

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

Secretary Morgenthau announced Friday that he had received informal approval from congressional committees to recruit 10,000 new agents for the international revenue bureau to assist on rounding up tax evaders.

What kind of commentary is that on our patriotism? On our respect for law?

The fact reveals a deep streak of lawlessness among the American people. It emerged before during prohibition and was the real cause of the breakdown of that noble experiment.

The fundamental need in America is better respect for law. Our inherent instinct for personal liberty is given such free rein that law observance becomes too much a matter of convenience or necessity.

Sure, we're for the USA, and for winning the war (with others doing the fighting). We buy bonds (which pay us good interest). We're against Hitler and the damned Japs.

Tyranny Still Real Menace, Declares Pope

VATICAN CITY, June 2-(AP)—Pope Pius XII expressed the hope today that the German people, purged of Nazism, "can rise to new dignity and new life."

In a world broadcast on Saint Eugene's day—his name day—The pontiff reviewed the Vatican's pre-war German policy.

The pope declared that the Vatican concluded the 1933 concordat with Germany "to set up a formidable barrier to the spread of ideas at once subversive and violent."

Walter Smith Dies in Battle

SCOTT'S MILLS, June 2—Pvt. Walter R. Smith, grandson of Mrs. Ella F. Smith, was killed in action on Mindanao, May 6, while serving with the 21st infantry.

Smith was born near Salem and lived in that vicinity until his father's death in 1930 when he moved with his mother and other members of the family to Parker, Idaho.

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Weather

Table with columns: Max, Min, Rain. Locations: San Francisco, Eugene, Salem, Portland, Seattle.

Forecast (from 11 a. m. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Cloudiness to be followed by partly cloudy this afternoon. Little change in temperature. Maximum of near 72 degrees expected.

CARRIER PLANES HIT JAPAN

Sugar For Canning Cut; DeGaulle Blames British

Rations Reduced To 10 lbs.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 2-(AP)—Allotments of home canning sugar today were reduced from 15 to 10 pounds to assure every consumer an equal supply.

Janne said the order came from regional headquarters in San Francisco and applies to Oregon, Washington, northern Idaho, California, Nevada and Arizona.

Rationing officials said the cut was necessary to prevent possible complete suspension of home canning sugar.

McDaniel Brown, district OPA director, said the United States is 1,500,000 pounds of sugar short of its national demand.

New '46 Ford Will Feature Improvements

DETROIT, June 2-(AP)—The first Ford passenger automobiles to be built since February, 1942, will feature numerous styling and design changes.

This was disclosed today with announcement by the company that it has completed a hand-made model of the super deluxe line it will put into production with the rest of the car industry after July 1.

First of the automobile manufacturers to uncover its planning for production of its 1946 models, Ford emphasized that production was not expected to begin much before 60 or 90 days.

No Information Given On Liquidation Story

MOSCOW, June 2-(AP)—No information has become available here to support Washington-voiced reports that the Russians were "liquidating" professional people in Berlin and other occupied German areas they control.

Fat Lamb Show Boosts Bond Sale at Turner With High Bids

By Lillie L. Madsen Farm and Garden Editor TURNER, June 2-(Special)—A five-month-old lamb brought \$4500, and a three-month-old American Shetland sheep dog brought \$4000 to the Turner bond committee at the eighth annual Marion county fat lamb show held here Saturday.

Elmer Lorence, chairman of the newly organized Marion County Livestock association, paid \$58 for Popcorn, a small lamb, grand champion lamb of the show.

To Syria



Gen. Sir Bernard C. T. Paget, commander British 9th Army in the middle east, ordered to intervene in the conflict in Syria.

Log Shortage Soon to Close Silverton Mill

Inability to get logs in sufficient quantity or quality for its needs has forced the management of the Silver Falls Timber Co. to close down its Silverton mill.

This was the statement of M. C. Woodard, general manager, in Portland on Saturday night.

The sawmill will be closed down in about a week and the planning and shipping departments in two weeks.

The closure was interpreted as "liquidation" by McGinnis, who admitted it was made necessary by the inability of the company to get logs.

The closure was forecast several weeks ago when Woodard notified the state board of control they would be unable to furnish hog fuel to state institution after the middle of June.

Capital Building Will Be Open on Sundays From 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.

