

Increasing Vigilance to Combat Sabotage Urged; Carelessness, Thrill-Seeking Great Troubles

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WASHINGTON—Each landing operation in the Pacific, North Africa, Sicily, at Salerno and Anzio, and now in France, has electrified the nation. Each has brought us closer to victory, but each likewise is a signal for increased vigilance.

As pressure on our enemies mounts, they are likely to strike back when it is least expected. It is a mistake to underestimate the double-dealing and warped ingenuity of our foes.

Although we have not lost a dime's worth of production from enemy-directed sabotage, we have suffered heavy damage from horseplay, carelessness, thrill sabotage by youngsters and sabotage by downright hoggish workers who manufacture or approve de-

On Draft Dodgers' Trail

The true pattern of unpatriotic boondoggling has been revealed in the nearly 9000 persons convicted for draft evasion. "Draft dodgers" have increased the work of the FBI many fold since the passage of the Selective Service and Training Act on Oct. 16, 1940. So far the FBI has handled more than 350,000 cases of reported delinquency. Nearly 338,000 have been closed when the men either complied with the act or were made available for the armed services.

Cooperation has been the keynote in facing security problems. The army, navy and all law enforcement agencies, working hand in hand with the support of good Americans, have earned a citation for a difficult job well done to date. I cannot be too high in my personal praise of the efforts of the directors of military and naval intelligence and their asso-



STAB IN THE BACK—Although enemy-directed sabotage has not succeeded in a single instance in World War II, the nation has suffered heavily from the depredations of thrill-mad youngsters, dishonest workers, horseplay and carelessness.

fective war materials to fatten their own pay checks. Out of 16,295 cases of reported sabotage, only 1736 instances of actual violations of the sabotage statutes were found during the past year.

Jokesters, Cheaters

For months, hardly a day has passed when some youngster has not tried to wreck a train just for the thrill. War freight has littered roadbeds and even lives have been lost.

In Baltimore and Boston scores of shipyard workers have been arrested for cheating servicemen on foreign battlefronts out of needed supplies by submitting fraudulent claims for work undone.

Numerous persons have been convicted for making defective materials of war and for fraud against the government. It is the job of honest, patriotic workmen to see that the armed forces do not suffer needless casualties because of greed. Those who would profit by law violation are close to treason. They should be promptly reported to the FBI.

ciates for their performance under most trying circumstances.

Victory Not Here Yet

We all have high stakes in the present invasion of Europe and the future blitzes against Japan. Casualties are inevitable. They can be minimized if the home front is kept secure.

The fact that espionage has been under control and the enemy has not sabotaged our production lines is no cause for complacency.

The enemy must not be underestimated. Our guard must be kept up.

A few successful acts of sabotage could cause more damage than an invading division. We know the enemy has highly trained saboteurs and still has submarines and other means of getting them over here. Only increased vigilance and alertness can thwart them. Winning the war is the number one task for every loyal American. Nothing should impede its progress. Anything short of complete backing of armed and naval forces is letting them down and an aid to the enemy.

Local Artists Give Program For Mexicans

Homesick Mexicans, who are living at the fairgrounds during their summer stay in Salem, are being entertained each Thursday night by musicians from the city. The project is one of the Spanish class of the American Association of University Women, and follows the weekly English class which is conducted for the Mexicans.

"The Mexicans are naturally a happy people, who sing at their work and spend the evenings with their music" one of the committee members told a reporter. "We probably learn more Spanish during the class period, than they do English," she added.

The first program, put on several Thursdays ago, was presented by Pat Meisinger and a group of accordionists in full costume. The next entertainment was given by Mrs. Florence Doherty, who put on a program fashioned after those of Kate Smith.

Two marimba players from the Meisinger studios, Wayne Mercer and Edward Struck put on the third concert. Also on the program were Consuelo and Nadyne Routt of Portland, who gave folk dances to the tune of castanets.

Usually, the committeewoman said, the Mexican boys join in the music along toward 11 o'clock and when the sponsors and entertainers leave at that time, continue on singing and playing.

From 100 to 150 Mexicans have been attending the entertainments, with a few local people coming occasionally. The programs start at 8 o'clock, and interested persons are invited.

Rosedale Man Convinces Friend He Has Tall Corn

C. A. Mennis of the Rosedale community couldn't get his friend, "Sunny" Benson of the Malt shop, to believe he really had a fine stalk of corn. So Mennis brought a stalk to town. It had three ears and measured 10 feet 1 1/2 inches long—and had been cut off several inches above the ground. Mennis has five acres of the corn, used for silage.

More Canning Sugar Coming

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Aug. 17—(AP)—The Sacramento OPA office announced today sugar rationing would be relaxed on a nation-wide basis to permit home canners to preserve and sell some of the surplus peach crop.

V. J. Monteverde, Sacramento district food rationing officer, said 250 pounds of sugar would be allowed to each family unit meeting the requirements for canning for sale.

Family units must furnish proof that the fruit is available, a statement that the processed food will be sold, a description of canning facilities to insure satisfactory processing, must comply with OPA records in keeping accounts and must collect and turn in blue ration stamps at listed point values for the canned fruit.

The OPA office yesterday announced this program for California only but today added that it would be made nationwide.

Attorney Asks Gov. Snell For Leave of Absence

ROSEBURG, Aug. 17—(AP)—Douglas County District Attorney J. V. Long has asked Gov. Earl Snell for a leave of absence to enable him to enter the navy, it was announced here today.

Long will receive an indoctrination course at Princeton, N.J., as a lieutenant, junior grade. He is an unopposed candidate for reelection this fall.

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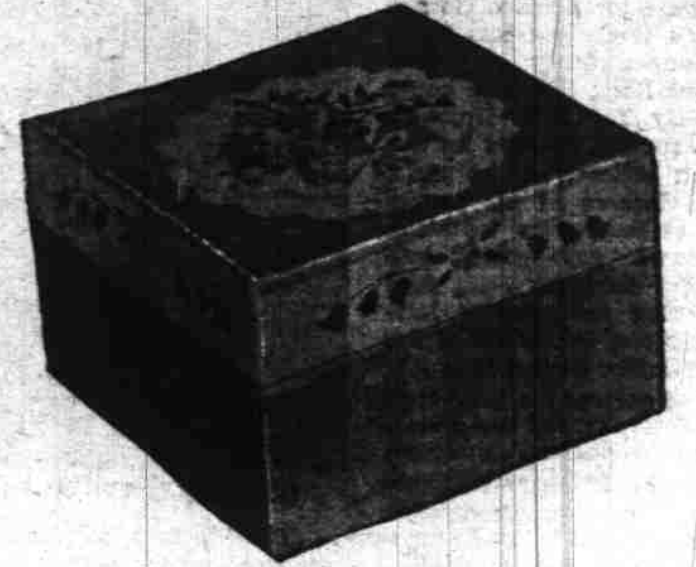
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