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STORMS SLOW UP ADVANCE ON PARIS; BRITAIN, ITALY TRADE BOMB ATTACKS



Washington, D. C., June 11.—For years it has been "smart" for government workers in the national capital to be left-wingers and either practicing communists or fellow travelers. They joined organizations which are now known to be "transmission belts" to propagate the "party line."

They expressed disapproval of the capitalist system, the profit motive; they advocated collectivism, openly displayed contempt of congress, found many things not to their liking in the American system. Today many of these government job holders are suspect in the wild talk about "fifth column."

Government employees from heads of bureaus to poorly paid stenographers; squads of inexperienced law graduates and policy-making officials, have boldly sympathized with Stalin, the communists in Mexico, the communists in Spain. They welcomed and entertained foreigners who were recognized as "reds" and a meeting for one such was sponsored by a dozen important officials who now regret their prestige was used.

They raised funds for communist causes, denounced anyone differing from them as fascists. Because of the high position some occupied they spread the "party line" in social gatherings, gave it a sort of respectability and, owing to their government jobs, the impression was made by implication that the administration also favored the ideologies expounded.

THESE so-called "liberals" are now swinging to the right as it becomes rumored that a check is being made on some of the erstwhile loud-mouths. Until President Roosevelt broadcast a warning against the enemy within, at least three members of the cabinet rather encouraged the "transmission belt" organizations. These were Harry Hopkins, secretary of commerce; Harold Ickes, secretary of the interior, and Frances

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Cargo For Russia Strangely Delayed

Tacoma, June 11.—(P)—The Swedish freighter Ecuador, reportedly scheduled to load 133 carloads of machines and dies for Russia, was lying idle at a dock here today.

Railroad and waterfront officials declined comment. The vessel was to have started loading this morning.

SIDE GLANCES

by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Lee Hammarley having to be content with a friend's house slippers after losing his shoes while on a fishing expedition.

Edith Braley looking both cool and patriotic in a red, white and blue ensemble with a matching jewelry touch being a Wendell Willkie pin.

Gracia Stuart observing her tenth birthday with much vim, vigor and cake.

Alan Wall's curly black hair being the envy of all spectators fortunate enough to be allowed to visit the eight-day-old youngster.

Kenneth Parrett being extra busy while passing out a book, "How to Reduce Traffic Nerves" to all of his friends—the latter believing there was some concealed reason for his generosity.

HISTORIC MARNE REACHED AGAIN IS CLAIM OF NAZIS

Poilus Check German Smash Further West — Maginot Line Guns Blast Enemy

By The Associated Press Hitler's armies stormed at the gates of Paris tonight, Berlin reported, reaching at one point the Marne river — historic battle field where French Poilus stopped the Kaiser's rush in 1914.

Dispatches from the western front at the same time told of Gen. Maxime Weygand's Poilus firmly checking the German smash farther west, where the deepest Nazi thrust has carried light armored columns across the Seine.

Thunder storms broke violently over the vast heat-parched battlefield, slowing up the advance of German tanks rumbly ahead on the road to Paris.

French Right Holds Paris reported the French right was holding firm in the Argonne.

The Berlin report of Nazi armies smashing through the French Weygand line to the Marne did not say what point they had reached.

It was indicated, however, that the thrust knifed down from the Soissons-Rethel sector, in the center of the French defense lines extending from the Maginot line to the English channel.

Nazis estimated the two French armies reported "destroyed" in the battle of France comprised between 400,000 and 500,000 men.

Maginot Guns Speak Amid a day of swift-breaking developments, guns of the Maginot line suddenly burst into a fierce din, apparently to blast German regiments reported moving toward the Swiss frontier.

For many weeks, the Swiss have stood mobilized in fear lest the Germans invade their tiny mountain country in an attempt to turn the Maginot line's southern (right) flank.

Berlin also asserted Nazi legions had crossed the lower Seine — west of Paris — "at various places."

With the French capital reported hazed by smoke from fires set by German incendiary bombs, the military governor asked all young unmobilized Frenchmen aged 17 and up to leave Paris.

Presumably the French were fearful its youth might fall into German hands and be set to work in labor battalions.