The state capitol building hereafter will be open Sundays from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m., Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr., announced Saturday.

Two Companies Of State Guard Mustered Out

Two Oregon state guard companies have been mustered out of service, pursuant to an order of the general staff and approval of the war department.

Suggests Big Four Meeting

PARIS, June 2-(AP)—General De Gaulle charged today that Syrians who fought the French "carried arms furnished by the British and suggested that a four-power conference including Russia negotiate the question of the whole Arab world."

When asked to give the names of the "crowd" of British agents which he said precipitated the Syrian and Lebanese uprising, De Gaulle said "everyone knows their names, and I would blush to give them to you."

"We must finish with 'diktats' and crises," said the French leader in outlining the French side of the Levant dispute which has found the Syrians and Lebanese refusing to negotiate with the French because of French wishes for concessions in their homelands.

De Gaulle told of French-British political and economic clashes in the middle east dating from the last world war and clearly indicated his refusal to submit the middle east problem to a tripartite meeting of France, Britain and the United States.

He declared Churchill's message "will change nothing," adding "I haven't thought it necessary to reply to this message."

Reminding his listeners at a press conference that Russia has interests in the middle east, De Gaulle said:

"There are many who are interested in this question. First of all there are the big four—France, Britain, the United States and Soviet Russia. And there are also the arab states."

Blood Needed To Save Lives Of Valley Men

The Salem area reached its 200-pint blood quota last week—but the picture was far from encouraging today.

Less than a third of the necessary volunteers have registered for next Tuesday's visit of the Red Cross mobile blood bank.

Leaders in the life-saving effort are pointing out that more than 350 Willamette valley men have died in the war so far, that the list still is growing—but that many lives will be saved if the vital plasma is available on the front lines.

Volunteers are being asked to telephone 9277 to indicate their willingness to aid during the bank's visit at the First Methodist church at 11 a. m. Tuesday.

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Globular Object In Portland Yard Causes Excitement

PORTLAND, Ore., June 2-(AP)—Police received an urgent telephone call to "come quick! I think there's a Jap balloon in my yard."

The patrolmen cautiously approached, it was a large frosted light globe from a park lamp post.

British Try to Protect French In Damascus

DAMASCUS, June 2-(AP)—Angry Syrian crowds caught and killed two Senegalese soldiers trying to reach French headquarters from their outpost today while British troops strove to protect the French.

French troops are being taken from their barracks in the city by the British under cover of the curfew, and barracks as yet not evacuated are guarded heavily by British armor.

Some French conscripts early today fired on passersby from a barracks wall, wounding two. The wounded were rescued by British tanks.

Since noon, Damascus has been quiet, but there is angry tension as citizens inspect their costs in lives and property from the three-day battle here.

Meanwhile it was announced that Gen. Olyvia-Rogot, French officer who directed the bombing, shelling and machine-gunning of Damascus which started Tuesday night, has been dismissed from his command by British request.

Japan to Give U. S. Chance To Surrender

SAN FRANCISCO, June 2-(AP)—Tokyo radio said today Japan would soon be in a position to "open the way for the unconditional surrender of the United States" along the "same lines" as those proposed for Japan by President Truman.

The Tokyo propagandist, Isamu Inouye, declared in the broadcast recorded by the federal communications commission that Japan does not want to "enslave the American people or exterminate them."

This was a play on President Truman's assurances to the Japanese people that unconditional surrender would not mean their enslavement or extermination.

Auto Stamps To Go on Sale

WASHINGTON, June 2-(AP)—That windshield tax is due again. The new \$5 automobile tax stamps will go on sale next Saturday, June 3, it was announced today by Joseph D. Nunan, jr., commissioner of internal revenue.

Beginning July 1, the stamps must be exhibited on all motor vehicles which are used on the highways.

You can buy the stamps at all post offices and offices of internal revenue collectors. You can get it by mail from an internal revenue collector if you send cash, money order, or certified check.

7th Loan at 38.8% Of Quota in Oregon

PORTLAND, June 2-(AP)—Bond sales of \$4,332,859 today had put Oregon's Seventh War Loan drive total to \$42,761,370 or 38.8 per cent of the \$110,000,000 quota. Total E bond sales reached \$24,955,200.

