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News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

Washington, July 15.—The worry of many an officer in our general staff now is not "when" we will have a superior efficient army, but "if" we will ever have one. It is generally recognized in the war department that the draftees only receive about ten months good training out of their year, if and when weapons are available. The rest of the time is spent going to and from camps, with innoculations, illnesses, outfitting, etc. Then along comes another batch to acquire another ten months' experience. Thus, when we get through (the way we are going) we will have a mass civilian army large in number, but so weak in training it would be a crime to set it up against any well-prepared fighting force.

HITLER has a professional army, soldiers to whom arms is a profession. His warrior class enjoys better food and clothing and a standard of living above that of the ordinary population. The British and French have relied mainly on brief civilian training, as we do. The Russians have mostly a civilian army, but they train their citizens for five years. This civilian army idea was a wise product of the original inspiration of our constitution. The founding fathers did not want a professional army. Its maintenance cost would be high, but more important, the man who controlled the army might control the country (as in Latin America today). So they put a provision in the constitution against quartering soldiers in private homes for this very reason. (Today in Europe soldiers are quartered in private homes for the payment of the equivalent of 1 cent a day per soldier.) Since then, however, war has ceased to be a problem of shooting a flint-lock with superior spirit. It has become a science of mechanics, based on superior

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ATLANTAN NAMED ELKS LODGE HEAD

Philadelphia, July 15.—(P)—Judge John S. McClelland of Atlanta was elected grand exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks today at the order's annual convention. He succeeds Joseph G. Buch, of Trenton, N. J.

Radio Highlights

By the Associated Press
(Time is Pacific Standard) ...
Tonight, the war—4:55 CBS; 5:15 MBS; 5:30 NBC-Blue; 6 MBS; 6:45 CBS; 8 NBC-Blue; 8:30 MBS; 8:55 NBC-Blue.

Talks—NBC-Blue 4, Wendell Willkie on "Aid For British Labor." NBC-Blue 6 Sen. Robert A. Taft on "Occupation of Iceland." CBS 6:15 C. V. Whitney on "Struggle for Inter-American Trade Ways."

Wednesday, the war—4 a.m. NBC-Blue; 4:55 NBC-Blue; 5 NBC-Red; CBS; 6 NBC-Blue; MBS; 7 MBS; 8 MBS; 9:45 NBC; 10 MBS; 11:55 CBS; 12:55 p.m. NBC-Blue; 2:25 NBC-Red; 2:45 CBS, NBC-Blue.

Some short waves: VLQ7 Sydney 1:55 Music; DJD, DZD, DXP Berlin, 3:45 concert; GSC, GSD, London, 4:30 Britain Speaks; 2RO Rome, 7 News.

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Raymond Fish telling a group of non-fishing girls about a big, man-eating salmon that ran him out of the river while he was fishing the other day.

Justin Smith, Sr., coasting down-hill in six-year-old Junior's wagon while Junior mowed the lawn.

Jerry Jerome protesting a reference herein to his wedding anniversary which gave him a mere 19 years in 12:55 p.m. the 25 years he rated.

Russian Tanks in Woods



A Russian tank on the eastern front. This picture is another test transmission by radio from Moscow via RCA.

Government to Round Up Socialist Worker Leaders

St. Paul, July 15.—(P)—A federal grand jury today named 29 persons in indictments charging seditious conspiracy and advising insubordination and overthrow of the United States government.

Those indicted all are officers or members of the Socialist Workers party.

Henry A. Schweinhaut, special assistant attorney general, said it was the largest peace time roundup in the nation for seditious conspiracy and the first indictments under the Smith act which became law in June, 1940, covering conspiracy in the advocacy of overthrow of the government.

The indictment charges that those named were "officers, leaders, active members and in control of a certain political party or organization known as the Socialist Workers Party which party . . . would procure, induce, influence, incite, and encourage to join with them to bring about the overthrow by force of the government of the United States."

The indictment further charges that the party would and did attempt to bring about control of the militia by workers and laborers, and "procured certain explosives, firearms and ammunition and military equipment, and were organized into military units, armed and drilled under the name of 'Union Defense Guard.'"

"They accepted as ideal the formula of the Russian revolution of 1917, and certain defendants went from the Twin Cities to Mexico City where they received advice and counsel from Leon Trotsky."