The French high command reported that Gen. Maxime Wey

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U. S. Refugee Ship Talks Fast To Avoid Submarine Torpedo

Washington, June 11.—(P)—The state department announced today that the United States liner Washington with 1,020 passengers en route from Europe was stopped early this morning by an unidentified submarine which first ordered abandonment of the ship, but later allowed it to proceed.

The liner was on its way from Lisbon to Galway, Ireland, to pick up additional Americans.

War Bulletins

Cairo, June 11.—(P)—Egypt was reported tonight to be severing diplomatic and trade relations with Italy.

Paris, June 11.—(P)—The French high command announced tonight it had ordered its divisions to "transfer their resistance south of the Marne" on the east side of Paris.

Tours, France, June 11.—(P)—Heavy anti-aircraft fire was heard late tonight southeast of Tours, the new French capital.

Madrid, June 11.—(P)—Residents of towns along Spain's Mediterranean coast reported hearing gunfire at sea today and said they believed a British warship was firing on attacking Italian warplanes.

HAZE HINDERING SUN IN EFFORT TO BRING NEW MEDFORD HIGH

Grants Pass, June 11.—(P)—A new heat record was set here today for the season as the mercury mounted to 100 degrees at 2:47.

If clouds, haze and zephyrs would only stay out of the way of the sun, the temperature here had a good chance of reaching 100 this afternoon.

At 1:30 the mercury stood at 96 degrees, one higher than at the same time yesterday. Yesterday's maximum of 99 degrees was the highest for 1940 to date.

It was also the highest in the state. Lowest temperature here during the night was 60 degrees.

The humidity yesterday got down to 17 per cent, a fire hazard level.

Official forecast was for generally fair weather tonight and tomorrow, little change in temperature.

Other maximum readings yesterday included Roseburg 95, Hood River 91, Eugene 89, Bend 91, Portland 89, Burns 89, Baker 85, Brookings 85, Newport 82 and North Bend 85.

Portland, June 11.—(P)—The sun turned on a 93-degree temperature at 2 p. m. with the prospects the hottest day of the season might tip a 95-degree maximum. The highest reading yesterday was 89 degrees.

Grain Futures Peg Will Be Abolished

Chicago, June 11.—(P)—Minimum prices on grain futures will be abolished by the Chicago board of trade effective at the opening of business Friday, June 14, it was announced today.

The board of directors decided to discontinue the "pegged limits" at a meeting today.

SENATE APPROVES TRADING OLD GUNS TO HELP ALLIES

Roosevelt's Request Backed by 67 to 18 Vote—Army Fund Bill Waits Pen

Washington, June 11.—(P)—President Roosevelt's request that the army be authorized to trade in old guns for new—a transaction which would make thousands of old weapons immediately available for sale by manufacturers to Britain and France—was approved today by the senate.

By a roll-call vote of 67 to 18 the provision authorizing return of obsolete or surplus weapons to manufacturers was written into a pending defense bill passed by the house, in order to speed expected approval of the authority by congress.

Planes Already Free. Under the provision, the army could turn in to manufacturers hundreds of weapons which the Allies need, and obtain credit with the manufacturers toward the purchase of new weapons yet to be made.

The Allies, meanwhile, could buy the old ones. Authority for such transactions with airplanes already exists.

Final senate approval of a \$1,821,853,222 army appropriation bill also sent the measure to the White House for President Roosevelt's signature.

A major portion of the funds will become available for weapons, soldiers and airplanes as soon as the bill is signed.

Washington, June 11.—(P)—The house appropriations committee recommended an additional

ITALIAN MERCHANTMEN CAPTURED BY BRITISH IN WIDESPREAD PORTS

Algiciras, Spain, June 11.—(P)—Three Italian merchantmen have been captured by the British at Gibraltar and in Spanish territorial waters.

The Libano, 200 tons, and the Pagao, 3,800 tons, were captured at Gibraltar and the Oltara, 2,900 tons, anchored near Gibraltar, was seized.

Capetown, South Africa, June 11.—(P)—The 3,627-ton Italian steamer Sistiana has been seized in Table Bay by British South African authorities, Reuters British news agency, reported today.

Two other Italian ships were reported beached by their crews on African capes to escape seizure or sinking.

