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THREE NAZI SPEARHEADS STAB DEEP

News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

Washington, July 14. — The only second front, which good unofficial advisers here can see, is a straightaway military onslaught against the occupied European coast nearest Britain, from Denmark to Brest.

Paul Mallon

Clubroom speculation concerns other more interesting methods. Seizure of Norway and Sweden for air bases, for instance, would put British and American bombers right on top of Berlin.

The nazis have not well defended their idle northern battlefront. Invasion there would enlist sympathetic co-operation of inhabitants and put the first battlefield about as far away from German as British home bases.

However, Hitler might thwart such a step by throwing ten divisions into Norway, and there is some reason to believe he is prepared to do just that.

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A SIMULTANEOUS thrust through the Mediterranean at Rommel's rear base of supplies in Libya is likewise one to stir imaginations. The movement of a strong naval fighting force to head large convoys of American troops into that area, fighting its way as it went, is good mainly for parlor discussions.

If a landing could be effected in Sicily and Tripoli, in sufficient force, Rommel could be smashed in short order from two sides, and the way cleared for invasion of sleepy Italy. The rub about this seems to be acquiring the sufficient force.

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THE west coast of France, below Brest, also has been talked (all this is unofficial, of course) as a place to strike. The idea behind this suggestion is that Hitler's transplanted Magi-

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COLONEL TROWER IS ORDERED HERE

Portland, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—Lt. Colonel W. P. Trower, commandant of the 29th engineers, disclosed today he had been transferred to Camp White near Medford. Capt. W. B. Stelzenmuller, adjutant of the 29th, will accompany Col. Trower to Medford where both will be assigned to another engineering regiment.

Capt. Raymond Moore will succeed Col. Trower here temporarily.

Maj. Theron Bean of the army engineers at Camp White said that Lt. Colonel Trower and Capt. Stelzenmuller were expected to arrive here within the next week. They will be attached to the 91st infantry division or post headquarters, he stated.

Radio Highlights

(Pacific War Time)

Tonight—CBS, 5:30,, Nature of the Enemy, Count Ciano; 6:30, Cheers from Camps, Ft. Riley, Kan.; 7:30, Secretary Ickes Bastille Day Talk.

MBS — 6:30, Justice Hugo Black at Win-the-War ralley, Raleigh, N. C.

Wednesday—Blue, 11:45, discussion, "Physical Values of Rationing." MBS — 11:30, Camp Grant in Review; 2:30, Massachusetts handicap at Suffolk Downs.

SIDE GLANCES

BY TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Jeunesse "Sally" Butler back to Medford after an extended trip to the east, sporting green bows in her hair

GERMAN COLUMNS HOLD SUPERIORITY IN MEN, MACHINES

Sweep to Industrialized Lower Volga and Isolation of Caucasus Threatened.

By Clyde A. Farnsworth
(Associated Press War Editor)

Three German columns, superior to the Russians in the number of men and machines, were stabbing their way today into the northern neck of the Caucasian area, threatening at once a sweep to the industrialized lower Volga and isolation of the entire Caucasus.

Red Star, the Russian army newspaper, characterized the offensive as a mighty race for victory before a second European front could be opened.

"The Germans want to defeat us before our allies can land on the continent," Red Star said.

The Russians, acknowledging the threat to Stalingrad on the Volga as the deepest penetration of Russian soil so far, said that the enemy had gained ground to the south of Boguchar, which would place the German spearheads either on the fringe of or actually within the so-called north Caucasan area. This extends northward between the Ukraine and the Stalingrad area.

Axis reports on this phase of the battle of the Don basin placed the fighting well within the north Caucasan area, at Migulinsk, 30 miles down the Don from Boguchar and about 160 miles northwest of Stalingrad.

Coinciding with observance of Bastille day there were reports in London of German preparations against invasion of the Netherlands, Belgium and France, and the British press increased its clamor for a second front to aid the battered red armies.

It seemed more than ever that only a great diversion aflank or at the rear, or sheer German exhaustion in the task of beating down the resistance of the red army could curb or halt Hitler's all-out effort.

By comparison with the threatening disaster in the battle of Russia, outstanding developments in other war zones, such as the repulse of another eastward lunge by axis forces in Egypt and an overnight RAF raid in the customary strong fashion on industrial objectives in Germany's Ruhr valley, verged on the inconsequential.

The Russians, once successful in winter counter-offensives that rectified the vast battleline to their advantage, seemed unable to seize the initiative save in isolated sectors, as illustrated by today's Moscow reports that the Germans had been put on the defensive in a sector of the Kalinin front, northwest of Moscow, while the Germans ploughed toward the Volga and the Caucasus on the south.

