen at a glance.

The purchase and immediate sale of war bonds doesn't help the war effort. Those who plan such disposal had better never buy.

The intrinsic value of war savings plans was evinced in the case of a 25-year-old stamp from the last war, which turned up in an old book a few days ago.

It was of the series of 1918, worth \$5 on the redeemable date in 1923. Long forgotten, it finally was presented to the federal reserve bank to see what would happen. The answer was instantaneous—the stamp was cashable at its face value.

A few current war bonds would be mighty handy no matter at what future date they show up. Cashed now, they represent nothing but wasted paper and effort, insofar as the war effort is concerned.

We May Not Like It, But—

That new \$5 use-stamp tax for the family car is just about due and there isn't a thing to do about it but pay up.

The stamp long has been a point of controversy and there is considerable merit to the contention that it is unfair to add another \$150,000,000 to the bill of car operators who already share a tax burden considerably out of proportion to theirs.

Automobile tax, personal property tax, gasoline tax, accessories tax and luxury tax, as well as other federal and state levies, have been heaped upon the nation's motorists.

It seems hardly likely that the manpower essential for the sale and recording of the use-stamp tax, as well as the vital paper used in the process, warrants continuance of the separate levy which cannot but net far less than its gross proceeds. And there are enough windshield stickers without that one.

The "soak the car owner" assessment seems to be one of those things which could be eliminated in the first phase of a needed program to equalize and simplify the financing both of the war and the peace.

News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, June 14 — The great enthusiasm of the first day of the landing in France made ensuing reports of the first week of the battle seem somewhat disappointing.

Most authorities would have expected the penetration to be three or four times as deep by now.

The unexpected strength of the German troops, the extent of underwater mine fields, and bad weather in the channel can be offered as valid explanations. The fighting, too, has been as tough or tougher than represented. But optimism on this side was certainly overplanned.

It may possibly be five more days before the battle will have reached the point where any authentic guesses can be made as to how long the job will take (adding three more days to the original forecast published June 8 for the three days of bad channel weather.)

Concentrations of power on both the landing and defensive sides always require much more time than people generally expect. After the north African landings, weeks passed before the important conflicts. On the Anzio beachhead in Italy, where no opposition was offered to our landing, the battle did not develop until the eighth day.

The truly unexplained mystery of the attack so far however, has been the almost total absence of the German air force. No more than 100 Nazi planes a day appeared over the battle area in the first six days. The average was 30 to 50 planes. We blackened the skies the first day with 11,000 planes, and it is no military secret that we have amassed forces which will increase that figure.

The long unanswered question of "where is the German air force," is still unanswered. The Germans have allowed odds of 110 to 1 against them to prevail over the heads of their troops.

The deduction that Hitler is saving his planes is natural, but does not explain the shortage of reconnaissance planes in the channel when our 4000 ships were plowing their way across the first day. If he is saving the Luftwaffe, it must be to meet a second invasion somewhere on the coast, which General Eisenhower constantly has threatened from day to day by ship and plane maneuvers. How it can be any more valuable to him than, than for the first invasion, I cannot understand. In fact, I am beginning to doubt gravely if there is a Luftwaffe in France, any more than there was one in Italy.

Herr Goering's brave orders to it to fight to the death as the attack opened, probably were delivered to empty space.

Down in Italy, their flight from Rome has been accompanied by a collapse of German morale beyond our fondest hopes. They had plenty of time to prepare to get out, but even so, their troops have been sharply cut up. Their whole retreat has been disorderly, and their remaining armies have lost cohesion.

This raises the question of whether they can now hold the Apennine line for any length of time. This series of fortified mountain positions, running across the boot from Livorno to Florence to Rimini, is well dug and has been long occupied to guard against any amphibious landings north of Rome.

But the Nazis will need reinforcements from southern France and Yugoslavia if they are to hold it. The reports on their military strength was 19 divisions around Rome, and two or three more sent forward from the Apennine line for the defense in front of the capital.

Our latest figure on captured prisoners runs no higher than 30,000, which would be about three divisions as German divisions go these days. While these figures would indicate they have escaped to the Apennines with the bulk of their troops, their condition is hardly as formidable as their numbers.



'Where to Go This Summer?'