A majority of those named are officers and active members of General Drivers Union 544, of Minneapolis, Victor E. Anderson, U. S. district attorney, said.

MANY NIPPED ON TRAFFIC CHARGES

Ralph L. Champion, 20, charged with attempting to pass another auto on the left hand side, entered a plea of guilty in justice court yesterday and was fined \$2.50 and costs. He was given time to pay. The offense occurred on North Riverside avenue.

Russell L. Crockett of Sacramento, was assessed \$10 and costs for violation of the PUC weight regulations for trucks. Robert L. Swannberg paid the same amount for hauling a weight in excess of his PUC weight receipt.

Paula H. Turnbow was fined \$1 and costs for non-possession of an operator's license; Charles L. Kinney for failure to stop at the Pacific Highway and Bear Creek road intersection, paid \$1 and costs; Champ Pitts was assessed \$1 and costs for not having an operator's license, and Frederick L. Herren, \$2.50 and costs for having only one headlight on his auto.

With yesterday's heavy business, 48 traffic cases have been handled in justice court since July 1.

Troops Enter Beirut

London, July 15.—(P)—British and Free French troops today entered Beirut, capital of Lebanon. Reuters (British news agency) reported in a dispatch from Haifa.

MONDAY SIZZLER SETS RECORD FOR MEDFORD REGION

Salem, July 15.—(P)—Salem sweltered under a 107-degree temperature this afternoon, only one degree short of the all-time record set in 1925, but the mercury then started downward.

At 1:30 p. m., it was 103, then climbed to 107 about 2 p. m., and it was down to 105 at 2:30.

Maximum temperature at 2:30 p. m. today was 101, one degree higher than yesterday at the same time.

Despite a slight drop in temperature yesterday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. when the mercury slid to 100 degrees after registering 101.1 at 2:15 p. m., Old Sol later turned on the heat and pushed official weather bureau thermometers to 103 degrees, giving Medford its warmest day of the year.

Highest 1941 temperature previous to yesterday was June 11 when the weather bureau recorded 102 degrees. Minimum temperature this morning was 63 degrees. Temperatures a year ago yesterday were 83, maximum and 51, minimum.

By the Associated Press

The mercury bubbled near or at the 100-degree level in many a northwest city and hamlet at 1:30 p. m. today and in some places there was no doubt that the peak would be above yesterday's sweltering level.

The reading at Portland was 101, just one degree under downtown Portland's top of Monday. The local weather bureau reported 1 p. m. reading at Seattle of 91, and Redding, Cal., 98.

The hottest vicinity Monday, North The Dalles, Wash., and The Dalles, Ore., got it even worse today. The peak at North The Dalles Monday was 107. At 1 p. m. today the mercury was at 108 and still climbing.

Willamette valley points, all of which perspired in 100-degree or higher temperatures yesterday, reported more of the same. It was 103 degrees at Salem where the Monday peak was 104. Corvallis reported 100 at 1:30 p. m., Eugene 98. Pendleton reported 100, La Grande 98, Grants Pass 103.

Corvallis reported that A. C. Wescott, 55, of Portland, collapsed and died on a downtown street late yesterday of a heart attack apparently induced by the heat.

Silverton Widows Date Annual Picnic

Silverton, July 15.—(P)—Silverton Widows will hold their fourth annual picnic here July 29.

Mrs. George Custer, president, said all widows were invited with the stipulation that their conversation must not turn to malicious gossip or to complaints of illness.

Reds Hurl Foes Back on Dnepr Front; Nazi Tanks Menace City of Novgorod

COUNTER ATTACK REGAINS GROUND ALONG WIDE LINE

Rogachev Recaptured by Defenders—Fierce Fighting Moscow, Leningrad Roads

Moscow, July 15.—(P)—Soviet government does not contemplate the evacuation of Moscow, S. A. Losovsky, vice commissar for foreign affairs, today informed the head of the diplomatic corps, Mohammed Saad, the Iranian (Persian) ambassador.

Moscow, July 15.—(P)—The Russian army was reported today to have launched a major offensive along the Dnepr river, crossing the river at several points north of Rogachev and pushing the Germans back 30 kilometers (about 19 miles).

A dispatch from the front, timed at 5 a. m. today (6 p. m. Monday, PST), published in Izvestia, the government newspaper, said the Russian drive westward was continuing.

