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NEW BLITZKRIEG ROLLS TOWARD PARIS



Washington, D. C., June 5.—What the American people have not been told officially is that the monumental and costly defense program is not intended for the United States principally, but for defense of Central and South America under the century-old Monroe doctrine. That is the milk in the coconut.

While it is not a military secret the war strategists, however, are not discussing it publicly, the fact is that trouble is expected to strike in the Latin Americas before North America is called on to defend itself. Under the Monroe doctrine, however, the United States is pledged to defend any of the nations in the western hemisphere against foreign attack. In reality the federal government is preparing for "international" rather than "national" defense.

UNDER modern conditions of warfare, with bombers and fighting planes, officers of the high command recognize that the Latin Americas are wide open to attack. They believe that the Latin republic will be the next theater of war if Herr Hitler smashes the English and French empires. In Uncle Sam's role of big brother, it is his duty to intervene.

Off the record army officers explain the reasons for their conviction. Properly vouched for in the Army & Navy club, a civilian can learn much that will appear in the press in subsequent months. Within the club walls where army and naval officers meet and talk shop, what Uncle Sam must do in the Latin Americas is the major topic.

CLUES have been given pointing to what is expected. Congress has authorized any Latin republic to purchase warships, planes, bombers and other munitions from the United States at cost. If they want a fleet, the navy department

Two Million Engaged In Colossal Struggle Along 125-Mile Front

Paris, June 5.—(AP)—French military authorities claimed tonight they had sprung a trap on the Germans, catching their tanks in their newly devised system. This new defense system, along the Somme, was not described in detail.

By the Associated Press Gen. Maxime Weygand's French polus were reported "holding solidly" late today in a titanic battle of 2,000,000 men raging along the 125-mile Somme-Aisne front as Hitler launched a violent blitzkrieg into the heart of France.

By contrast, authorized German sources in Berlin asserted that the Nazi army's right wing was sweeping forward "on the broadest front"—heading south and west along the English channel coast toward Le Havre and Rouen.

Separation Is Aim Le Havre, the vital link between France and England, was bombed by German planes in an apparent "softening up" attack yesterday. Rouen is about 25 miles inland from Le Havre on the Seine.

The German thrust was aimed at separating France from England. As the struggle surged to new heights of man-against-man ferocity, London reported that German "armored vehicles" probably swift-striking motor-cyclists vanguards—had reached both sides of Amiens.

This would indicate a typical blitzkrieg tactic of speeding around strongly-fortified cities without attempting to storm or capture them.

Usually, such German units are not supported by infantry. Berlin reported that Nazi dive-bombing stuka planes had wrought "great destruction" and an "extremely demoralizing effect" in attacks on French tanks south of Abbeville, on the Somme front.

Paris, Seine Objectives Many French tanks were reported "completely disabled." Paris and the lower Seine river were the apparent objectives, seemingly in a mighty smash to turn the flank of the main Maginot line.

German dive-bombers and heavy artillery blasted at French

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ASHLAND COUNCIL FOR COAST DAYLIGHT TIME

Ashland, June 5.—(AP)—The Ashland city council adopted a resolution Tuesday favoring coast-wise practice of summer daylight saving time. Mayor T. S. Wiley and two councilmen expressed opposition.

England Finds Inspiration In Challenge by Churchill

By the Associated Press London, June 5.—The British public, leaving any recriminations over the "colossal military disaster" of Flanders to secret parliament sessions, found new inspiration today in Prime Minister Churchill's challenge for a finish fight with Germany—"alone if necessary"—and in the rescue of the B. E. F. from France.

Lord Beaverbrook, minister for aircraft production, issued an urgent appeal for "the fullest output this week and next."

"The work you do this week fortifies and strengthens the front of battle next week," said Lord Beaverbrook. Sir Victor Warrender, admiralty financial secretary, told commons that nine British hospital ships have been bombed, shelled or machine gunned by Germans, despite their unmistakable markings.

The hospital ship Atlantis was bombed five times in Norwegian waters, Sir Victor said. Heavy explosions from the direction of the French coast were heard by residents on the south coast shores of England early in the day.

A private meeting of a number of laborite members of parliament was regarded in some political circles as possibly paving the way for the eclipse of Neville Chamberlain as a force in British politics.