Russian reports said that a German attempt at "vertical envelopment" of Russian positions northwest of Moscow with airborne troops had been liquidated, with many of them shot down before landing and the remainder wiped out aground.

LIST LODGINGS IS PLEA FROM C. OF C.

With arrival of hundreds of officers and enlisted personnel for Camp White the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce today renewed the plea for listing of housing. The statement stressed that those intending to move soon from a house or apartment should notify the chamber. It was also stated that single persons should arrange to share their lodgings with others similarly placed in order to release one housing unit.

The chamber statement said "the incoming men and their families are ordered to Camp White and have no choice in the matter."

The USO also joined in the plea for listing of available lodgings as many enlisted men are seeking places for their families.

Accused Saboteurs Given Trial

Four of the eight men on trial before a military commission in Washington, D. C., accused of being Nazi spies sit along a wall and listen to the proceedings. Left to right: Werne Thiel, alias John Thomas, 34; Richard Quirin, 34; an unidentified army officer; Herman O. Neubauer, 32; and Edward John Kerlinc, 33. This photo was made at the beginning of the third day of the trial by the U. S. Army Signal corps and was released by the Office of War Information.

Young Mother Held for Ax Slaying of Her Mother-in-Law

Bremerton, Wash., July 14—(AP)—First taken into custody because of her strange action in the water of Puget sound, a young mother of two children was held in the city jail today in connection with the ax slaying of her mother-in-law.

Mrs. Evangeline Button, 24, was booked for murder for the death of Mrs. Annabella Button, 53, of Longview, only a few feet from where the former's six-month-old baby lay in his buggy.

The younger woman has been subject to irrational spells ever since the birth of their second child, the husband, R. Vernon Button, Jr., told Police Chief Arthur N. Morken. The chief said he was informed by the distraught husband and son that the elder Mrs. Button had come to live with them because his wife's condition was such that physicians had recommended her placement in an institution.

Police Lieut. Ted Phillips discovered the tragedy when he went to the house to investigate after Mrs. Button was taken into custody after she had waded out to her chin in Port Washington narrows fully dressed, stood there for a considerable time, and then returned to shore. She was incoherent in most of her speech.

BLAZE DESTROYS RUCH RESIDENCE

The six-room, two-story frame dwelling owned by Mrs. Anna Ruch, of Ruch, and occupied by the Clifford Johnston family, burned to the ground near the Ruch store about 6 p. m. Monday. Cause of the fire was not immediately learned.

Some bedding, furniture and clothing were saved, but the woodshed was destroyed along with the house.

It was understood that insurance was carried on the dwelling but not on the furniture and personal effects of the occupants.

Negro Companies Due at Camp Wednesday

Two organized companies of Negro soldiers from Ft. Lewis, totalling approximately 200 men, are scheduled to arrive at Camp White Wednesday night for temporary duty with the 91st Infantry Division, Major General Charles H. Gerhardt's headquarters announced today.

The troops, comprising truck and service companies, are members of a housekeeping detachment at Ft. Lewis. They will be transferred from Camp White upon completion of their work.

Bund Secretary Admits Plot To Hinder Arming

New York, July 14—(AP)—William Luedtke, 39-year-old national secretary of the German-American Bund, acknowledged a federal charge of conspiracy to counsel Bundists to refuse to serve in the armed forces and violate the alien registration law today by changing his earlier plea of innocent to guilty.

Luedtke, one of the Bund's top-ranking executives, was indicted with 28 others last week in the government's announced drive to smash the Bund. At his own request, he was brought before Federal Judge Bascom S. Beaver today to change his plea.

All but one of the 29 had entered innocent pleas previously. They are scheduled to go on trial July 28.

As a result of his plea, Luedtke faces a maximum of seven years imprisonment and fines totaling $20,000 as well as denaturalization.

He is a naturalized citizen, born in Danzig. His home was listed as Saddle River Township, N. J., where he is a baker.

Births During June Set County Record; Stork Delivers 76

The stork delivered 76 babies to proud parents in this area during June, 46 more than in the same 1941 period and the largest number for one month since the inauguration of birth records in 1911.

Dr. L. D. Inskeep, registrar for primary registration district number 5, which includes Medford, Jacksonville, Phoenix, Central Point and Eagle Point, said that May of this year also showed a sharp increase in the number of births over May in 1941, 60 being born to 41 last year.

Dr. Inskeep wouldn't venture an opinion as to the reason for sudden increase in the number of local births.

