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FIGHT HAND-TO-HAND FOR LENINGRAD

Hugh Johnson Eyes Men and Issues of Day

By Gen. Hugh S. Johnson
Washington, Sept. 25.—There is a cloud on the horizon of some under-current discussion in Washington, as yet perhaps "no bigger than a man's hand." But it broke in the public prints recently in one of the philosophical discussions of Mr. Walter Lippman to some such effect as this:

"Isn't it time to reconsider whether we need a 'mass' army and didn't we make a mistake in the panic following the French collapse in assuming that we need to equip and train a large land force?"

The general argument, as I understand it (not Mr. Lippman's alone) was that when we decided to rearm there was danger of the British navy being wiped out and of Japan seriously threatening us in the Pacific. Therefore we plunged to conscription and the creation of a modern army of 1,500,000 men to defend our shores and against any attack on this hemisphere. Now that these dangers have passed, isn't it time to whittle down our army plans?

As far as this column is concerned, it never did believe in any danger of the elimination of the British fleet nor any Japanese naval combination threatening our shores in the Pacific. Above all, it has constantly argued that the threat of any great modern overseas land expeditionary force to the shores of the Americas was ridiculous—absurd—with one qualification, that we promptly train a reasonable modern army sufficiently equipped to prevent a sudden incursion with such superior armored and armed equipment and training as to make mere numbers of bow-and-arrow troops of no avail.

The great rich and powerful empires of Mexico and Peru were taken by Cortez and Pizarro.

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STATE PROPERTY

Salem, Sept. 25.—(P)—Property owned by the state of Oregon is valued at \$38,868,000, an increase of \$2,000,000 on the past year, the board of control said today. The increase is due largely to the state highway commission's reappraisal of its properties.

Radio Highlights

Joseph W. Martin, Jr., national Republican chairman, will speak at the State Republican clubs convention at Roseburg from 8 to 8:30 p. m. Saturday. The speech will be broadcast by the Mutual Don Lee chain.

By Associated Press.
(Time is Pacific standard.)
Tonight, the war—3:00 NBC-Blue, 5:15 MBS, 6:00 MBS, 6:30 NBC-Blue, 6:45 CBS, 8:00 NBC CBS.

NBC-Red—7:15 Duke and Duchess of Windsor in Washington. NBC-Blue—5:30 lightweight fight, Ray Robinson vs. Marty Servo.

Friday, the war—7 MBS, 10 MBS, 11:55 CBS MBS, 12:35 p. m. NBC-Blue 2 MBS, 2:25 NBC-Red, 2:45 CBS NBC-Blue.

Army maneuvers—CBS 12:30. NBC-Blue—12:45, MBS 3:30. NBC-Blue—10:30 a. m. Chicago Science museum drama "Old Rocking Chair"; 12 m. Associate Justice Douglas on "Citizenship."

Short waves: DJD DZD Berlin 4:15 Spanish music; GSC GSD London 5:15 Democracy Marches; TGWA Guatemala 7 Radio Theater; GSC GSD London 8:30 news and views.

SIDE GLANCES

BY TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Many of the boys believing more fully in relief for China after getting a glimpse of smart-looking Erma Gordon, its apostle for Oregon.

Karl Janouch closing himself off to the world to catch up on correspondence that accumulated while he was traipsing around the forests.

SEE-SAW BATTLE FOR OLD CAPITAL PROVING COSTLY

German Casualties Enormous Reds Claim—Nazis Say Defense Is Hopeless.

Berlin, Sept. 25.—(P)—The Russians are throwing great masses of men against German positions on the Dvina river more than 200 miles west of Moscow. DNB said tonight.

By the Associated Press
German military dispatches reported violent hand-to-hand fighting raging in the streets of Leningrad's suburbs today, while the Russians declared that cavalry charges and thrusts by cannon-blazing Soviet tanks had hurled the Nazis back six miles and recaptured two villages on the city's outskirts.

