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News Behind The News
By Paul Mallon



Washington, May 26.—Mr. Roosevelt lightly rapped the knuckles of Vice President Wallace and his mis-named board of economic warfare again last week and told it to stop reaching deeper into the prerogatives of State Secretary Hull. Everyone outside has considered this argument an uninteresting technical dispute over power. Not much public attention was drawn to it.

In my opinion, the issues involved constitute the second most important story in Washington and the world. Down beneath the conflict in authority, it seems to me, is a basic fundamental difference of opinion as to procedure in the post-war world. The manner in which these two opposing forces are eventually aligned will determine the course of the world we live in for perhaps many generations.

The opposing forces do not yet admit that this fundamental conflict exists, but you can see it sticking out of their respective speeches as obvious as the Washington monument and Jefferson memorial. There is no need to go beyond their spoken official words to prove it.

In the first place neither side is thinking primarily about economic warfare. Mr. Wallace's primary interest is to prepare a plan for the post-war world. A few weeks back (May 9) he made a speech called "The Price of Free World Victory," which seems to be drawing considerable reprint publicity because of the attention it did NOT attract at the time.

In that speech, Mr. Wallace said a lot about liberty with which everyone agreed (no one is against world liberty anywhere in our realm so this point can be accepted as unanimously

'WPB' MEANING GIVEN BY SOLON

Washington, May 26.—(P)—Senator Smith (D., S. C.) says WPB means "we passed the buck."

His interpretation of the abbreviation for war production board was presented during a sub-committee hearing on the production of synthetic rubber. A witness had just related a story of fruitless effort to interest WPB in the construction of grain alcohol plants to provide the basis for rubber.

"The time has come to speak plainly," Smith said. "I think we ought to call a spade a spade. In fact, I don't care if you call it a damned old shovel."

COACH CALLED

Oregon City, May 26.—(P)—Bob Parke, Oregon City high school football coach and former University of Oregon football track star, has been called to duty as a physical training instructor with the army air corps. He will be stationed at Santa Ana, Calif.

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

(Pacific war time.)
Tonight talks—MBS 7:15, Secretary Ickes on "Petroleum Situation"; MBS 8, Paul V. McNutt on "Why We Must Win This War."
Wednesday—CBS 12:30, U. S. navy band; 2:30, discussion "When Hitler Surrenders"; MBS 8:30 a. m. Colonial orchestra.

SIDE GLANCES
BY TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Barbara Bigelow registering disgust after she was fooled the second time by an old joke.

Frank DeSouza and Joe Savoldi telling each other what great football teams Notre Dame turns out, the postmaster being even more vociferous than the former All-American Irish gridder himself.

U. S. DESTROYER TORPEDOED IN WATERS OFF MARTINIQUE

CRAFT ATTACKED WHILE ON PATROL IN FRENCH AREA

Ten Members of Crew Reported Missing—Six Injured—Ship Makes Port.

St. Lucia, British West Indies, May 26.—(P)—A torpedo fired from within the territorial waters of the French Island of Martinique damaged the United States destroyer Blakely Monday, but the warship reached Fort De France under her own power.

The destroyer was patrolling the waters near the French Island, where negotiations are currently under way between the United States and the French high commissioner, Admiral Georges Robert, concerning the military status of the Vichy-controlled possession.

Casualties aboard the craft were light. Ten members of the crew were reported missing and six injured.

The identity of the attacking submarine was not immediately learned, although it is known that German and Italian undersea craft have been active in the Caribbean for several weeks.

U. S. PLANES GOT NAZI U-BOAT OFF BRAZILIAN COAST

Fortaleza, Brazil, May 26.—(P)—A high source reported another enemy submarine was sunk off Recife today by a "B-18" presumably an American bomber.

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, May 26.—(P)—The sinking of a German submarine by United States patrol planes off the northeast Brazilian coast near the city of Aracaty last Saturday afternoon was "absolutely" confirmed today by a high source.

Aracaty is 85 miles east of Fortaleza.

A high source earlier said it was understood that more than one submarine was attacked in the battle off Fortaleza in which the submarine was sunk.

This source said the sinking was confirmed by "the appearance of huge quantities of oil and wreckage on the ocean surface shortly after a plane dropped its entire bomb cargo on the submarine."