Today's Radio Programs

- KSLM-MBS-THURSDAY-1300 Kc.**
 - 6:15—Passing Parade.
 - 6:30—It's the Truth.
 - 6:45—News.
 - 7:00—News.
 - 7:15—Rise and Shine.
 - 7:30—Shady Valley.
 - 7:45—Today's Top Trades.
 - 8:00—Good Ship Grace.
 - 8:15—News.
 - 8:30—Orchestra.
 - 8:45—Boake Carter.
 - 9:00—Boake Carter.
 - 9:15—Pastor's Call.
 - 9:30—Midland USA.
 - 9:45—Annam Jennifer Logan.
 - 10:00—Hardy News.
 - 10:15—Jack Berch.
 - 10:30—Let's Be Charming.
 - 10:45—American Woman's Jury.
 - 11:00—Cedric Foster.
 - 11:15—US Navy.
 - 11:30—Skyline Serenade.
 - 11:45—Around Town.
 - 12:00—Organalities.
 - 12:15—News.
 - 12:30—Hillbilly Serenade.
 - 12:45—Nashville Varieties.
 - 1:00—Spotlight on Rhythm.
 - 1:15—News.
 - 1:30—Spotlight on Rhythm.
 - 1:45—Lum and Abner.
 - 2:00—National Conference for Christians and Jews.
 - 2:15—News.
 - 2:30—Broadway Band Wagon.
 - 2:45—Don Lee Newsreel.
 - 2:55—Don Lee.
 - 3:10—The Mystery Chef.
 - 3:25—Concert Hour.
 - 3:40—Johnson Family.
 - 3:55—Pick 'n' Pat.
 - 4:10—Care and Feeding of a Husband.
 - 4:25—Lullaby in Rhythm.
 - 4:40—Roundup Revelers.
 - 4:55—News.
 - 5:10—Superman.
 - 5:25—Dinner Melodies.
 - 5:40—Gordon Burke.
 - 5:55—Gabriel Heatter.
 - 6:10—Nick Carter.
 - 6:25—Hardy Talk.
 - 6:40—Sports.
 - 6:55—Commentary.
 - 7:10—Life 'n' Abner.
 - 7:25—Cleo Kid.
 - 7:40—Music.
 - 7:55—Pick 'n' Pat.
 - 8:10—Orchestra.
 - 8:25—Music.
 - 8:40—Rex Miller.
 - 8:55—Fulton Lewis.
 - 9:10—Wings Over West Coast.
 - 9:25—News.
 - 9:40—Sign Off.
- KEX-EN-THURSDAY-1190 Kc.**
 - 6:15—Musical Clock.
 - 6:30—National Farm & Home.
 - 6:45—Western Agricultur.
 - 7:00—Home Harmonies.
 - 7:15—Top of the Morning.
 - 7:30—News.
 - 7:45—James Abbe Observer.
 - 7:55—The Listening Post.
 - 8:10—Breakfast Club.
 - 8:25—Christian Science Program.
 - 8:40—Voice of Experience.
 - 8:55—Breakfast at Sardi's.
 - 9:10—Sweet River.
 - 9:25—My True Story.
 - 9:40—Baukage Talking.
 - 9:55—The Mystery Chef.
 - 10:10—Ladies Be Seated.
 - 10:25—Songs by Morton Downey.
 - 10:40—Hollywood Star Time.
 - 10:55—News.
 - 11:10—Sara Hayes.
 - 11:25—Radio Parade.
 - 11:40—Blue Newsroom Review.
 - 11:55—What's Doing, Ladies.
 - 12:10—Baby Institute.
 - 12:25—Labor News.
 - 12:40—Alex Clippier, Organist.
 - 12:55—Grace Elliott.
 - 1:10—News.
 - 1:25—Rollie Truitt Time.
 - 1:40—Music.
 - 1:55—Kelly's Courthouse.
 - 2:10—Hop Harrigan.
 - 2:25—Sea Hound.
 - 2:40—Terry and the Pirates.
 - 2:55—Dick Tracy.
 - 3:10—Jack Armstrong.
 - 3:25—Captain Midnight.
 - 3:40—US Coast Guard.
 - 3:55—Sea Hound.
 - 4:10—The Story Teller.
 - 4:25—Raymond Gram Swing.
 - 4:40—Appointment for Life.
 - 4:55—Red Ryder.
 - 5:10—News.
 - 5:25—Lum and Abner.
 - 5:40—Oregon's Own.
