

Gaile Names French Cabinet

Gen. Charles De Gaulle presented France with a cabinet of which more than half were members of the resistance forces. The president of the new republic as minister of the interior and the elevation of Bidault from president of the council to foreign minister.

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Strip Mining Will Conserve Labor

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — U.P. — The most extensive "strip pit" mining program in Alabama's history has been devised to offset the acute manpower shortage.

"Strip pit" or surface mining was adopted by engineers because of its relatively small manpower requirement.

Production of strip mine outfits was estimated to run as high as 30 tons per man daily, compared to the average three tons per man daily in underground mines.

Coal layers near the surface are first uncovered and prefaced for mining by removal of the "overburden" with bulldozers and giant steam shovels.

After the earth has been removed, workmen insert dynamite charges and blast the coal loose.

Van Zandt Only Bid On Mt. Baker Timber

PORTLAND, Ore. — U.P. — The Van Zandt Lumber Co., Van Zandt, Wash., was the sole bidder on 8,510,000 feet of timber in the Mt. Baker national forest at a bidding conducted by offices of the forest service here.

The company bid the ceiling price — \$57,154.50 — and recommendation that the bid be accepted will be sent to the forest supervisor in Washington.



Enthusiastic crowds almost cover this British tank as it rolls through Brussels after British forces, in tremendous sweep, liberated the capital city to end Belgium's four years of domination under the heel of Nazi "supermen." British War Office Photo, via Signal Corps radio-telephone.

Civil Music Group Opens Roll Sept. 18

Membership rolls for the newly-formed Eugene Civic Music association will be open only the week of Monday, Sept. 18 to Saturday, Sept. 23, during which time memberships will be available to the public at a nominal fee, it was emphasized here at a meeting of the association's executive committee, headed by G. E. Gaylor, president.

The meeting was held at the association's headquarters in the Osburn hotel, with William Galligan of New York, who is here representing Civic Concert Service, Inc., and the combined management of all the great artists of America.

Galligan has been assigned to Eugene to assist in launching the Eugene Civic Music association, recently formed to assure continuation of great artists' concerts here in lieu of the usual university series. The university found it necessary to withdraw from the active management of a series, but, however, is remaining closely allied with the association program.

"Community acceptance of the elvian plan has been excellent all over the nation wherever introduced, but the enthusiasm of Eugene for this non-profit, cooperative method of presenting great artists is phenomenal," Galligan said.

"The cultural interests of the public here seem to be intense, and our only problem is to be

Dierksen to speak Over KORE Tonight

Congressman Everett Dierksen of Illinois, who was a candidate for the republican presidential nomination, will deliver an address at 7 o'clock this evening over radio station KORE in Eugene, it was announced by the republican national committee.

Disregard Of Truth Charged Against Dewey

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 — U.P. — House majority leader McCormack of Massachusetts has accused Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of "brazen disregard of the truth to get votes" when he charged the democratic administration with failing to plan for demobilization of the armed forces.

McCormack told the house that the republican presidential nominee that everyone has an opportunity to join the Eugene association and attend the concert series here this season," he added.

Headquarters for the association have been established in the lobby of the Osburn hotel, telephone 3480, and a staff will be on hand from now until the end of the membership campaign to answer any questions that may arise, it was announced. The officers explained that membership will entitle the holder to admission to all concerts presented by the association this season, but that this will be the only means of admission, as no single concert tickets will be sold to any of the attractions.

Black Widow Pilots Fight Nazis By Night

By COLLIE SMALL
BLACK WIDOW BASE, France — U.P. — The spookiest job in the air force belongs to the American youths who fly the new P-61 Black Widow night fighters.

These pilots sleep by day and fight by night—and it is no fun up there, shuttling back and forth all night deifying German planes to try to run the gauntlet after dark.

I flew in a patrol with Capt. Tadas Spelis of Hartford, Conn., Black Widow flight commander, and his radio operator, Flight Officer Lefty Eleftherion of Elmira, N. Y.

It was eerie sitting in the upper cockpit as Spelis—outlined against the soft green light of his instrument panel—warned up the engines. Suddenly the jet black P-61 plunged down the runway and pointed its nose for the stars.

We climbed like an arrow through fluffy clouds. Spelis, who the night before had chased a Junkers 188 more than 100 miles before the pilot eluded him, headed toward Germany.

He flew so many minutes in one direction and then turned sharply again on another course. Somewhere in the vast sky other Black Widow fliers were following similar zigzag courses seeking enemy planes.

Constant reminders came over the radio from the ground control station as to our location.

Suddenly the ground control operator called to another Black Widow pilot in our area:

"ABC. There's a plane three miles ahead of you."

"Roger," came the reply.

"ABC. He's now four miles dead ahead. Increase your speed."

"Roger. What altitude please?"

"Twenty three thousand five hundred."

Seconds later came another call from the ground:

"Aircraft is now four miles dead ahead."

After a brief silence the pilot called:

"Contact. Contact. I've got him."

Every listening station on the ground and every Black Widow pilot aloft listened intently. Then pilot ABC came in again, almost regretfully:

"He's a big bird," meaning he had intercepted an allied bomber.

That's the sort of thing that wears the nerves of the Black Widow pilots. They cannot afford to let even a friendly bomber see them. The bomber crews are justified in shooting at anything that looks like a fighter and since the Black Widows definitely are fighters the pilots find discretion the better part of valor.

The rule is: "Don't let anybody see you up there. Sneak up on 'em all."

Clare Luce Delivers Shortest House Speech: 'Clear Everything'

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — Rep. Clare Booth Luce (R-Conn) made what may be the shortest speech on record in the house Tuesday, and easily the shortest of the current rash of political addresses that has broken out in congress.

She asked unanimous consent to speak for 10 seconds, then said:

"Mr. Speaker, clear everything with Sidney."

That was all.

The reference obviously was to a republican charge that President Roosevelt told associates at the Chicago nominating convention to "clear everything" with Sidney Hillman, CIO political action chairman, a charge that has been vigorously denied by democratic national chairman Robert E. Hamgen.

speech, was made in the presence of another North Dakota senator whom he did not name. North Dakota's other senator is republican William Langer, long a bitter foe of Nye in North Dakota politics.

Nye said the offer was made on Sept. 14, 1943, when the disabled veteran, Fay DeWitt of Minot, N. D., was in Washington en route to a national convention of Disabled American War Veterans.

Nye Says Cash Offered As Political Inducement

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12 — U.P. — Sen. Gerald P. Nye (R. N. D.) charged in the senate today that Joseph B. Keenan, former assistant attorney general, offered a disabled veteran of the first World War \$110,000 to run against him for the republican senatorial nomination this year.

The offer, Nye charged in a

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