SEEK NEW INCOME TO DEFRAY COSTS OF ARMING NATION

Washington, June 5.—(AP)—A house subcommittee, working out methods of raising about \$1,000,000,000 in defense funds annually, voted tentatively today in favor of lowering individual income tax exemptions from \$2,500 to \$2,000 for married persons, and from \$1,000 to \$800 for single persons.

Rep. Cooper (D-Tenn.), subcommittee chairman, estimated that lowering these exemptions would add 2,050,000 persons to the list of taxpayers and increase federal revenue yield by \$75,000,000 a year on the basis of present tax rates.

Washington, June 5.—(AP)—The house ways and means committee, bent on raising money for growing defense costs, directed a 10-man subcommittee today to find a way to add at least \$200,000,000 to the \$656,000,000 in the pending defense tax bill.

The principal proposal laid before the subcommittee was a broadening of the income tax base to reduce individual income tax exemptions from \$2,500 to \$1,800 for heads of families and from \$1,000 to \$800 for single individuals.

Chairman Doughton (D-NC) estimated the base broadening plan would raise \$80,000,000. With such a broadening, and an increase in levies on the middle and lower income brackets, as has been suggested, would raise a sum estimated, unofficially at upwards of \$400,000,000.

Doughton said that whatever funds were derived from the taxes would be used to retire a \$4,000,000,000 federal debt limit increase already approved by the committee. Any excess over the amount needed to retire this debt would go into the general fund of the treasury, he said.

Durham, N. C., June 5.—(AP)—Soundest sleeper of the year is Howard Medlin. He slept on peacefully while thieves stole a large cedar chest from his bedroom.

Succumbs



A. S. Bliton.

A. S. BLITON, EARLY PUBLISHER HERE, TAKEN BY DEATH

A. S. Bliton, prominent resident of Medford since 1893, died at his home, 726 West Fourth street, this morning at 8:35 after six weeks illness, during which time he underwent two operations.

Mr. Bliton, who would have been 61 years of age next Sunday, was born on June 9, 1859 in Clyde, N. Y. In January, 1893, after moving to Medford, he established the Medford Mail, a weekly paper, which later became a daily. In 1909, it was purchased by the Medford Tribune, then published by George Putnam, and became what is now the Medford Mail Tribune.

Before coming to Medford, Mr. Bliton published newspapers at Wheatland, N. D., and for a year and a half at Florence, Ore. In his busy and colorful career, Mr. Bliton also occupied federal positions. He was postmaster at Wheatland, and in his early Medford days was United States commissioner at a time when a large volume of timber business passed through the local office.

On July 1, 1937, Mr. Bliton retired from the California Oregon Power company after 20 years service, on a monthly pension as a reward for long and loyal labor with the concern.

Following his retirement from Copco, Mr. Bliton busied himself

SON IS BORN TO JOHN ROOSEVELTS

Boston, June 5.—(AP)—President Roosevelt became a grandfather again today when a seven-pound, nine ounce son was born to Mrs. Anne (Clark) Roosevelt, wife of John, his youngest son. Dr. Charles G. Sheedy, who delivered the child at the Richardson House, said both mother and infant were in excellent health. Mrs. Roosevelt's mother, Mrs. Lloyd Witse, the former Mrs. F. Haven Clark, and young Roosevelt were at the hospital when the child was born. The young father announced the baby would be named Haven, after the mother's late father.

PRO-AMERICA OPPOSES POWER TO CALL GUARD

Portland, June 5.—(AP)—Opposition to presidential authority over the national guard and reserve units, except after declaration of war, was voiced yesterday by Oregon chapters of Pro-America, Republican women's organization.

Portland, June 5.—(AP)—Sale of a minimum of 1500 kilowatts of Bonneville power for distribution over Pacific Power and Light company lines to Clatsop county was announced today by Paul J. Raver, Bonneville administrator

CITY BOOKS OKEH AUDITORS INFORM COUNCIL MEETING

Woodford Approved As City Judge During Vacation Absence of Allen Curry

"All monies have been properly accounted for," Leland J. Knox and G. Q. D'Albini public accountants, stated in an audit report submitted to the city council at its regular semi-monthly meeting last night. The audit covered city finances for the calendar year 1939.

"The city financial records are not particularly well organized but they are efficiently maintained with all ordinary detail readily available," he reported stated.

N.Y.A. Authorized. The council authorized the city superintendent to apply for a national youth administration project at Lake of the Woods similar to one, involving recreational improvements, carried out last year.