Final Drives on Okinawa



Arrows locate American drives on Okinawa which have all but cracked the Japanese Shuri defense line with the drive southeast from Naha, the penetration of Shuri fortresses and the thrusts into the enemy's flank on the east.

Russia Takes Emphatic 'No Retreat' Attitude on Veto-Voting Issue at Conference

SAN FRANCISCO, June 2-(AP)—Russia was reported tonight to have taken an emphatic "no retreat" attitude on a veto-voting issue which once again has deadlocked the big five and the United Nations conference.

The stand was dictated straight from Moscow. Said the official British information services:

"Unfortunately, there seems no reason to believe that the movement of the conference along the final phases of its journey will be facilitated thereby."

U. S. Approves Formation of Arab League

NEW YORK, June 2-(AP)—United States approval of the development of the Arab league—dedicated to helping Arab states toward independence—was expressed tonight by William Phillips, special assistant to the secretary of state.

His statement was in a speech prepared for a dinner meeting of the Institute of Arab American Affairs, honoring the visiting regent of Iraq, Prince Abdul Ithah.

It introduced a new element into the tense Levantine situation where the smoke of French-Arab fighting still eddied and French troops had ceased firing only after British forces had been directed to stop further bloodshed.

Unions Oppose Elton Watkins

PORTLAND, Ore., June 2-(AP)—Both the AFL and the CIO today declared opposition to the suggested appointment of Elton Watkins, Portland, as U. S. district attorney.

State democratic officials have recommended him to succeed Carl C. Donagh, whose terms expires July 23.

The CIO declared it had been informed that the choice lies between Watkins and Bruce Spaulding, former Polk county district attorney now practicing law in Salem.

Women's Divisions Have Big Bond Selling Day Saturday

With a big bond rally on the courthouse lawn to stir the noon crowds, the women's divisions of the Seventh War Loan committee had a big bond-selling day Saturday in the downtown district.

Halsey Returns To Action

Yanks Tear Into Nip Forces Left Okinawa Isle

GUAM, Sunday, June 3-(AP)—Peppery Adm. William F. Halsey, just returned to action in the Pacific with his U. S. third fleet, sent carrier planes against potential suicide plane bases of the Japanese homeland on Kyushu island Saturday while the 10th army tore into disintegrating enemy forces on Okinawa.

Today's fleet communique reported carrier planes of Halsey's fleet, operating under Vice Adm. John S. McCain, shot down two enemy planes; destroyed 11 on the ground and damaged 23 more at Miyazaki, Kokubu, Tushima, Kagoshima and Chiran.

Halsey was disclosed yesterday to have gone back into action against the Japanese, boosting his fleet could move anywhere from the north to south pole and even, if need be, into Tokyo bay.

In the Okinawa campaign, now in its closing phases, the 10th army divisions ranged below the collapsed Naha-Yonabaru line Saturday for general gains up to 1000 yards.

The third fleet's assault on enemy suicide plane bases came at a time when Tokyo radio was trumpeting that "huge successes had been scored by such attacks on shipping at Okinawa and that the attacks would be stepped up."

On the east coast side, the seventh infantry division pushed southward in a move aimed at cutting off the Chinen peninsula and reopening the Nakagusuku harbor, once anchorage of the Japanese fleet.

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Hopkins Stays In Moscow to Talk Further

MOSCOW, June 2-(AP)—Harry Hopkins, President Truman's personal representative, delayed his departure for Washington today to take up what a well-informed source said was a "New York" possibly the situation in the Levant.

Soviet willingness to take part in any international discussion to end the Levant controversy was seen in Russia's note to other members of the "big five," urging a speedy settlement of the dispute.

Hopkins, who had made ready to return to the United States for a report to the white house on his four talks with Premier Stalin, postponed his departure for at least another short period.

Four Valley Men Mustered Out in Army's Program

Army officials at Fort Lewis announced Saturday 44 more enlisted men from Oregon and Washington were being honorably discharged under the point system, including Pvt. Tillford P. Bowen and Pvt. Victor G. Zetterberg, of route 2 and star route, respectively, of Silverton; Cpl. Frank Dillman of route 1, Woodburn, and 1/Sgt. Burchill J. Shelton, of 835 N. Adams, McMinville.