

# Clackamas County News

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### ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

It has long been believed in many circles that two factors would eventually defeat Hitler. First, the scope of American material aid to Britain and her allies; second, a slowing down of production inside Germany due to lack of certain basic supplies which are vital to the existence of the civilian population as well as to Hitler's gigantic military effort. Now is a good time to examine just what effect those factors are having on the war.

You can find many and various reports on American shipments to England ranging from the wildly optimistic to the darkly pessimistic. A first hand report recently appeared in Raymond Clapper's syndicated column. Mr. Clapper is a forthright and able journalist and lately spent considerable time in England finding out for himself how matters stand. His report is far from encouraging. When it comes to lend-lease deliveries he wrote, "The figures in terms of appropriations, allocations and transfers are large. In terms of deliveries they shrink like a pair of wool socks in the laundry" Food for instance is one of England's principal needs. Yet he stated only about 200,000 tons of lend-lease food, equal to two and a half days English consumption, had arrived when he was there a little more than a month ago.

We are far behind schedule on shipping arms he continues, notably the tanks and bombing planes which represent one of Britain's most important military lacks. To use his own words "So far as the British are concerned ours is still a 'popgun arsenal'."

Not long back Senator Byrd made similar statements and declared that defense effort has been a failure. He backed up that criticism with a mass of statistics. While the accuracy of some of these figures has been denied the President himself admitted that the Senator's gloomy verbal picture of American plane production was "substantially correct."

The fault for the lag in arms shipments can be laid at many doors. Some segments of labor have certainly been as non-cooperative as possible. Some industries also deserve that indictment. There has been too much delay and buck-passing and divided responsibility in Washington. It is becoming apparent that all groups in this country are going to have to undergo much change for the better if the arms drive is to even partially justify the high hopes held for it.

Going on to the second factor, Newsweek recently made a survey of the extent to which the war has strained Nazi economic power. The German people are still living on rations which would seem completely inadequate to heavy-eating Americans. This fall for the first time even potatoes were rationed. The meat allowance is minuscule. This year's European harvest was 25 percent below normal. Even so Germany has big enough food reserves to last a long time.

Germany's vital coal supplies have been buttressed by seizure of the Polish, Belgian and French mines. Coal is Hitler's most important asset, as it is the source of ersatz oil and rubber and is the backbone of his munitions industries. He apparently will not lack an adequate amount although according to Newsweek German production has lately declined due to long hours, inexperienced miners and the general weariness war produces in strictly rationed populations.

The occupation of France has given Germany enough steel to carry on. Also she has taken over enough oil lands to fulfill her military requirements though there is practically none left over for civilian use.

Big German shortage is in the textile field. She has almost no cotton and little wool. Hitler has so far made up for part of this lack by systematically looting the occupied countries of all the textiles his agents could find.

Summing up Germany is the possession of sufficient basic supplies to last for two or three years at least. German technicians have performed wonders in inventing and perfecting workable substitutes for scarce materials. Her most serious shortage is metals, she has little or no copper, tin, lead, nickel or chrome but she has plenty of aluminum now that the great bauxite deposits of France and the Balkans are hers to command. All in all the hope that Hitler will collapse in the foreseeable future because of a material shortage seems to tenuous to be worth holding.

Chemical Costume From Head to Toe is Modern Marvel

A chemical costume from head to toe is now possible as the result of continued scientific development

with textiles reports Miss Lucy Case, extension specialist in clothing and textiles at Oregon state college.

From the chemical vats now come materials that are made into hats, dresses, underclothing, shoes, hose, gloves, purses, perfume jewelry and umbrellas. For the household one can get chemically made table "linen" plates, dishes, brushes of all kinds, sponges, lamp shades, draperies, bedspreads, rugs and chandeliers. Even this is only the beginning of the list of chemical articles which includes everything from fishnets and tennis racquet strings to baseball and basketball suits.

Even more startling are things to come according to the information reaching Miss Lane from the various laboratories. Among these are stockings that can be expected to wear almost a year, rugs that are moth proof, dust proof and spot proof and a straw hat that won't fade or wilt in the rain.

Fortisan, a chemical textile being used successfully in parachutes is said to be the strongest fiber in the world. The entire output is now being used by the government but will be available after this emergency for making the thinnest, sheersat weight synthetic silk articles that can be woven.

These man made chemical marvels are especially popular because they are entirely under the control of the manufacturer points out Miss Lane. Always uniform and standard these spun textiles do not depend on the whim of the silk worm as is the case with pure silk.

At the same time there apparently will always be a place for the natural fibers as is indicated by the extreme demand for wool to meet the present military and civilian needs.

### LET FREEDOM RING

"Freedom of the press" like the words liberty and democracy have been heard so often by generations of Americans that they have lost a lot of their fire. We in America don't know anything but freedom of the press, liberty and democracy. We've had them for generations.

So when the newspapers of the U. S. who are now celebrating National Newspaper week emblazon these high sounding words across their pages many readers are apt to yawn over them and pass on to the funnies.

It's not that Americans do not appreciate their freedoms. They appreciate them more each day as they read about the wiping out of freedom in all other parts of the world. But at the same time it's hard for anyone to become emotionally aroused over something he has never been without.

For comparison imagine the excitement there would be in Germany if the newspapers came out with the headlines announcing "Freedom of the press". It would cause cheering in the streets, expressions of fear on the face of the people would turn to joy and there would be nation wide celebrations.

To all people freedom is a precious thing. But it is the people who are suddenly given freedom after years of bondage who feel the full force of its meaning.

If our freedom of the press were suddenly extinguished democracy and all of the other freedoms it stands for would immediately disappear. We would be left in the dark as to what our government was doing, what was happening in foreign countries and what fate had in store for us. We would be guided in our thinking by rumors and lies instead of facts. We would be guided in our thinking by rumors and lies instead of facts, us to do. We would have no appeal to public opinion.

It isn't a pleasant picture but is the picture of most countries in the world today. We don't expect it to happen here. But it can happen here if our people continue to take our freedoms for granted. The way we can prevent it is to arm ourselves mentally against any such eventuality, to be ready when any move is made, within or without our country, to curb the free press to "shoot first."

### BOB MULVEY NAMED OFFICER OF STATE REPUBLICAN CLUB

Robert Mulvey deputy district attorney and president of the Clackamas county republican club has been elected vice president of the Oregon state republican club for the first congressional district. This honor was conferred upon him at the state convention held at Roseburg last weekend.

He succeeds Dr. C. K. Chapman of Oregon City who was elected treasurer of the state club.

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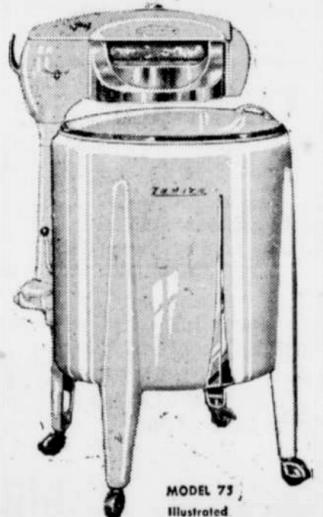
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