German losses were described by the Russians as enormous in the bloody see-saw battle for the old czarist capital.

On the central front, a Soviet bulletin reported that Marshal Semeon Timoshenko's red armies were pushing a counter-offensive in the Gomel sector, midway between Smolensk and Kiev, in a drive to lift the pressure on Russian troops in the Ukraine.

Nazi military quarters, dodging any prediction as to when Leningrad would fall, declared nevertheless that the position of red army defenders was becoming "more and more hopeless."

The Russians, however, countered with the assertion that the fierce battle was beginning to turn in favor of Marshal Klement Voroshilov's defense forces.

Soviet counter-attacks in greater number and strength were reported to be stemming the Nazi onslaught, despite the arrival of a steady stream of German reinforcements.

"Red army fighters and armed Leningradites are dealing blows in various directions," said the Soviet army newspaper, Red Star.

The Moscow radio, as heard in London, admitted that a few German tanks had succeeded in knifing through the Soviet first line of defense at Leningrad yesterday, but asserted they were thrown back with heavy losses.

With Soviet war supplies hard hit by destruction and capture in the 96-day-old conflict, reliable London quarters disclosed that British tanks may soon go into action on the vast front. British-manned RAF planes are already fighting alongside the Russians.

LOCAL MEN PASS REALTOR QUIZZES

Salem, Sept. 25.—(P)—State Real Estate Commissioner Claude H. Murphy announced today that 84 per cent of the salesmen and 90 per cent of the brokers who took the recent real estate examinations made passing grades. Oregon is one of eight states requiring written examinations.

Brokers—J. J. Osenbrunne and Ernest J. Smith, both of Medford.

Salesmen—Thomas J. Hight, Medford; Zelma M. Parker, Gold Hill.

Dance Hall Patron Fined for Disorder

Charged with disorderly conduct and using profane language at a public dance hall, Wray Lucky Shiffessell, 18, of Medford was fined \$50 in the city court this morning by City Judge William A. Allen. Unable to pay the fine, Shiffessell started serving 25 days in jail.

Shiffessell, according to city police, struck Rudy Singler at the dance in Townsend hall last night. Police said Singler explained that he had given Shiffessell his money back and told him to leave, and that Shiffessell waited downstairs and struck him in the eye when Singler left the hall.

Nazis Claim 50 Red Divisions Lost



Germans claimed destruction of 50 Russian divisions east of Kiev and a continuing advance toward Kharkov (1), and reported an advance to the Sea of Azov had put the Don river and the city of Rostov (2) under German air force control. To the west Odessa was still holding out under siege.

BURGLAR STABS YOUNG CAPTOR; MAKES ESCAPE

In a courageous battle last night about 8:30 with a burglar caught red-handed after he had rifled the office of the Medford Auto Wrecking company, 1818 North Riverside avenue, Clement Haas, 17, of 606 West 11th street suffered severe but not serious knife slashes on his left arm and right hand, and was to be discharged from Sacred Heart hospital today after receiving medical attention.

The burglar, after being captured inside the building by Haas and his companion, John Bobbett, 17, son of C. P. Bobbett proprietor of the auto wrecking company, escaped after stabbing young Haas three times in the arm and inflicting a painful cut on the third finger of his right hand. The arm cuts were deep and each about one inch long, hospital attendants stated.

The burglar made good his escape, police said, as he was being taken by the two youths to the Bobbett residence situated across Bear Creek in the rear of the auto wrecking company. As the trio were crossing a small bridge spanning an irrigation ditch, the burglar jerked loose and jumped into the ditch.

Without a moment's hesitation, the Haas boy leaped after him while young Bobbett held the beam of a flashlight on the pair. After a short struggle the burglar whipped out a knife and wielded it on Haas' arm and hand, then ran north along the west side of the ditch.