 - 5:55—Stop or Go.
- KGW-NBC-THURSDAY-690 Kc.**
 - 4:00—Dawn Patrol.
 - 4:15—Labor News.
 - 4:30—Mirth and Madness.
 - 4:45—News.
 - 5:00—Labor News.
 - 5:15—James Abbe News.
 - 5:30—Silly Symphonies.
 - 5:45—David Harum.
 - 6:00—Personality Hour.
 - 6:15—Sketches in Melody.
 - 6:30—Ruth Forbes.
 - 6:45—News.
 - 7:00—Art Baker's Notebook.
 - 7:15—The Guiding Light.
 - 7:30—Today's Children.
 - 7:45—Light of the World.
 - 8:00—Melodies of Home.
 - 8:15—Women of America.
 - 8:30—Ma Perkins.
 - 8:45—Pepper Young's Family.
 - 9:00—Right to Happiness.
 - 9:15—Backstage Wife.
 - 9:30—Stella Dallas.
 - 9:45—Lorenzo Jones.
 - 10:00—Young Widder Brown.
 - 10:15—When a Girl Marries.
 - 10:30—We Love and Learn.
 - 10:45—Just Plain Bill.
 - 11:00—Front Page Farrell.
 - 11:15—Road of Life.
 - 11:30—Vic and Sada.
 - 11:45—Bob Boynton.
 - 12:00—Bambino Reader.
 - 12:15—Dr. Kate.
 - 12:30—News of the World.
 - 12:45—Voice of A Nation.
 - 1:00—Carl Kalish Orchestra.
 - 1:15—OK for Release.
 - 1:30—Tunes at Sundown.
 - 1:45—Day Foster Commentator.
 - 2:00—Louis F. Lochner.
 - 2:15—Music Hall.
 - 2:30—Bob Burns.
 - 2:45—Abbott and Costello.
 - 3:00—March of Time.
 - 3:15—Fred Waring in Pleasure Pines.
 - 3:30—Night Editor.
 - 3:45—Coffee Time.
 - 4:00—Aldrich Family.
 - 4:15—Klery Queen.
 - 4:30—News Flashes.
 - 4:45—Laur Home Town News.
 - 5:00—Laur News.
 - 5:15—Strings for Meditation.
 - 5:30—Hotel Belvedere Orchestra.
 - 5:45—News.
 - 6:00—2 a m.—Swing Shift.
- KOIN-CBS-THURSDAY-850 Kc.**
 - 6:00—Northwest Farm Reporter.
 - 6:30—KOIN Clock.
 - 6:45—KOIN Rangers.
 - 7:15—News.
 - 7:30—News.
 - 7:45—Nelson Pringle.
 - 8:00—Consumer News.
 - 8:15—Vallant Lady.
 - 8:30—Stories America Loves.
 - 8:45—Aunt Jenny.
 - 9:00—Kate Smith Speaks.
 - 9:15—Big Sister.
 - 9:30—Romance of Helen Trent.
 - 9:45—Our Gal Sunday.
 - 10:00—Life of Be Beautiful.
 - 10:15—Ma Perkins.
 - 10:30—Bernadine Flynn.
 - 10:45—The Godbergs.
 - 11:00—Portia Faces Life.
 - 11:15—Joyce Jordan.
 - 11:30—Young Dr. Malone.
 - 11:45—Perry Mason.
 - 12:00—News.
 - 12:15—Neighbors.
 - 12:30—Bright Horizons.
 - 12:45—Bachelors Children.
 - 1:00—Broadway Matinee.
 - 1:15—Story of Fisher.
 - 1:30—Mary Marlin.
 - 1:45—Mid-afternoon Melodies.
 - 2:00—Open Door.
 - 2:15—Newspaper of the Air.
 - 2:30—American Women.
 - 2:45—State Traffic.
 - 3:00—Stars of Today.
 - 3:15—World Today.
 - 3:30—News.
 - 3:45—Lady of the Press.
 - 4:00—Bob Anderson News.
 - 4:15—Tracer of Lost Persons.
 - 4:30—Galen Drake.
 - 4:45—Red's Gang.
 - 5:00—Harry Flannery News.
 - 5:15—News.
 - 5:30—Bill Benry.
 - 5:45—Lum and Abner.
 - 6:00—Dinah Shore.
 - 6:15—The First Line.
 - 6:30—News to Romance.
 - 6:45—I Love a Mystery.

