

WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

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NEW YORK—Dr. Ales Hrdlicka, the anthropologist, once had a plan to measure the skulls of all congressmen, in his studies of head-size and contour in their relation to intelligence. The congressmen didn't like the idea and nothing came of it.

Studying skills, rather than skulls, Dr. Leonard Carmichael, president of Tufts college, gets better co-operation. In August, 1940, the government put him at the head of a committee of savants to work up a national brain index. They have compiled an index of several hundred thousand good brains.

This committee was known as the National Roster of Scientific and Specialized Personnel, and now there has been added to it a special committee on wartime requirements for specialized personnel, with Dr. Carmichael as chairman. The obvious function of the committee is to find good brains and recruit them.

Since the first World war, the classical Binet-Simon intelligence quotient has gained by sundry repairs and betterments. The inquiry now covers not only the question of whether we know much of anything but whether we have any sense.

In 1920, we saw an experiment in a progressive school in San Francisco which now seems pertinent to what Dr. Carmichael and his committee are trying to do. They picked a group of high I.Q. boys, of superior heredity and cultural background, and then they picked some less favored lads, of low I.Q. from the North Beach foreign section. They gave each child a certain amount of money, told him to buy some thing, start trading and report gains or losses in two months. When the bell rang, most of the silk-stocking lads had lost their shirts and the North Beach mob had fanned its holdings up to sizeable juvenile fortunes.

From this, the pedagogs figured something like survival intelligence as distinguished from merely superimposed and possibly non-convertible cultural intelligence. It is unquestionably survival intelligence that Dr. Carmichael and his brain-indexers are looking for, as their study has to do with particularized, specialized, useful, workable skills.

Dr. Carmichael, one of the most distinguished of modern psychologists, was born in Philadelphia in 1898, and was educated at Tufts and Harvard, and taught at Princeton and Brown before becoming president of Tufts in 1938.

DOWN near Windy Gap, on the edge of Death Valley, we knew a big, dead-pan cow-puncher who doubled in dancing and fighting, and who could dance down or smack down anybody in those parts. Elsewhere, we have found this unique blend of talents only in Manuel Quezon, recently inducted into his second term as president of the Philippines.

President Quezon Blends Dancing, Politics Perfectly

Sr. Quezon negotiated for Philippine independence in the New York studio of Arthur Murray, the dancing master. Dancing is his art, his recreation and his driving passion. Four hours a day went to dancing when he was cutting the islands adrift—with second thoughts later. The first dancing shift was from 10 o'clock until noon. The hours from one to three went to Philippine independence, and then the dancing picked up from three to five.

The bright-eyed, coffee-colored little man with the dazzling smile so captivated Woodrow Wilson that the President put a declaration for Philippine independence slap-bang into the Democratic platform. But in the Hawes-Cutting bill, enacted in 1933, Senor Quezon found a one-way tariff squeeze, unsatisfactory guarantees as to the attitude of Pacific powers, and other defects, and started dancing and negotiating his way around these obstacles.

He is said to be just about the smartest politician in the business. He is university trained. His father was a Filipino and his mother half Spanish. He smokes cigarettes in an endless chain, dancing or sitting still, gesticulates fluently and turns the sharp spotlight of a keen, agile, realistic mind on matter in hand. He was wounded in the Philippine war for independence and for years strung with the jungle dethards, somewhat embarrassed in his later career by the rampant and bellicose Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo, President Quezon is 59.

The Washington MERRY-GO-ROUND

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SCRAP IRON

It may be that those who let millions of tons of scrap iron go to Japan are not too anxious to advertise our present dearth of scrap, but the real fact is that it is so serious as to cause the shutdown of nine blast furnaces in Youngstown, Ohio, alone.

To meet the shortage, the OPM has been conducting an experimental campaign to collect scrap iron in Erie, Pa., and is launching other campaigns in Boston, Pittsburgh, Bridgeport and Akron. However, the campaign is going very slowly. Chief trouble is that collections are made through the normal scrap iron trade.

Therefore, it looks as if the American public might have to take things in hand. A survey of Butler county, Ohio, shows that every farmer has an average of about 50 pounds of usable scrap iron and rubber rusting or rotting behind his barn. On this basis, the OPM estimates that it should be possible to collect 1,500,000 tons of scrap from American farmers.