The council concurred in the recommendations of Mayor C. C. Furnas that Ralph Woodford, city employee, serve as city judge in the absence of Allen D. Curry on vacation.

Councilman J. Frank Reinhart was absent.

LARGER REGULAR ARMY IS PROPOSED TO AVOID NATIONAL GUARD CALL

Washington, June 5.—(AP)—General George C. Marshall proposed today that the regular army be enlarged to 400,000 men, an increase which he said he hoped would avoid any necessity of calling the national guard into active service.

The chief of staff told reporters that plans were complete for organizing 335,000 men of a possible augmented army into 12 divisions, two of which would be fully armored, mechanized divisions such as have played a spectacular role in the European war.

Of the remaining troops, many would be assigned to the air corps, Marshall said. Pending defense legislation calls for expanding the regular army only by about 50,000 men to the full peace limit of 280,000.

General Marshall said that "by augmenting the regular army we can strengthen our forces more quickly than by calling on the national guard."

QUEEN OF ROSE SHOW GETS CROWN TONIGHT

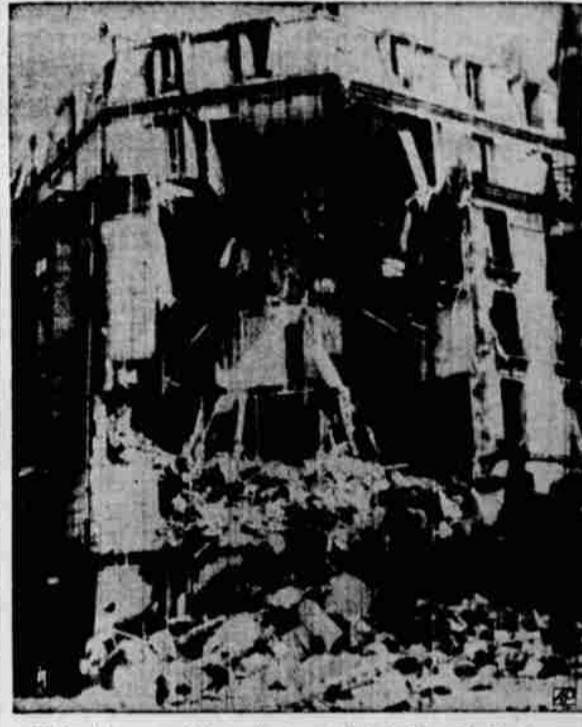
Portland, June 5.—(AP)—Portland entered the fanciful realm of Rosaria today and prepared for the coronation of Queen Virginia Rothenberg, Jefferson high school, at Multnomah Civic stadium tonight. Favorable spring weather brought blooms to a peak for the annual rose show and the floral parade Friday. The junior rose festival parade will be Saturday.

GRANTS PASS RADIO GETS POWER BOOST

Washington, June 5.—(AP)—The federal communications commission has authorized the Western Radio corporation to construct a station at The Dalles, Ore., to operate on 1200 kilocycles, with night power of 100 watts and day power of 150 watts.

Other rulings by the commission included: Authorized KUIN, Grants Pass, Ore., to increase power from 100 to 250 watts

Apartment Hit by Bombs



This picture, sent by radio from Paris to New York, shows an apartment building wrecked by the German bombs which killed some 45 persons and wounded many. Location of this building was not given.

War-Eager Italian Students Balked in Consulate March

Rome, June 5.—(AP)—Fascist students attempted to organize new anti-allied demonstrations today as Italy marked time on the edge of war but were disbanded by police in the vicinity of the British consulate.

The youths formed a procession in the downtown streets. After they were dispersed, armed troops were stationed at doorways near the consulate, and the guards at the French and British embassies were reinforced.

An Athens dispatch to the Messaggero reported that Turkey, despite her denials, had sought permission to disembark troops on the Greek islands in the Aegean sea. The troops were said to be already concentrated and ready to embark while allied war vessels were cruising among the islands.

The papers said that the Greek government had rejected the request, but that it had been urgently renewed.

ROUNDUP QUEEN'S JAW FRACTURED

Pendleton, Ore., June 5.—(AP) The queen of Pendleton's 1940 roundup is swathed in bandages and in a hospital today but she'll be back in the saddle for the big show late this summer. The queen, Marian Hughes, suffered fracture of both sides the lower jaw in a crash against a round-up gate. Her horse, Patsy, plunged forward while being led and knocked the top pole flying.