He said a plane "containing Sergeant J. G. Yates first sighted the submarine," but refused to specify whether this was the plane that sank the submarine.

The anti-submarine attacks by United States forces were part of a great activity off Brazil's northeast coast, including an assault on another Brazilian merchantman by a submarine and the expected arrival of survivors from an unidentified vessel.

As a result, Brazil increased her defense preparations.

CORVALLIS COACH TO KLAMATH NEXT YEAR

Klamath Falls, May 26.—(P)—Frank Ramsey, coach last year at Corvallis High school, will become head football coach at Klamath Union High school this fall, the school board announced last night.

Ramsey, a graduate of Oregon State college, will succeed Kenneth "Buck" Hammer who has accepted a coaching job at Longview, Wash., high school. Ramsey coached second-string football here in 1933.

Fires, storms and insects each year destroy 7 billion board feet of standing timber in he United States.



Lieut. Robert G. Emmens

Heavy Bond Purchases Back Medford Airman

Back Bob Emmens With a Bond week opened yesterday in Jackson county with a spirit of sincerity and gratitude to the youthful Medford flier who participated in the May 18 bombing raid on Tokyo. W. A. Gates, county general chairman of the war bond sales campaign, expressed today his satisfaction in the manner Jackson county citizens are responding to the sales campaign.

Designation of Bob Emmens Bond week was announced Sunday by Mr. Gates as a means for Jackson county residents to substantially show their gratitude to Lieut. Robert G. Emmens. Today Mr. Gates announced that the week's campaign should be a "record-breaker" with Jackson county citizens participating wholeheartedly in the campaign with pride that a local resident had taken part in the epic-making raid.

The bond table at the Medford branch of the First National bank of Portland was so busy yesterday that workers ran out of small denominational bonds. However more will be on hand tomorrow to take care of the increased bond sales. In the meantime workers were taking orders for the bonds and deliveries will be made upon arrival of the applications.

At the U. S. National bank workers stated that bond sales were largest for one day since the sale of bonds was organized in the county. Good news also came from the post office where unusually heavy sales were reported at the bond windows.

In order that the campaign may run a full week Mr. Gates stated that Monday, June 1, will be included in the bond sale week to compensate for the holiday Saturday. Monday the bond workers will again be stationed at the banks and stores for the convenience of Medford residents.

Mr. Gates said, "The response is very gratifying and everyone who can possibly arrange to should purchase a bond this week as a tribute to Bob."

150 IRIS VARIETIES IN CLUB'S DISPLAY

One hundred and fifty named varieties of iris are on display at the Medford Garden club exhibit in the Sixth street lobby of the Hotel Holland. The show will be open until 8:30 o'clock tonight and all day Wednesday until 8 p. m. Also on display is an outstanding collection of Oriental poppies. Mrs. L. G. Gentner, club president, announced. The public is invited.

VICHY MOVES TO TURN FLEET OVER TO ADOLF HITLER

Agree To Permit Nazi Sailors To Learn Operation Of Powerful French Warcraft

By Roger D. Greene (Associated Press War Editor)
France has taken a first definite step toward turning the French fleet over to Adolf Hitler, London advices indicated today, amid reports of new Italian demands for prized French territorial possessions including Tunisia, Nice and Corsica.

By agreement between Vichy and Berlin, it was said, German sailors will be permitted to "familiarize" themselves with the operation of French warships in a move foreshadowing Nazi seizure of France's still powerful naval forces.

Meanwhile, Britain's former war secretary, Leslie Hore-Belisha, asserted that the successful establishment of a second front in Europe might end the war this year.

While Britons clamored for direct action, Hore-Belisha declared: "A stern struggle is in progress around Kharkov. We have promised to intervene to relieve our Russian ally. The psychological moment may come, beyond which we must not delay if our action is to turn the scale."

Nazis Suffer Losses

On the fighting front, soviet headquarters reported that Hitler's mechanized armies were suffering heavy losses in tanks and men in an attempt to flank the Russians in the 15-day-old battle of Kharkov.

The Russians declared they had repulsed a violent German surprise attack led by 150 tanks in the Izum-Barvenkova sector, 80 miles south of Kharkov, while Marshal Semeon Timoshenko's main armies pressed on toward Kharkov itself.