Not many people realize the importance which scrap plays in the iron and steel industry. Ordinarily, steel is made 50 per cent from ore and 50 per cent from scrap iron. But today ordinary supplies of scrap iron are diminished, not only by previous sales to Japan but by the fact that war industries supply no scrap. Many tanks, guns, and military motor trucks are shipped off to Egypt, Malaya or Russia. They never come back. Ordinarily, industry supplies its own scrap iron from junked automobiles, etc. But now there will be fewer automobiles to junk.

So the scrap iron problem is one which will require every farmer and householder to look around behind his barn or in his basement to see what he can spare for war industries.

You can check off lead as the next strategic material to be put under interdiction for civilian use. OPM's banning order will be issued shortly. That will mean the end of lead foil and numerous other items of normal everyday use. One possible exception may be lead for automobile batteries, but even that will be under severe restrictions.

Reason for the ban is inadequacy of domestic supply to meet the increasing need for bullets. War production tables call for a lead consumption of 60,000 tons monthly by June; 100,000 tons monthly by next January. For military reasons, figures on U. S. supply can not be disclosed, but it is below what is needed even with production increases now under way plus imports from Canada, Mexico and other foreign sources. So civilian use will be restricted for the duration.

WLW ICELAND

The largest standard-wave broadcasting apparatus in the U.S.A.—owned by WLW Cincinnati—may be set up in Iceland to drown out Hitler's rasping broadcasts to the German people.

For many years WLW operated a 500,000 watt station in Cincinnati, but was forced by the Federal Communications commission to reduce to 50,000 watts, which is the maximum for ordinary commercial stations in the U.S.A. Therefore, WLW has now offered its big 500,000 watt set to the government to be established in Iceland. Since Hitler's stations are nowhere near as strong as 500,000 watts, WLW's beams from Iceland could drown out his voice every time he went on the air.

Furthermore, WLW Iceland would not operate on short wave, which the German people are not permitted to hear. It would operate on a standard broadcasting beam and would come in over the ordinary German radio. By turning a button in the station in Iceland, the wavelength could be changed to cut in on any German program.

There is one catch to the proposal, however. WLW Cincinnati wants to make a deal with the government whereby it would be permitted to set up another 500,000 watt station in the United States in return for sending its equipment to Iceland.

CAPITAL CHAFF

Secretary of War Stimson has been shaking up some of his generals, and has put Gen. Raymond Lee temporarily in charge of military intelligence. Lee was former U. S. military attache in London and an A-1 officer. Army people hope he stays in charge of the intelligence service.

To make more office space in Washington, the Farm Credit administration is being moved to Chicago.

Through its nation-wide co-ops, Harry Slattery's Rural Electrification administration has erected more than 370,000 miles of transmission lines. This was more than the 15 largest utility holding companies in the country combined. Over 1,250,000 farmers are benefiting from cheap electricity as a result of the REA system.

Fifty per cent of our vitamin A is being sent to England. This, together with the shortage of fish livers and oils from Norway and Japan, is causing a shortage of vitamins in the U.S.A.

Off to Meet Japs in Malayan Jungle



Indian troops of the British imperial forces are pictured on trucks, off to meet the Japs who were driving through the dripping jungles of Malaya in an effort to outflank the vital fortress of Singapore. These Indians are great fighters, and are well versed in the methods of jungle warfare.