Physicians predicted the queen's complete recovery in six weeks.

CROSSED CABLES CAUSED CRACKUP

Santa Monica, Cal., June 5.—(AP)—The Douglas Aircraft Co. said today that crossed cables in the control cabin caused its DC-5 transport plane to crash last Saturday. The four men testing the plane were killed.

The statement said that despite a careful and minute examination no explanation for the crossed cables could be found.

21 KILLED IN MAY TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Salem, June 5.—(AP)—Twenty-one persons were killed in traffic accidents in Oregon during May, compared with 24 during May, 1939, the secretary of state's office reported today.

TRANSIENT HELD FOR ROBBERY OF TAXICAB DRIVER

Lloyd Harlan Miller Charged With Assault and Robbery—South Highway Scene

Lloyd Harlan Miller, 21, who gave his home as Oakland, Cal., and said he spent five months in the U. S. army at San Pedro, Cal., was being held in the county jail today under \$2,500 bail on a charge of assault and robbery while armed with a dangerous weapon. Miller, arranged in justice of the peace court this morning, waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the grand jury.

Miller, according to state police, assaulted and robbed Amper A. Young, of 220 Talent court, Medford, a driver for the local Yellow Taxicab company. The alleged assault and robbery occurred about 10:30 last night on the Valley View road just south of the Chateau and about 300 feet off the Pacific highway. Taxi Hired Here

Police said they learned that Miller hired the taxi here and told Young to drive to Ashland. At the intersection of Valley View road and the Pacific highway, Miller requested the cab driver to turn off and drive him to his "aunt's" house, where he said he would spend the night, police stated.

A short distance from the Pacific highway Miller allegedly pulled a gun from his pocket and commanded Young to stop the vehicle, police explained, whereupon Young resisted and a battle ensued during which Miller beat the taxi driver over the head with the butt of his gun, overpowered him and robbed him of \$2.75.

Young, police said, finally got out of the cab and made his way back to the highway, where he was picked up and brought to Community hospital here and three stitches taken in his scalp. He was not seriously injured.

Machine Wrecked Meanwhile, Miller took the taxicab and wrecked it on the old Pacific highway which runs in back of the Chateau and past Jackson Hot Springs, police stated.

A short time later Steve Zapka of Ashland, traveling south on the Pacific highway,

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BIG CHAINS SHOW INCREASE IN MAY

Chicago, June 5.—(AP)—Sears Roebuck and company today reported May sales totaled \$63,978,370, an increase of \$6,364,902, or 10.7 per cent over the \$59,613,468 reported in May, 1939.

New York, June 5.—(AP)—F. W. Woolworth Co. today reported may sales increased to \$26,067,164 from \$24,725,427 in May last year, a gain of 5.4 per cent.

BASEBALL

American R. H. E. Chicago 5 9 2 New York 7 12 0 Lee and Tresh; Pearson, Murphy and Dickey.

Score (14 innings): R. H. E. St. Louis 4 12 1 Boston 3 13 3 Kramer, Bob Harris and Swift; Harris, Bagby and Desautels, Peacock.

Score: R. H. E. Cleveland 1 4 1 Washington 6 10 0 Dobson, Naymick and Hemaley; Masterson and Early.

National R. H. E. Philadelphia 2 9 1 Chicago 3 8 1 Mulcahy and Atwood; French and Collins.

REFUND ASKED OF SPIRITUAL GUIDE

Portland, June 5.—(AP)—Nettie Brown not only lost her \$450-per-month "spiritual" protegee yesterday, but ran into a \$21,430 circuit court suit as well.

Circuit Judge Robert Tucker appointed Lamar Tooze to watch over the person and estate of Maude Cooper Meany, Portland oil land heiress, who said she paid Miss Brown to "lead her spiritually" and protect her "from bombardment." J. M. Meany asked a guardian for his wife whose bill for Miss Brown's "spiritual guidance" came—Tooze said—to \$21,430 in four years. Upon his appointment Tooze, a Portland attorney, immediately filed suit in circuit court to recover the money.

SIDE GLANCES

by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Frank L. Charboneau having lots of fun persuading a tiny pekinese pooch to do fancy tricks.

Active club members having a gob of hilarity while giving John Niedermeyer a pre-nuptial shower party.

Audrey Davis averring that women will wear tiny pill box chapeaus at crazy angles, come fall.

Clarence English looking mighty happy as his Medco footballers whitewashed the enemy.