Aroused by the boys' cries, residents of the vicinity soon joined in the search, but the burglar had disappeared. The two youths then went to the Berrydale store and telephoned police, who also had no success in recapturing the burglar.

The burglar was discovered when the boys went into the building to sleep, they having made plans to guard the concern following several minor burglaries there the past few months. They had conspired a unique burglar alarm system connecting with an automobile horn, and as they entered the building they accidentally tripped over it and set off the alarm.

The burglar, frightened by the alarm, ran pell-mell out of the office with a small radio in his arms, and dashed squarely into the two youths. They quickly overpowered him and were taking him to the Bobbett home to notify police when he leaped into the irrigation ditch and escaped. Police said the burglar had piled on the floor of the office several articles which he apparently planned to steal, but had grabbed only the radio in his haste to get out of the building when the alarm sounded.

The burglar was described by young Bobbett to police as being about 40 years old, six feet tall and wearing a gray suit, a dark hat and a small mustache.

6 Per Cent Profit Limit Sought for Corporations

Washington, Sept. 25.—(P)—Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau announced today that treasury experts had begun drafting a proposed bill to limit corporation profits to 6 percent.

Following up his recommendation for such a limit before a congressional committee, the secretary told a press conference that he set his aides to work this morning putting the idea into legal language for presentation to congress.

"We have started drafting this proposal and will be ready whenever congress wants to get to work on it," he said.

Morgenthau indicated, however, that he preferred to present the idea as a tax bill before the house ways and means committee rather than as a rider to the price control legislation being considered by the house banking committee. He expressed the idea for the first time in testifying on the price bill.

The drafting task of his experts, Morgenthau explained, is to surround the idea of a 6 per cent limit on corporation profits with other provisions to make the proposed law as fair as possible to different kinds of business firms.

600,000 MORE TO HEAR ARMY CALL BY LAST OF JUNE

New York, Sept. 25.—(P)—Brig. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, national selective service director, said in an interview today that tentative war department plans call for the induction of 600,000 more men into the army by next June 30.

In Washington, army officials said that no marked increase in the strength of the land forces was contemplated. The 600,000 mentioned by Hershey, army officials said, would approximately take care of several new triangular and armored divisions now planned. However, the bulk would be merely replacements for men to be discharged under the recently adopted policy of releasing men as rapidly as their training can be completed.

Authoritative sources have stated that the army is expected to stabilize at approximately 1,750,000 men.

The strength of the land forces today was put at 1,599,500.

Budget Committee In First Meeting

The Jackson county budget committee held its first session this morning and named Edward Carlton chairman and Henry G. Enders, Jr., Ashland, secretary. The board also includes H. A. Thierolf, Medford, and members of the county court. It was the earliest meeting of the county budget committee in several years.

Neutrality Repeal Effort Expected to Heat Senate

TOMMY CARLTON'S HEREFORD STEER IS GRAND CHAMP

Upper Rogue River Boy, Aged 11, Wins Coveted Honor at 4-H Stock Show

By Maude Pool
Mail Tribune Special Writer.

Tommy Carlton, 11, came down from Upper Rogue River as a lone exhibitor and with "Mickey," his thousand-pound Hereford steer, walked away with the grand championship of the beef show at the fourth annual 4-H livestock show opening its second day at the fairgrounds this forenoon.

Tommy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carlton, and a second year club member, was noticeably reserved about the whole thing, even though he upstaged the Lake Creek-Antelope apple cart, these winners in two previous years coming in today for some stiff competition.

Tommy's calf is 15 months old, and won by a close margin over "Nigger," 820-pound reserve champion Angus owned by Bill Ousterhout, of Little Butte. Bill is taking in Freshman week at Oregon State college, and his steer was exhibited by his brother, Lawrence. Competition was keen in the beef classes this morning. Harry Lindgren of Oregon State college acted as judge.