U. S. Sub Sinks Jap Luxury Liner



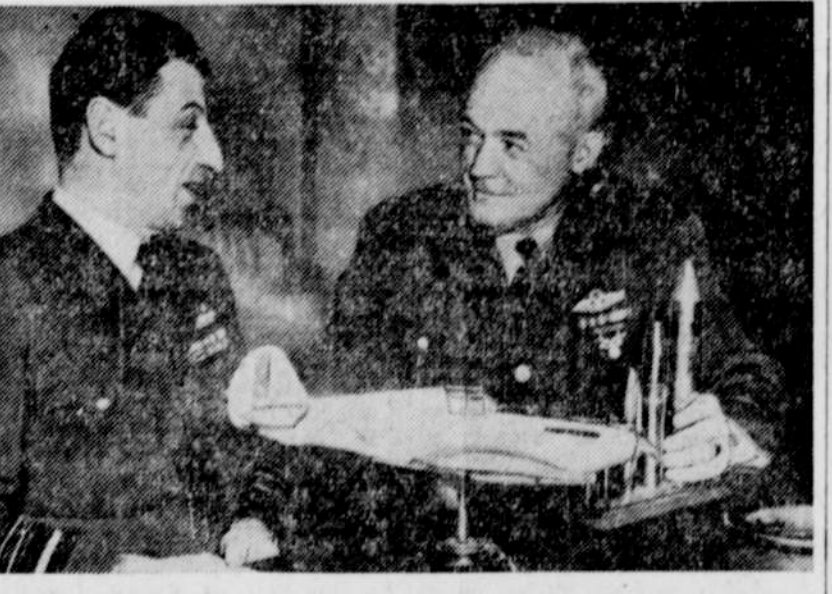
The Yawata Maru, 17,000-ton Jap liner, which may be the ship which was sunk by a U. S. submarine in the Far East. The vessel was a fast luxury liner, owned and operated by the NYK lines, and probably converted into an aircraft carrier.

Where Japs Got Hot Reception



A view of the yard at the naval station at Olongapo, Philippine Islands, 60 miles from Manila on the Bataan peninsula, where Japanese army forces in a large-scale offensive met with a deadly hail of fire from General MacArthur's embattled defenders. Olongapo is an important submarine base equipped with floating docks.

Plan Allied Air Moves Against Axis



Air chief marshal Sir Charles Portal (left), chief of the air staff of the Royal Air force, and Lieut. Gen. Henry H. Arnold, chief of the United States air forces, are shown during their meeting in General Arnold's office at Washington, D. C. They discussed aerial details of the grand allied strategy.

Rescued From Tanker



This soundphoto shows the rescued crew of the Panamanian tanker, Norness, which was torpedoed by a submarine off the eastern tip of Long Island. Photo was made upon their safe arrival on land. The Norness' master said the submarine stayed on the surface while firing three torpedoes at regular intervals.

Production Czar



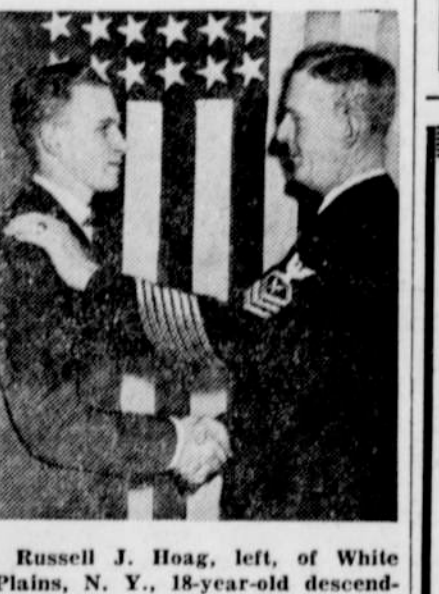
Donald Marr Nelson, who has been given supreme authority over all U. S. war procurement and production as head of newly created war production board. Nelson is 53 years old.

Speaks for Dealers



L. Clare Cargile, president of the National Automobile association, who told members of the senate committee on small business that the government must take prompt steps or 44,000 auto dealers and their half million employees face immediate disaster.

'Runs in Family'



Russell J. Hoag, left, of White Plains, N. Y., 18-year-old descendant of Isaac Hull, American naval hero, is welcomed by his father, Chief Yeoman James R. Hoag, after joining the navy. The elder Hoag has seen 30 years of service.

Apparently Little Tommy Was a Movie Enthusiast

The teacher was trying to get the pupils to understand the dreadful business of conjugating verbs. "When I say 'I have, you have, he has,'" she explained, "I am conjugating the verb 'to have.' I want all of you to understand. Do you?"

"Very good. Now listen carefully. 'I love, you love, he loves.' What is that?"

There was a moment of silence, and then up shot little Tommy's hand.

"Please miss," he said, "it's one of them triangles when someone gets shot!"

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