General Gerhardt Is Welcomed by Rotary

Major General Charles H. Gerhardt was elected to membership of the Rotary club at its weekly luncheon-meeting in Hotel Medford this noon, and gave a short talk on military phases at Camp White. Major General Gerhardt is commander of the 91st Infantry Division.

In Medford—Among Medford visitors yesterday and today were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jenkins of Klamath Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Ellsworth and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Knapp of Roseburg. Mr. Jenkins is editor of the Klamath News and Herald and Mr. Knapp, a former Medford resident, is a member of the Roseburg News Review business staff. Mr. Ellsworth, editor of the Roseburg News Review, addressed members of Pro America last evening at the Hotel Holland.

MILITARY RITES IN PARK TONIGHT

Company A, first Infantry of the Oregon State guard will receive its company guidon at a public ceremony to be held tonight at 8:45 o'clock in the city park. The infantry will assemble at the armory at 8 o'clock and will march to the city park at 8:30 o'clock under the leadership of non-commissioned officers.

At the park the ceremony will be under the direction of commissioned officers, who will make the presentation of the company guidon. The line of march will be south on Bartlett street to West Main street to the city park. On the return march the infantry will parade east on Main street to Bartlett where the Ashland Kiltie band will disband. The troops will continue south on Bartlett to the home of Sergeant Miller for refreshments.

ALCOHOL RUBBER BESTOW. PROSPECT, ASSERTS NELSON

WPB Chairman Tells Senate Committee Most Elastic From Alcohol Next Year.

Washington, July 14—(AP)—The war production board expects to get more synthetic rubber from alcohol sources than from petroleum in 1943, Chairman Donald M. Nelson told a senate agriculture subcommittee today.

Nelson said facilities were available to produce in excess of the 200,000 tons of elastic which had been assigned to the alcohol process in a program estimated to produce 800,000 tons yearly.

"We will get more rubber from alcoholic sources in 1943 than from petroleum," he testified.

Joy Riding Out

Nelson testified that the country's maximum production of synthetic rubber, based on the amount of materials which could be made available for that purpose without taking them away from other essential military uses, was covered in the 800,000-ton program.

Senator Norris (Ind-Neb) protested that this appeared to preclude the development of additional processes, but Nelson insisted that technological investigation was being pushed.

The WPB chairman reiterated that despite speeded efforts to increase synthetic production pleasure automobile driving was out for the war's duration as tires would be available only for military needs and essential civilian use.

Vichy Rejects U. S. Proposals to Move Demilitarized Ships

Washington, July 14—(AP)—Acting Secretary of State Welles disclosed today that the Vichy government had rejected two proposals by President Roosevelt for the removal of demilitarized French warships from the Egyptian war zone.

The seven warships involved were demilitarized, by agreement with the British, shortly after the fall of France in 1940 and since then have remained in the British naval bases at Alexandria.

President Roosevelt, Welles said, proposed to Vichy on July 3, that the warships be moved through the Suez canal under the protective custody of the United States and sailed to an American port, or some neutral port, for internment until the end of the war.

Appointed

George A. Codding

CODDING IS NAMED SPECIAL ATTORNEY FOR GOVERNMENT

George A. Codding, Medford lawyer and former Jackson county district attorney, has been appointed special attorney under the United States attorney general in connection with the acquisition by the government of land for the Medford cantonment and other defense projects in Oregon.

Notification of the appointment was contained in a telegram to Codding from Norman M. Littell, assistant attorney general. The appointment is effective immediately.

Among other duties Codding, who will be under the supervision of Barnard H. Ramsey of Portland, in charge of the government's acquisition of all lands in Oregon for defense projects, will assist the United States district attorney in trying the various condemnation suits involving land-owners on the Camp White site, who are not satisfied with prices offered for options on their property. The cases will be tried in federal court here this fall.

Headquarters of the government's special attorney will be in Medford, 212 Liberty building. Codding said his appointment would not interfere with his private law practice.

The telegram informed Codding that a detailed letter of instructions, travel authorization, eminent domain manual of procedure, supplies and equipment were being dispatched to him.

State yield of revenue from motor fuel taxation totalled $915 million in 1941, 25 per cent of all state tax collections.

MARRIED MEN ON LAST DRAFT CALL, BOARDS ARE TOLD

Headquarters Issues New Ruling on Deferments—Essential Activities Listed

Washington, July 14—(AP)—Draft headquarters specifically directed local boards today to call up married men last, taking single war workers before husbands and fathers.