Other Winners

Other top winners this morning were Harold Walch, Antelope, and Kathryn Walch, Lake Creek, in baby beef divisions with steers 10 to 15 months old. Cora Bigham placed first in the 900-pound class. Judging of market pens was being completed at noon, with judging of dairy stock scheduled this afternoon.

Tomorrow marks the final day of the show and will feature demonstration contests in the morning, and the auction sale beginning at 1:30 p. m. which will climax the three-day event.

(More about 4-H Show on Pages 2 and 12.)

31 GIVEN TICKETS IN TRAFFIC CHECK

In a four-hour traffic check Wednesday on the Crater Lake and Jacksonville highways, state police made 31 arrests for various violations of the traffic laws. A total of 370 vehicles of all descriptions were stopped.

Victims of the citations are scheduled to appear in Medford and Jacksonville justice of the peace courts within the next few days.

Six Army Planes Wrecked In Filming Picture, Claim

Washington, Sept. 25.—(P)—Senator Tobey (R-N.H.) laid before a senate committee today charges that motion picture companies had been granted the free use of army personnel, bombers and equipment and in one instance had "deliberately wrecked six or more government planes for picture purposes."

These charges were contained, Tobey told a senate interstate commerce subcommittee, in information furnished to him by Aubrey Blair, whom he identified as a former secretary of the Screen Actors Guild.

Blair complained, Tobey said, "a" in the making of a picture entitled "Captured," in 1936, army personnel at March field had been dressed in German army uniforms to take part in the film. Blair also charged, the committee heard, that army

Dodgers Clinch National Flag With 6 to 0 Win

Boston, Sept. 25.—(P)—The Brooklyn Dodgers today won the National league pennant, defeating the Braves 6 to 0 behind Whitlow Wyatt's five-hit pitching as the Pirates defeated the Cardinals.

This gave Brooklyn 99 victories against 53 defeats with two games left to play while St. Louis has won 96 and lost 55, trailing by 2½ games with two games to go.

Thus ended one of the most furious pennant fights in the history of the National league, which seldom in the last 20 years has had first place decided until the final week of the season.

From the second week of the campaign the Dodgers and Cardinals seasawed in and out of the lead with neither of them ever worse than second.

Scores:
Brooklyn 6 9 0
Boston 0 5 4
Wyatt and Owen; Earley, Johnson and Berres, Maas.

New York 3 7 1
Philadelphia 2 9 1
Carpenter and O'Dea; Podgajny, Johnson and Warren.

St. Louis 1 5 0
Pittsburgh 3 6 1
White, Warneke and Mancuso, W. Cooper, Butcher and Lopez.

JURORS CHOSEN FOR U. S. COURT SESSIONS HERE

The names of 35 grand jurors and 40 trial jurors chosen for the fall term of U. S. district court opening here Tuesday, October 7, were listed in a Portland newspaper today.

The grand jurors, ordered to report in federal court here at 10 a. m. October 7, were given as follows:

Lee R. Allen, clerk; B. H. Bauer, lumber merchant; Ernest Bidden, shoemaker; Charles Boyden, surveyor; Robert Buckles, gas fitter; Charles S. Butterfield, real estate man; Elmer Childers, contractor; Kenneth Childers, bank clerk; Grover C. Corum, salesman; Fred L. Dinsmore, farmer; Frank L. Earhart, farmer; Edward J. Feldman, merchant; Van R. Gilbert, meat cutter; Herbert G. Grey, advertising manager; William B. Hamilton, Jr., accountant; C. A. Hamlin, hide buyer; Oliver L. Overmyer, lumberman; Frank E. Redden, collector, and Verl G. Walker, all of Medford.

George B. Bruchman, farmer; W. C. Carnahan, service station operator; John H. Emge, farmer; Fred H. Grant, farmer; W. M. Hayes, farmer; W. D. Holman, farmer; and Herbert J. Dillingham, service station operator, all of Grants Pass; C. W. Campbell, miner, O'Brien; Ray Coleman, merchant; Jacksonville; R. H. Dopp, carpenter, Central Point; George J. Elliott, laborer, Central Point; William D. Fenner, service station operator, Wonder; Harry Heryford, Butte Falls; Arthur S. Kleinhammer, merchant, Jacksonville; Alexander H. Pracht, retired, Ashland, and W. H. Swain, farmer, Eagle Point.