Ottawa, June 11.—(P)—A Canadian minesweeper was credited today with the seizure of the 3,921-ton Italian steamer Capo Noli after the vessel's crew had attempted to scuttle it last night in the St. Lawrence river to evade capture.

Truckman's Fate Hangs By Hair

Tacoma, June 11.—(P)—Fate of James Hampson, 32, five dairy truck driver charged with first degree murder in the death of his former sweetheart, Virginia Riffle, 26, may literally "hang by a hair," deputy Prosecutor Hugo Metzler, Jr., declared today as the trial got underway in superior court.

Metzler, in his opening statement said the hair was removed from Hampson's bloodstained trousers shortly after Miss Riffle was found bludgeoned February 21.

TURKEY CALLS UP RESERVE FORCES; HURRIES DEFENSE

Entry On Side of Allies Depends On Russian Attitude; Cabinet in Session

Ankara, June 11.—(P)—Turkey, awaiting a Russian cue before entering Europe's war, called large numbers of reservists to the colors today, and pushed the work of anti-air raid defense throughout the nation.

Soviet Russia holds the key to Turkey's fulfillment of her mutual assistance treaty with Great Britain and France, it was acknowledged in informed quarters.

The cabinet met throughout the afternoon and its stand was reported to depend on a response from Russia as to the Soviet attitude in case Turkey should join the allies in fighting Italy in the Mediterranean.

Ulus, the official newspaper, declared that Turkey possesses "the might and capacity to accomplish the national task" and was ready to fight any power infringing her rights but did not mention the pact with the allies.

The war, it predicted, will be long, and as it develops, Turkey's task and importance will be increased.

GRANGE CONVENTION TOLD AAA PROGRAMS ALL PROVEN FAILURE

Salem, June 11.—(P)—Asserting that "crop control and other AAA programs have proven failures," Albert S. Goss, former master of the Washington State Grange and recently resigned federal land bank commissioner, told the Oregon State Grange today, "the only solution is cooperative marketing, and not relying on the party in power."

Goss, addressing the 67th annual convention of the State Grange, opposed a proposed bill to transfer the farm credit administration to the department of agriculture.

The five-day convention, now in its second day, nominated candidates for one position on the executive committee, this being the only major office for which there is an election this year.

TOURIST BUSINESS TO REQUIRE SPUR

Grants Pass, June 11.—(P)—Oregon will have to go out after tourist business to get it this year, two travel advisers told the chamber of commerce Monday.

Arch Sanders, secretary of the Oregon Coast Highway association, said: "We'll need to keep a stiff upper lip and take a cinch in our belts because an awful lot of people have jitters and they are not going to do a lot of traveling this summer." Ray W. Clark, Portland hotelman and director of the Pacific Northwest Travel association, said that to keep travel rolling, a vacation desire must be built up to overcome war fears.

Tourist car registration so far this year for the entire state is 8 per cent below last year's.

"Boiler Kid" Walks

Chicago, June 11.—(P)—Fred Sntle, Sr., father of Chicago's famous "iron lung" victim, said today Fred, Jr., now was walking with assistance.

Duce Joins Hitler in War



The riddle of Rome which has claimed the interest of the world for months, was cleared yesterday when Mussolini sent his millions into war on the side of Germany. Il Duce is shown striding along with Fascist Secretary Ettore Muhi (left) and Marshal Pietro Badoglio.

Roosevelt Likes 'Stop Hitler Now' Newspaper Spread

Washington, June 11.—(P)—President Roosevelt endorsed today an advertisement which proposed that the United States help "stop Hitler now" by giving all possible aid to the Allies.

On his desk at a press conference was a full-page copy of the newspaper advertisement. It bore a black caption: "Stop Hitler Now."

It was sponsored by a "committee to defend America by aiding the Allies." The group was headed by William Allen White, Emporia, Kas., editor.

Modesty demands that Baines women wear ankle-length skirts, but they wear no waists.

20-30 LEADER HEADS FOR CONVENTION HERE

Portland, June 11.—(P)—Abbe Strunk of San Antonio, Tex., national president of the 20-30 club, visited Portland today and prepared for a tour to southern Oregon.

He will speak here tonight, Lakeview Thursday, Klamath Falls Friday and attend the state convention at Medford Saturday and Sunday.