The local boards were instructed by orders sent out last night to fill their quotas in this order:

1. Single men with no dependents;
2. Single men who do not contribute to the war effort but who have dependents;
3. Single men with dependents and who contribute to the war effort;
4. Married men without children who are not engaged in the war effort;
5. Married men without children who are engaged in the war effort;
6. Married men living with wife and children or children only and who are not engaged in the war effort;
7. Married men living with wife and children or children only who are engaged in the war effort.

Activities Listed

To be classed as a married man a registrant must have been married before Dec. 8, 1941, and must be living with his wife or children.

To guide local boards on whether or not a man is engaged in the war effort, draft headquarters issued a list of 34 essential activities.

In granting deferment for occupational reasons the board must first decide whether a man is engaged in one of those activities and then determine that his particular job makes him a "necessary man."

Also, the firm in which he is employed must be fulfilling a war contract, performing a government service or a service necessary to civilian life in support of the war effort, or he must be supplying material for such firms.

The essential activities were: Production of aircraft and parts; ships, boats and parts; ordnance and accessories; ammunition; agriculture; food processing; forestry, logging and lumbering; construction; coal mining; metal mining; nonmetallic mining and processing and quarrying; smelting, refining and rolling metals; production of metal shapes and forgings; finishing of Metal Products; production of industrial and agricultural equipment; machinery; chemicals and allied products; textiles; apparel; stone, clay and glass products; petroleum, natural-gas and petroleum and coal products; transportation equipment; transportation services; materials for packing and shipping products; Communications services; communications equipment; heating, power and illuminating services; repair and handtrade services (blacksmithing, armature rewinding, electrical and bicycle repair, automobile repair, harness and leather repair, clock repair, tool repair and sharpening); health and welfare services; educational services; governmental services.

DROWNS IN POOL

Walla Walla, Wash., July 14—(AP)—Tommy Ackerman, 3½ year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ackerman, drowned when he wandered into the unfenced city wading pool here yesterday.

BASEBALL

American

Score:	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	0	3	1
New York	3	6	0

Benton and Parsons; Borowy and Rosar.

National

Philadelphia	2	3	0
Cincinnati	1	7	2

Melton and Warren; Starr, Beggs and Lammano.

Bastille Day Brings Added Misery For People Under Hitlerite Heel

By The Associated Press

The Marseillaise, battle song of the French revolutionists, was discreetly hummed today on the streets of Vichy but in London, headquarters of the free French, and elsewhere in the free world it was a swelling chorus.

Today was Bastille day, the 153d anniversary of the birth of the French revolution—the third such anniversary of a France conquered and seeking a way of life with the conqueror and of a France whose leader, General Charles de Gaulle, declares that only a battle — not the war—has been lost.

The de Gaullist, or free French, movement now has been officially re-named "La France combattante"—fighting France.

A grim accompaniment to this Bastille day, re-illustrating the way of the conqueror were new Gestapo rules for Frenchmen and a London announcement by the Yugoslav government in exile that 700 Croats had been killed in reprisals following assassination of the Gestapo chief of Zagreb

In occupied France the Gestapo circulated notification that grand-fathers, brothers, cousins and even brothers-in-law of saboteurs who refuse to surrender within 10 days of their act would be executed and mothers, grandmothers and sisters sentenced to hard labor.

Persons of those classifications and yet under 18 would be sent to "reform schools."

A hand grenade thrown into his automobile ended the career of Zagreb's "Heydrich," a Major Helm, a Yukoslav spokesman said. The killing of Reinhard Heydrich, Gestapo chief of Bohemia and Moravia, cost about 1,200 Czech lives in reprisal and Yugoslavs expressed fear of action in kind in Croatia and elsewhere in dismembered Yugoslavia.

"The Gestapo guards ran amuk after the bombing," the spokesman said, "shooting at everyone moving on the streets and hurling hand grenades through nearby windows.

"During the day the Germans rounded up almost all persons in the immediate neighborhood and shot them."

German occupation authorities in The Netherlands were reported to have put that country on an "invasion footing" and to have enforced new defense precautions in Belgium and northern France. This coincided with an increasing clamor in the British press for the opening of a second front to relieve Russia.

Londoners turned out by the cheering thousands to join the fighting French on their national holiday. French commandos, chasseurs, Alpins and French naval air and women's auxiliary units topped the London program, with a review before General de Gaulle.

A Bastille day message from President Roosevelt was published by the New York French language newspaper, Pour La Victore. "On this anniversary which has so deep a signifance to every lover of democracy," the president wrote. "I express the hope that the people of France may soon enjoy the blessings of liberty, equality and fraternity."