The trial jurors, ordered to report at 10 a. m. October 9, were listed as follows:

Cleo Brenner, real estate man; Homer J. Bringle, real estate man; Harold Bunce, line man; E. W. Corley, photographer; Lionel J. Cox, lumber clerk; John L. Detwiler, carpenter; Harry J. Field, merchant; Thomas K. Flynn, electrician; A. J. Hanby, retired teacher; Floyd H. Hart, lumberman; Jack M. Hartley, clerk; Weldon Hartley, farmer; George W. Howard,

ACT IN CONFLICT WITH SEA POLICY, M'KELLAR CLAIMS

Taft Says Repeal Equivalent To War Declaration—Sharp Senate Battle Seen

Washington, Sept. 25.—(P)—Senator McKellar (D. Tenn.) introduced in the senate today a resolution to repeal the neutrality act which bars the arming of American merchant ships and prevents them from entering combat zones.

Declaring that the act was "in direct conflict with our freedom of the seas policy," McKellar told his colleagues that the law ought to be repealed outright. The Tennessee senator has been a consistent supporter of the administration's foreign policy, but there was no immediate indication as to whether he introduced the repealer with the knowledge of senate leaders.

President Roosevelt said Tuesday that revision or repeal of the act was being studied, indicating that action might be forthcoming next week.

McKellar said he thought that while the law was on the statute books, the government was "paying virtually no attention to it" and for that reason it ought to be repealed.

Senator Taft (R., Ohio) expressed belief that repeal of the act would be "equivalent to a declaration of war."

"At the very least," he said to reporters, "it would grant the administration authority to carry on an undeclared war."

Taft foresaw a knock-down-and-drag-out battle in the senate against any repeal attempt—a forecast which few legislators disputed—and promised that he and other opponents of the administration's foreign policy would fight vigorously.

House Ready
However, Rep. Wadsworth (R., N. Y.)—believed that the house was ready to repeal or modify the law, and he voiced the hope that it would be "wiped off the statute books."

"In all our history," he told newsmen, "we fought for the right to sail the seven seas at will. In the neutrality act we surrendered that right. That always seemed to me morally wrong."

Both administration and opposition polls have indicated that President Roosevelt could obtain the senate's consent to modification of the act on this and other points. House leaders also forecast approval there.

retired; W. L. Miller, contractor; Ira C. Moss, merchant; H. F. Platt, merchant; Ray J. Schumacher, merchant; W. E. Thomas, investments, and E. G. Trowbridge, lumberman, all of Medford.

E. R. Camp, laborer; E. H. Harbeck, butcher; John B. Harris; John Hummel, tailor; W. M. Richardson, lineman, and Albert H. Schmidt, farmer, all of Grants Pass. Samuel J. Bailey, railroad employee, Ashland; Victor Bursell, farmer, Central Point; William H. Cain, Gold Hill; Edward Dalley, farmer, Kerby; U. Grant Davis, lumberman, Ashland; Cyrus G. Duncan, Central Point; August Erickson, farmer, and William H. Ferguson, laborer, Gold Hill; Harry E. Harding, painter, Trail; H. M. Hayden, service station operator, Kerby; Frank Henspeter, rancher, Jacksonville; Mark Krysto, miner, Galice; M. C. Lininger, merchant, Ashland; Fred Luy, farmer, Eagle Point, and L. A. Vestal, farmer, Eagle Point.

The panels from which the drawings were made appear to be somewhat out of date, for at least a few of the jurors listed no longer reside here. For example, Capt. Overmyer was recalled to active army duty months ago and took up residence in Philadelphia, Pa.