Sheriff Ousted

Lansing, Mich., June 11.—(P)—Governor Luren D. Dickinson of Michigan tonight removed from office Sheriff Thomas C. Wilcox of Wayne county (Detroit) who has been indicted on charges of conspiring to protect vice and gambling in the Detroit metropolitan area.

1,000 Planes Per Day Easy Declares Ford After Study

Washington, June 11.—(P)—Edsel Ford said today after a conference with William S. Knudsen, member of the national defense commission, that his company was ready to swing into mass production of air planes as soon as the government granted it contracts.

The Ford company president conferred for 2½ hours with Knudsen, production member of the commission.

By David J. Wilkie AP Automotive Editor Detroit, June 11.—Mass production of high-speed pursuit planes for the United States army—at least 1,000 a day with a simple task, Henry Ford said today, but they can be rolled off his assembly lines without interruption to normal output of automobiles.

The 76-year-old Ford made this assertion in an interview after he and his engineers had thoroughly inspected yesterday the type of plane the United States war department believes would be "most needed in an emergency." It was a Curtiss P-40, single-engine machine

with a top speed of 367 miles an hour.

"But remember," said Ford, who has held a life-long hatred of war, "they are to be for defense only, that's the bargain all the way through."

Ford, disclosing that he had been working on a new airplane motor for some time, indicated that he was ready to get under way as soon as a go-ahead order is received from the war department.

Ford, who examined the interior of the plane's cockpit and then crawled under the wings for a closer inspection of its construction, smiled confidently as he completed his personal survey and turned the big speedster over to his engineering staff.

"It was not a bit more complicated than I anticipated," he said today. "All we have to do is to get the first one right, the remainder of the volume then becomes merely a production job."

Welding, he said, would replace the thousands of rivets in the plane he visions in mass production.

STRATEGIC BASES IN LIBYA, MALTA RAIDER TARGETS

British Claim 'Great Success' in Attack on Libya—Discount Malta Damage

London, June 11.—(P)—The British Broadcasting corporation announced tonight that British planes had bombed Italian bases in Libya.

The announcer said the bombers had "great success," adding "we caught the enemy napping this time."

Airdromes, bombers and ammunition dumps, he said, were attacked and set on fire.

The planes—long range Blenheims—met heavy anti-aircraft fire and strong fighter opposition, it was admitted, however.

Three RAF planes failed to return.

London, June 11.—(P)—The war office today announced "enemy aircraft had raided Malta, Britain's naval base in the Mediterranean."

Malta, by air line, is 430 miles from Rome, but a mere hop from Sicily where Italy has both naval and air bases.

From the great French naval base at Bizerta, Tunisia, it is 120 miles. It is one of the most important points on Britain's lifeline through the Mediterranean and Suez canal.

The communique said that "at 4:30 a. m. today a raid by about ten hostile aircraft was carried out on Malta. A further raid followed during the morning."

"Casualties were slight. Little damage was done. One enemy airplane was destroyed."

HARRINGTON SETS QUALIFYING PACE

Portland, June 11.—(P)—George Harrington of Medford and Jay Block of Portland led early finishers today in the final qualifying round of the Oregon State golf championships at Riverside country club.

Harrington cracked out a two under par 70 today to give him a 148 total for the 36-hole qualifying round. Block also had 148 after a 72 today. Harrington's 70 is the lowest score so far.

In women's play Marian McDougal and Sissy Green, the medalist, advanced into the second round.

NATIONAL

Table with columns: First game, R, H, E. Rows: New York, Chicago, Lohrman and Danning; Lee, Root, and Collins.

Table with columns: Second game, R, H, E. Rows: New York, Chicago, Dean and Odes; Passeau, Raffensberger and Todd.

Table with columns: R, H, E. Rows: Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Beck and Warren; Walters and Lombardi.

Table with columns: American, Score, R, H, E. Rows: Detroit, New York, Bridges and Tebbetts; Donald, Hildebrand and Dickey.

Table with columns: Score, R, H, E. Rows: Cleveland, Boston, Feller, Dobson, Nymlick, and Hensley; Wilson and Desautels. St. Louis, Washington, Kennedy and Swift; Leonard, Haynes and Ferrell.