Rogachev Retaken. It asserted that Rogachev, on the west bank of the Dnepr, about 130 miles southeast of Minsk, was recaptured by the red army Sunday. This town has been the scene of bitter fighting, as the Germans drove across the river there in advance of their central columns aimed at Smolensk and Moscow.

The high command's afternoon communique was silent on the Dnepr offensive, but reported that fighting raged unabated throughout last night for the roads to Moscow and Leningrad. It indicated that there had been no change of the positions of the armies on the Ukrainian front.

The first Russian troops who crossed the river above Rogachev were reported to have destroyed German artillery batteries and concentrations of tanks and forced the reichswehr infantry to retreat.

During the night, the dispatch said, Germans shelled villages from which they had withdrawn. The Nazis also were said to have dispatched planes in an effort to check the offensive.

Three Planes Downed

Three planes were reported shot down by Russian anti-aircraft guns.

The front line was reported today to lie 30 kilometers (19 miles) west of Rogachev.

The Izvestia correspondent said the Russian offensive was being pressed between Rogachev and Zlobin, 15 miles to the south, and indicated that large forces were involved in the fighting.

ENGINEERS SCAN CANTONMENT SITE

C. L. Coray, principal engineer, and R. C. Buell, structural engineer, left for their San Francisco office by United Mainliner last evening after spending the day here inspecting the site of the proposed army cantonment and giving advice on structural design.

The two men are from the zone 9 constructing quartermaster's office in San Francisco. They arrived here yesterday morning from Hermiston.

BLAZE ON BORDER VEILS SUN AT K.F.

Klamath Falls, July 15.—(P)—A deep pall of smoke from a huge grass and brush fire just south of the California border covered the sun and brought limited relief here today from the current heat wave.

Burning on long lines in the Modoc national forest and the Lava Beds national monument the lightning-caused fires were fought by "every available man in Siskiyou and Modoc counties," according to Don Fisher, custodian of the monument.

10 HURT WHEN BUS, CAR CRASH

Prisoner Ignites Padded Cell and Roasts to Death

Redwood City, Cal., July 15.—(P)—A fire in the padded cell of the San Mateo county jail took the life of a prisoner today.

The victim of the blaze was L. C. Crews, 36, of San Bruno, serving 10 days for reckless driving.

Sheriff James J. McGrath said Crews, lodged in the jail yesterday, was transferred to solitary confinement, the padded cell quarter, after another prisoner complained he was acting queerly.

The pads around the concrete cell were lined with excelsior. The sheriff said Crews was searched for matches, but that some must have been concealed. The stuffing had been pulled from the pads and ignited.

CALIFORNIAN BUYS STURGISS RANCH

Purchase of the Fred Sturgiss stock ranch by John F. Kirsch of Anaheim, Cal., was announced today. The sale involved 200 acres situated near the Rogue Elk hotel on Elk creek and 90 head of range cattle at a price of \$13,000. Buildings include two houses, fully equipped, and five barns. The transaction was handled by D. E. Millard of Shady Cove.

Mr. Sturgiss, a rancher for 30 years, plans to remain on the property at present, later retiring from active business. Mr. and Mrs. Kirsch and family are in southern Oregon for a few days. Mr. Millard said that they have inspected property in California and north to Salem, finally selecting this section of the country as most suited to their needs. Two trout streams run through the land. Mr. Kirsch plans to take over the property later in the year after closing his business in California.

WARD STRIKERS TO VOTE WEDNESDAY

Portland, July 15.—(P)—Striking employees at the closed Montgomery Ward & Co. store here will vote at 8 p. m. Wednesday on a contract with the firm, spokesman for the Retail Clerks and Warehousemen unions (AFL) said at noon today.

Details of the contract were not disclosed but the union spokesman said a committee of the unions had approved it. Unionists indicated that the contract, if accepted here, might pave the way for reopening of the company's big Oakland, Calif., store and other Pacific coast stores.

HITLER TO SEEK PEACE, IS BELIEF

London, July 15.—(P)—The British Press association said today it inferred from current conferences of German Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop that Adolf Hitler is preparing "to consider peace in the west—and apparently a generous peace," so that he might be free for the Russian war.

SUPREME COURT ENDS LABORS FOR SUMMER

Salem, July 15.—(P)—The state supreme court, recessing until early in September, handed down nine decisions today, including a \$6,000 judgment for personal injury in favor of John H. McCauley against the Pacific Atlantic Steamship company.