Dispatches to Red Star, soviet army newspaper, said Russian shock troops had broken a line of German pill-boxes and trenches before Kharkov in attacks with hand grenades and bayonets.

Red Star said the Germans now were attempting to fortify a few series of natural defense positions to check the onslaught. A bulletin from Hitler's field headquarters said a gigantic battle of encirclement against the Russians was "in full swing" on the southern flank.

22'S, SHOTGUNS FREED BY WPB

Washington, May 26.—(P)—Small-gauge shotguns, odd-caliber and certain .22 caliber rifles and other types of firearms not needed by the armed forces or for other essential purposes were released by the war production board today for general sale to the public.

All stocks of such weapons have been frozen since February 27.

Under the amended order certain guns and pistols are classified as "defense pistols" or "defense rifles" and "defense shotguns" and, as such, may not be sold except with WPB permission, for federal, state or local government use, for lease purposes, or for military priority ratings, or to the defense supplies corporation.

ON TRIAL AGAIN

Klamath Falls, May 26.—(P)—The second trial of George Parks on a charge of murdering Dr. Salem A. David during a holdup at the Buffalo lunch room here March 18, 1941, was underway here today. The first trial ended in a jury deadlock February 28.

GAS RATIONING TO BEGIN JULY 1, IS OPA AGENT'S WORD

June 1 Plan Only Temporary Arrangements Asserts Regional Representative.

Seattle, May 26.—(AP)—Phillips Dickinson, regional field representative of the fuel-rationing branch of OPA, said today that as far as he knew the plans for gasoline rationing for Washington and Oregon which were set some time ago to start about July 1 would go ahead as scheduled.

He explained that the card-rationing plan set to start June 1, which was cancelled last night by the OPA in Washington, was only a temporary or "emergency" arrangement.

The "final plan," he explained further, had been planned all along to start about the first of July.

"As far as I know," he said, "this will go ahead as scheduled." (At Boston today, Secretary Ickes said in an interview that Administrator Leon Henderson was planning a new gasoline rationing system effective July 1 which "won't have so many loopholes as now.")

Dickinson said he understood that the July 1 plan would affect the entire nation and that a system of coupon books, rather than cards, would be used.

TEXAS LAD BEST IN SPELLING BEE

Washington, May 26.—(P)—Richard Earnhart, 11-year-old student in the 7th grade of Coldwell school at El Paso, Tex., won the 18th national spelling bee today by knowing "acquiesced" and "sacriligious."

Mary Margaret Montgomery, of Des Moines, put an "S" instead of a "C" into "acquiesced" after nearly four hours of calm facing dozens of multi-syllabic tongue twisters and had to be content with second place.

Third place went to Hazel M. LaPrade of Worcester, Mass., who spelled "paucity" with an "S."

The winner will receive \$500 and a trip to New York.

Second place will get \$300 and third place \$100.

OPEN ALL NIGHT

Portland, Ore., May 26.—(P)—A window of Betty Olsen's apartment is open around the clock, no matter what the weather. It all began on balmy day when a robin built a nest on the sill. Now there's a family of three noisy, hungry youngsters.

New Soldier Pay Measure Given Committee Approval

Washington, May 26.—(AP)—The senate military committee today approved a soldiers' allotment and allowance bill authorizing the selective service system and local boards to classify men and local boards to classify men with wives and children into categories to determine the order of calling them for army duty.

The bill, different from one already approved by the house military committee and awaiting passage of the new army pay bill before it is taken up, provides for deduction of \$22 monthly from the enlisted man's pay with the government matching this with a \$28 contribution to provide his wife with \$50 for living expenses. The government would

BASEBALL

National			
	R.	H.	E.
New York	2	6	0
Boston	4	9	3
Melton, Koslo, Adams and Danning; Javery and Klutz.			
American			
	R.	H.	E.
Boston	2	6	1
New York	9	13	0
Dobson, Butland and Conroy; Donald and Dickey, Rosar.			
	R.	H.	E.
Washington	8	13	0
Philadelphia	3	11	1
Sundra and Early; Harris, Besse and Wagner.			