EARLY NEWS BY LOWELL THOMAS 7:15 P.M. DON LEE-MUTUAL



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IT SEEMS TO ME

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the "Merrimac" with iron—the first iron-clad vessel. Shot from the federal gunboats bounced off its sides and the "Merrimac" threatened to destroy the whole federal navy, until another "secret weapon", the "Monitor", a "Cheese-box on a raft", with a revolving turret appeared, fought a four-hour battle with the "Merrimac" (renamed the "Virginia") and forced it to retire from action with a leak at the waterline. Oddly enough, however, the future naval development embraced principles of both types: the "iron-clad" became the vessel built with heavy armor-plate; and the turret became the highly mobile gun turret of modern warships.

Just how a "new" weapon appears to those on the side lacking it is revealed in Ariosto's poem "Orlando Furioso" (1516). Orlando the hero, was a knight who got into combat with a foe with a firearm. The poet of course has his lance-armed hero win his fight, and then search the booty for the firearm—"the pest" . . . "that device, whose unresisted force resembled thunder in its rapid course."

And this is what Orlando did with the firearm: he sailed out on the ocean and cast it into the sea, saying:

"O! cursed device! base implement of death!
Fram'd in the black Tartarean realms beneath
By Beelzebub's malicious art design'd
To ruin all the race of human-kind . . .
That ne'er again a knight by them may dare,
Or dastard coward, by they help in war,
With vantage base, assault a nobler foe,
Here lie forever in th' abyss below!"

Alas for Orlando, the firearm refused to stay on the bottom of the ocean. He was a pretty fair prophet though when he saw what the firearm would do to "the race of human kind."

We moderns are no smarter than Orlando. Did not the great nations back in 1922 sink their warships in the ocean, with the same hope as Orlando? And the same subsequent disillusionment.

Marshallese Like American Surgeons

AN ADVANCED US ARMY BASE, Marshall Islands, June 14 (AP)—Army surgeons at this central Pacific outpost perform an average of two major operations daily. Most of the patients are American service men, but quite a few Marshallese shot by the Japanese have been handled and some Japanese prisoners of war also have been reluctant patients.

Maj. Harvey D. Bingham of Seattle, chief surgeon, said the Marshallese are docile patients. "If we wanted to change their dressings half a dozen times a day they'd be there grinning and chattering happily," he said.

Today's Garden

By LILLIE MADSEN

Mrs. F. S. writes that she is growing "lovely tomato plants" with the "nicest foliage" but that all the fruits are dropping off. In fact, the flowers are big, too, but they do not develop. She has given her bed some ammonium fertilizer and a lot of manure. This used to, she writes, pep her lawn up so much in the spring that she thought it was good for the tomatoes.

Answer: But she must remember she isn't trying to grow a forage crop. She is trying to grow fruit. The nitrogenous fertilizers will "pep" up the growth of foliage and grass and the "forage" division of the plants but it will not do much toward developing fruit. More potash and phosphate are needed for this. She probably won't be able to do much for her tomatoes this year, although I'd give them some application of superphosphate. Potash is a difficult thing to obtain now, but that does help fruit development.

Next year don't put manure and nitrogenous fertilizers in the tomato bed.

- KGAC-THURSDAY-850 Kc.**
 - 10:30—News.
 - 10:45—The Homemaker's Hour.
 - 11:00—Allen Roth.
 - 11:30—Concert Hall.
 - 12:00—News.
 - 12:15—Noon Farm Hour.
 - 1:00—Home Garden Range.
 - 1:15—Treasury Salute.
 - 1:30—Variety Time.
 - 2:00—Home Garden Hour.
 - 2:30—Memory Book of Music.
 - 3:00—News.
 - 3:15—Variety Time.
 - 4:00—Daughters of Amer. Revolution.
 - 4:15—Latin-American Neighbors.
 - 4:30—Traffic Safety Quiz.
 - 4:45—Excursions in Science.
 - 5:00—On the Upbeat.
 - 5:30—Story Time.
 - 5:45—It's Oregon's War.
 - 6:15—News.
 - 6:30—Evening Farm Hour.
 - 7:00—Music of the Churches.
 - 8:00—Musical Comedy Revue.
 - 8:30—Oregon's Own.
 - 9:00—Music That Endures.
 - 9:30—News.

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