McCauley, a sailor aboard the company's ship San Bernardino, was injured at New London, Conn., Feb. 15, 1938.

ATTEMPT TO PASS NEAR BEALL LANE CAUSES ACCIDENT

Stephen J. Cline, Airport Timekeeper, Driver of Car Which Crashed Into Stage

Ten persons were confined in Sacred Heart and Community hospitals today following a terrific head-on collision between a northbound Pacific Greyhound stage, carrying 25 passengers, and a 1936 Buick convertible coupe operated by Stephen J. Cline, 34, of 617 North Front street, chief timekeeper on the WPA airport project. The accident occurred at 9:15 last night on the Pacific highway at the Beall lane intersection, two and a half miles north of Medford.

Cline was the most seriously injured, suffering a fractured jaw, possible fractured ribs, a laceration of the head, many cuts on the body and legs and numerous painful bruises. However, Sacred Heart hospital attendants said today that he apparently was not critically injured and that there were no other broken bones except for his jaw.

9 Hurt in Stage

Nine persons riding in the stage, including the driver, sustained injuries in the crash. They were:

Roy Harding, 38, Eugene, driver of the stage—lacerations of both legs and bruises. Confined in Sacred Heart hospital.

Mrs. Steve Dzida, 27, Los Angeles—many bruises and shock. Confined in Sacred Heart hospital.

Matthew Dzida, 9, son of Mrs. Dzida—minor injuries. Confined in Sacred Heart hospital.

Mrs. Susie Woodward, Cascade Locks, Ore.—minor bruises.

Mrs. Elma Olson, 46, Bremerton, Wash.—lacerations on the face and bruises. Confined in Community hospital.

Bert Maxwell, 11, son of Mrs. Olson—several front teeth knocked out, cuts and bruises. Confined in Community hospital.

Ira I. Goodlin, 57, North Bend, Ore.—four broken ribs and bruises. Confined in Community hospital.

John Oliver, 18, company D. 116th engineers, Tacoma—Injured back. Confined in Community hospital.

Noel Bourda, 22, company D. 116th engineers, Tacoma—Injured back. Confined in Community hospital.

Attempt To Pass

According to the state police, who investigated the mishap, the crash occurred when Cline, southbound and alone in his car, apparently attempted to pass another southbound machine without sufficient clearance in face of the oncoming stage. The point of impact, police said, was 30 feet south of the Beall lane intersection, and indicated that the Cline car was almost in the center of the northbound traffic lane.

The left front of the Buick coupe struck the front left side of the stage, knocking back the stage's left front wheel and spinning the big vehicle so that it faced west partly across the Pacific highway and partly in Beall lane. After the impact, the coupe also spun around and faced in the same direction, police said.

Police quoted passengers as saying the stage was traveling about 30 miles an hour at the time of the crash, and said that several southbound motorists told of having been passed by Cline prior to the wreck.

Coupe Wrecked

The front end of the stage was damaged considerably, and the coupe was so badly wrecked that police expressed wonder that Cline survived. The motor of the smaller vehicle was driven into the front seat, ramming the steering wheel against Cline and pinning his legs to the front portion of the seat.

The Perl ambulance made two trips from the scene of the wreck to the hospitals, and several of the less painfully in-

BASEBALL

American R. H. E.

Philadelphia . . . 2 7 1
Detroit . . . 3 8 1
Harris and Wagner; Newsom and Sullivan.

New York . . . 5 10 0
Chicago . . . 4 12 1
Peck, Branch and Rosar; Smith and Tresh.

Boston . . . 6 10 1
Cleveland . . . 2 4 2
Dobson and Pytlak; Harder, Brown and DeSauteles, Hemsley.

National

First game: R. H. E.
Chicago . . . 0 4 1
Brooklyn . . . 7 4 0
French, Mooty and Scheffing; Davis and Owen.

Second game: R. H. E.
Chicago . . . 4 6 2
Brooklyn . . . 8 12 1
Errickson, Presnell, Mooty and McCullough; Hamlin and Franks.

Pittsburgh . . . R. H. E.
New York . . . 5 10 1
Butcher and Lopez; Melton, Brown and Danning.

(16 innings) R. H. E.
St. Louis . . . 3 9 0
Philadelphia . . . 2 11 2
Crouch, Krist and Mancusobn, Padgett; Grissom, Beck, Pearson, and Warren, Livingston.

