

Washington, D. C. RAILROAD TEST

For National Defense chiefs, June holds a special significance. It will indicate whether government operation of railroads may be necessary. In June the nation's railroads will

meet their first crucial test of whether they are adequately equipped to handle the enormous increase in freight resulting from the defense program.

When the wheat harvest starts in the Texas Panhandle and continues north, the carriers will be on the spot to prove their determined contention that there is no shortage of freight cars, and that they can cope with the great demands of the defense program without the government taking them over as in the

Railroad moguls are fully aware that they face a decisive showdown, and they are making tremendous efforts to meet it.

been mobilized to handle the Texas ability to turn completely around incrop and a strict rule has been laid side a suit of clothes is paramount. down that they must be kept rolling. Cars will not be allowed to be used but they will be cut much larger, for storage purposes. If a ship- tailors having awakened to the fact ment can't be unloaded without de- a man has to carry so many things lay, cars will not be released.

Cars will be peremptorally recalled if shippers don't load. Cir-And the railroads themselves are desk. now distributing the materials and equipment they will need months hence, so that the maximum numpeak season next autumn. This matches and an old letter or two, freight cars.

Mechanied Cavalry.

It took a war in Europe to do it, but the U. S. army is now doing a whirlwind job of replacing cavalry with tanks and armored cars. Even Secretary of War Stimson's aide, Col. Eugene Regnier, has gone in for mechanization.

Commenting whimsically on this the other day, Secretary Stimson said: "After riding horses all his life, Gene is now commanding the first reconnaissance battalion of the briefs, instructions on how to read First Cavalry division. He rides in tax forms and analyses of new laws, a bantam scout car and has ar- ordinances and regulations. In fact, mored cars and tanks under his the so-called "business suit" to command. I tell him this is strange be adequate today must have a loadfor a man who has sworn that ing capacity up to two tons, and horses are the only thing in life. there should be deep inside pockets But he says it takes the brains of for carrying records of conferences a good cavalryman to handle a attended to date and conferences mechanized unit."

Note-Colonel Regnier deserted his swivel-chair job in Washington for El Paso, Texas, where Gen. Innes P. Swift commands one of the most active army posts in the country.

Conscientious Objectors. Announcements that 1,100 conscientious objectors will report to nonmilitary training camps in the next few weeks are a lot of hooey. Real fact is that only 201 draft registrants have even been classed as genuine

religious objectors.

Out of the 6,000,000 questionnaires received from draft eligibles, less than 2,500 sought exemption on the ground of religious scruples. Of this number, 201 have been OK'd so far. They will train in eight camps as follows:

Fifty at Camp Patapsco, Elkridge, Md.; 14 at Grottoes, Va.; 12 at Lagro, Ind.; 32 at San Dimes, desire to seem under 21 is practical-Calif.; 10 at Richmond, Ind.; 40 at Marietta, Ohio; 32 at Colorado Springs, Colo.; 10 at Cooperstown, N. Y.

While operated by the government, the camps are financed by private funds, supplied chiefly by the Quakers, Mennonites, and United Brethren. In some instances the men pay their own costs, at the rate of \$35 a month.

Australian Opinion on War

Prime Minister Menzies of Australia held some very important conversations with high Washington officials during his recent visit. In these talks he expressed every confidence that Britain would win the war, but he was hard-boiled and realistic regarding the time necessary for a victory.

Coming from Australia, which has a detached and unbiased view of the situation, his opinion is important.

"During 1941," he said, "all of Britain's effort must be concentrated on defense.

"During 1942 we can really begin to concentrate our efforts on build-

ing up a real war machine. "And in 1943-with America's help -we can take the offensive, and we

will win the war."

MERRY-GO-ROUND

The appointment of ex-Senator Sherman Minton of Indiana to the U. S. court of appeals makes the third judicial reward for a member of the famous senate lobby investigating committee, whose sensational exposes of utility lobbying led to the holding company law. Hugo Black of Alabama, chairman, is a Supreme court justice, and Lewis Schwellenbach is a federal district judge in Washington.



MEN'S STYLES

While there will be no change of basic patents involved in men's clothing styles for 1941, and it will still be impossible to get in and out of this year's clothes the same as in 1940, this department's look-see into the situation has convinced it that there will be new touches to pants, coats and vests. If you expect to remain in civilian clothes, bend an ear:

Colors will switch sharply from the loud tendencies of previous springs. This is due largely to the fact that, with the draft on, no male wants to be more conspicuous than necessary. Even males beyond the selective service age will prefer the duller hues on the ground there is no sense being an oriole during a bird hunt.

Coats (jackets) and trousers (pants) will be roomier. There is so much going on and so much to be Twenty-five thousand cars have seen in these critical days that the Pockets will be inadequate as usual, around on him these days that a well designed suit of clothes must combine some features of a satchel, cuitous routing is being eliminated. filing cabinet and old-fashioned

There was a time when pockets were expected to contain little exber of cars will be available in the cept loose change, seat stubs, alone is expected to release 20,000 but with the changes in the social system, the war, et cetera, there must be ample pocket room for federal summonses, government no tices, correspondence with various Washington commissions, lawyers'



impending.