CHINESE SUFFER NEW REVERSES IN CHEKIANG DEFENSE

By the Associated Press
China's grim battle to stave off Japanese conquest of Chekiang province on the China east coast, springboard for a potential allied offensive against Japan, suffered new reverses today while far to the west the last British defenders of Burma were reported to have withdrawn into India.

Chinese headquarters acknowledged that Japanese troops, estimated at 100,000, had advanced within two miles of the ancient walled city of Kihwa, the Chekiang provisional capital.

Chinese dispatches said the Japanese assault on Kihwa had been thrown back with heavy casualties, but acknowledged that "the situation is still very grave and the coming week will witness even fiercer battles."

Air Power Tells

Once again, a Chinese spokesman indicated that Japanese aerial superiority was playing havoc with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's armies, declaring that "the enemy is continually bombing us in relays."

Chinese dispatches said the enemy was preparing another campaign, perhaps even bigger in scope, in Fukien province which borders Chekiang to the south.

Japanese troop transports and warships were reported massing at the Japanese island of Formosa, across the Formosa strait from the Fukien coast.

In the battle for Australia, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced that allied bombers blasted their way through Japanese interception squadrons to pound anew at enemy airbases at Rabaul, New Britain, and Lae, New Guinea. Four Japanese planes were reported shot down.

DEFENSE VOLUNTEERS

New York, May 26.—(P)—The second civilian defense region office said today that 7,286,158 persons had enrolled as civilian defense volunteers in the nation as of April 1, representing a gain of 1,081,567 since March 1.

The service man would pay 35 cents a month per \$1,000 for the insurance and the government the remainder of the premium. For \$10,000 this would amount to about \$3.50 for the service man and about \$3.00 for the government.

As the committee acted, strong bi-partisan opposition developed against any congressional move to draft men in the 18-19 year age classes for military service.

98 GIRLS, 96 BOYS IN MEDFORD HIGH GRADUATION CLASS

Baccalaureate Services Sunday—Commencement Exercises Set For June 4.

Closing days of school at Medford senior high will be busy ones for the 98 girls and 96 boys in graduating class, according to Principal Leonard B. Mayfield, in announcing the schedule of the traditional events.

Baccalaureate services will be held Sunday, May 31, at 8 p. m. in the high school auditorium with the Rev. Wolford Dawes of the local Baptist church as principal speaker, and the Rev. Karl Brockhaus of Medford Zion English Lutheran church as presiding minister.

Commencement exercises will also be held in the high school auditorium Thursday, June 4, at 8 p. m. Speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Dan Poling, contacts representative for the state system of higher education. Baccalaureate services are open to the public but admission to commencement will be by ticket only.

Practices Scheduled

Two baccalaureate practices have been scheduled for the seniors, who are requested either to report to them personally or arrange for a substitute. First of these practices will be May 27, at 9:55 a. m. in the boys' gymnasium, and the final one May 29, at 2:30 p. m., also

F.D.R. UNEXCITED BY RUBBER LACK

Washington, May 26.—(P)—Declaring that he thought there was not much in the situation to get excited about, President Roosevelt asserted today that he thought substitutes could be worked out for tires now in use before they wear out completely.

At the same time, he said he expected to have a report shortly on the possibility of using a pipe line proposed for construction across north Florida as a means of relieving the gasoline shortage in the east.

Asked at a press conference whether anything was being done to develop a supply of synthetic rubber beyond military needs, Mr. Roosevelt commented on the need for buses to take people to and from work. He said work was in progress on two or three kinds of tires which inquire no rubber. He said he thought that if people got them, and drove them 25 or 30 miles an hour, they could get to town all right.

Goal Gland Doctor Succumbs in Sleep

San Antonio, Tex., May 26.—(AP)—Death today closed the turbulent medical, political and oratorical career of Dr. John Richard Brinkley, 55, rejuvenation surgeon known popularly as "the goat gland doctor."

Dr. Brinkley died in his sleep of a heart ailment which followed the amputation of a leg in Kansas City several months ago.

Sex-rejuvenation and life-lengthening treatments alleged to have been offered through the mails by the colorful, goateed surgeon—three times candidate for governor of Kansas—last September brought a federal indictment against him in Little Rock.

Denmark sold the Virgin Islands to the United States in 1917.