Cincinnati . . . 3 8 2
Boston . . . 0 4 2
Vandermeer and R. West; Javery, Hutchings and Berres.

SALE OF GASOLINE CURBED IN CANADA

Ottawa, Ont., July 15.—(P)—Canada announced today the prohibition of sale, delivery and distribution of gasoline and oil to motorists from 7 p. m. to 7 a. m. week-days and for all Sundays, effective tomorrow.

The order was announced by Federal Oil Controller G. R. Cottrell. It was coupled with an appeal to citizens to cooperate against the prospect of a serious shortage by cutting the use of their cars 50 percent.

Authorization for an increase of one cent a gallon for gasoline also was announced.

Use of credit cards is prohibited; gasoline and oil must be sold on a cash-and-carry basis.

Injured persons were taken in private cars. The remaining passengers of the bus were brought back to Medford in an empty southbound Pacific Greyhound stage, which was flagged down by state police, and those wishing to continue their northbound trips were put on the second section of the stage that was involved in the accident, about three hours later.

George Davis, driver for Perl's ambulance, again said that motorists failed to heed the warning of his siren and that he narrowly averted several accidents en route to the wreck and to the hospitals. He asked that drivers pull to the side of the road and stop, according to the law, upon hearing a siren.

Find Soldier's Body

Astoria, Ore., July 15.—(P)—The body of a soldier was recovered from Sunset lake yesterday by two boys, papers in a pocket identified it as that of Lonnie Parker Jr., Deputy Sheriff Myron Jones said. The regiment to which he was attached is no longer in this area.

F. R. Urges Daylight Saving To Speed National Defense

Washington, July 15.—(P)—President Roosevelt asked congress today for legislation to provide daylight saving time "upon such a regional or national basis, and for such part, or all, of the year, as he might deem necessary in the interest of our national defense."

The chief executive made the recommendation in letters to Speaker Rayburn and Vice President Wallace, supporting it with figures to show that the effects of year-around daylight saving would result in a probable annual reduction of 736,282,000 kilowatt-hours in the use of electricity.

Mr. Roosevelt also sent letters to eight southern governors telling of a need for daylight time and declaring that the country "is faced with a serious power shortage that is impeding the national defense program."

The shortage is particularly acute, he said, in the southeastern portion of the country. The letters went to the governors of Alabama, Virginia, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi and Florida.

CIRCLE OF STEEL NEARS Leningrad IS BERLIN CLAIM

Entire Fortified Zone of Stalin Line in Vitebsk Area Declared Penetrated

Berlin, July 15.—(P)—A German tank corps menaced the city of Novgorod, 100 miles south of Leningrad, tonight, German sources said, and added that the ring of steel seemed to be drawing closer to Leningrad itself, second largest city in Russia.

Novgorod lies only 50 miles from the main railroad running between Leningrad and Moscow. DNB, official German news agency, declared the red army's attempts to maintain a defense front along the Dvina and Dnepr river regions east of the pierced Stalin line have been frustrated by German attacks.

The high command continued its policy of withholding details of the eastern operations, simply reporting progress, but censored dispatches from the front told of the approach on Novgorod, a rail center with a population of 55,000.

DNB said that the entire fortified zone of the Stalin line in the Vitebsk area, 250 miles south of Novgorod, had been penetrated and that the easternmost bunkers had been in possession of German infantrymen since Monday evening.

The German infantry fought 36 hours in the field, the agency said, until the camouflaged main bunker, "a giant block of cement and steel with rooms under the earth," was conquered.

COL. DAVIS ENJOYS FISHING IN ROGUE

Col. Michael F. Davis, acting commander of Hamilton field, San Rafael, Cal., until two weeks ago, was enjoying fishing in the Rogue river today.

The colonel arrived by plane yesterday to spend a few days with the 20th pursuit group, now encamped on the Elks picnic grounds. A check-up today showed 25 states are represented by the 80 officers at the camp, five of them from Oregon.

The men at the camp have become sufficiently adjusted to try experiments now, it was related by Lieut. Howard T. Wright, publicity officer. They now keep cool in the afternoon by going nine miles upstream and shooting down through the cooling rapids on logs.

Now that they have killed all the little snakes around the camp, the two Negro cooks also are enjoying life, Wright said. The cooks were frightened half to death when they first encountered the snakes, he stated.

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