In addition, a business suit should have room for at least a bottle of spirits of ammonia, a digest of latest congressional action, divers bulletins from the labor front and the usual vitamin tablets. (This is exclusive of room for old mutuel tickets, data on mud horses, 11 or 12 keys which fit nothing whatever, chewing gum, odd crumbs and those letters you were supposed to mail a week ago Tuesday.)

Designers of clothes for the well distressed man have, however, been alert to the situation, and some of the best ones have put zippers on the entire lining of a business suit so it can be opened, filled and closed again, like de luxe golf bags.

PANTS will be longer than ever, there being no demand at all for short pants in a season when the ly nil.

BUTTONS: Smart tailors will feature bright buttons on men's clothes. possibly adding a few bells, reflecting the conviction that anything that will give a man a cheerier appearance should be provided.

HATS, SHOES, ETC .- There will be little change in men's hats, but it is a year when a mug is going to feel particularly silly going round with a gay band and a feather.

like shoes and will permit males to keep their toes to themselves. Should they follow the ladies open-deck shoe styles it would be but a step from that, they feel, to wearing hats with their heads out and clothes with their bodies out.

Men's shoes will

continue to look

SUSPENDERS, jumpers, overalls It looks like a good year for 'em.

THE SEASON'S CALL

Now that the ice has left the lakes And leaves sprout on the limbs, It's time to shake the girl who skates And grab the girl who swims. -Gridley Adams.

RURAL APPEAL

Ad men with gusto invite you to fight With various weapons the crafty ter-'Tis now the homeowner hears this

song and dance: The chances are, kid, you have

ants in your manse!" -John L. Stoutenburgh.

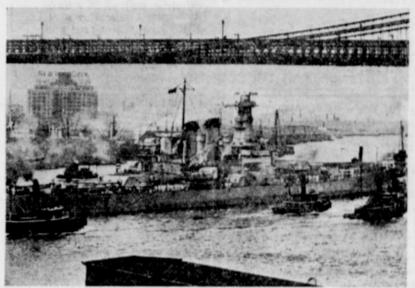
Judging from the news that has been coming in throughout this war from all areas, one of the big problems when peace comes will be the transportation of captured generals.

President Makes Momentous Radio Address



Soundphoto showing President Roosevelt as he delivered his momentous "fireside chat" to the nation from the East room of the White House. He declared the existence of "an unlimited national emergency." His listeners in the White House were cabinet members, diplomats of the Americas and other democracles and their families.

U. S. Giant of Deep Leaves New York



View of the 35,000-ton superdreadnaught "North Carolina," mightiest the warships in the United States navy, pictured as she slipped down the East river, beneath the Brooklyn bridge, bound for the open sea. Her destination was veiled in mystery. The ship is able to fire a broadside of 20,000 pounds for 20 miles.

Australian Envoy



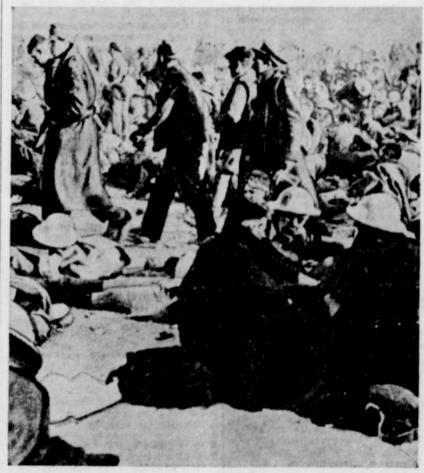
Nelson T. Johnson, retiring American ambassador to the Chinese Nationalist government, and new minister to Australia, shown on arrival in San Francisco. He left at once for a conference with the President before leaving

Bridges on Stand



Harry Bridges, shown as he took the stand in his own defense, in San Francisco, to escape deportation on charges of alleged communistic affiliations.

British Captives of Nazis in Africa



This picture, taken somewhere in Africa, shows a group of British soldiers fresh from the fighting lines of the see-saw battle of the dark continent. They are shown in the prison camp to which they were removed after they were captured by the successful Nazi and Italian forces campaigning in Africa.

Ford Employees in Detroit Vote C. I. O.



Using secret ballets, more than 83,000 workers of the Ford Motor company in the Detroit area voted overwhelmingly in favor of the U. A. W.-C. I. O. to do their collective bargaining with Ford for them. Photo shows workers at the Ford River Rouge plant being checked in by Police Captain Don Leonard as the balloting began.

Testifies



Mary Spargo, before Dies committee in Washington, testifies that 150 government employees attended an American peace mobilization in New York as official delegates. She said these employees have been supporting the Communistic APM.

Economic Advisor



Isadore Lubin, commissioner of labor statistics, who has been called in by President Roosevelt as his economic advisor on the \$7,000,000,-000 lend-lease program.

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Birds in the War

Despite violent disturbance and severe damage to their nesting places, the pigeons of St. Paul's cathedral and Trafalgar square in London seem more numerous than ever, while the gulls of the Thames embankment, the starlings that twitter under the eaves of city churches, and the Cockney sparrows have not deserted their haunts. Any evacuation that occurred in the fall was due to habit and not to fear. Even the migratory birds returned in the spring to their previous homes, bombs or no bombs.



As "unkindness has no remedy at law," let its avoidance be with you a point of honor.-Hosea



Swaying Mind

When the mind is in a state of uncertainty, the smallest impulse directs it to either side.-Terence.

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