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Kelly's Comment
From Washington, D. C.
Supply Service Lacks Efficiency
Cannery Facing Lack of Cans
Frozen Foods On Increase
By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., Oct. 2.—This war has created a mammoth new civilian organization, said to be the largest in the nation, and it is what a businessman would call non-producing. It is the army's services of supply, and it is not producing in the sense that its effort is largely directed toward distribution of what someone else has produced, rather than in converting raw materials into a usable product.

According to estimates, the services of supply now has approximately 750,000 employees. So large has it grown that it is running into trouble over lack of qualified supervisors and James P. Mitchell, personnel director, has recently announced that "it is imperative that the efficiency of present employees be increased and that future hiring be reduced to a minimum."

So large has been the turnover in employees in recent months in this agency (as in many government agencies) that a new service has been launched within this organization. It is known as "exit-interviews" and, as the name implies, functions when an official leaves the organization. The departing employee was interviewed by a personnel man or woman and the reasons for his leaving were learned, if possible. In a number of cases the interviewer, by learning where the trouble originated, was able to smooth out the source of irritation and keep the employee on the job. When this was not possible, usually information was gained to head off trouble with other employees.

To further improve employee relationships, each of the thousands of supervisors in the organization have been instructed on a six-point program designed to improve efficiency. They are to report back on the success of their attempts early in November. Not the least source of friction is said to be resentment on the part of many civilian employees of the attitude toward civilians of newly commissioned officers, and some not so newly commissioned. Some of the civilian employees have been with the war department for years, while officers have come and gone. Naturally, many of these clerks and secretaries feel they

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Looting by Nazis Aimed at Blockade
London, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Nazi food looting in occupied countries, which already has caused widespread hunger and threatens actual starvation this winter, is being carried out in the hope of forcing the allies to abandon their blockade, a Norwegian government spokesman said today.

Confidential Nazi reports were said to have revealed that the Germans hope the position of Norway and other occupied countries will become so desperate the allies will end their blockade to save millions from starvation.

SIDE GLANCES
By TRIBUNE REPORTER

Eino Hemmilla threatening to retaliate in no minor fashion if his name appeared in this space.

Dave Roberts thinking it would be a good idea to have Jimmy Ringrose's name in Side Glances.

Bill Chrysler being a little embarrassed when he approached a stranger he thought he recognized and asked him if he hadn't worked with him, finding out that the stranger was Leo Carrillo, noted movie star.

12 MORE VESSELS SUNK OR DAMAGED ON PACIFIC FRONT

Navy Communique Discloses 4-Motored Bombers Now Operating in Aleutian Area

Washington, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Heavy army bombers and U. S. submarines have sunk or damaged 12 more Japanese ships in the far-ranging battle of the Pacific, navy communiques disclosed today.

Army bombers hit two transports near Kiska, Japanese base in the Aleutians, damaged and probably sank a submarine, and bombed and strafed a cargo ship.

In Far Eastern waters, submarines sent to the bottom a large cargo-passenger ship, a large freighter and two medium-sized cargo ships. They also damaged and probably sunk two medium-sized cargo ships and a large tanker.

Bombers in Alerts
Disclosing that army liberator bombers—huge four-motored B-24's—are now operating in the Aleutian area, the navy said the army craft carried out four raids on September 27 and 28 on the Kiska area and a fifth attack on Attu, another of the Western Aleutian Islands.

The enemy now has suffered these total shipping losses in the Aleutians alone: 13 sunk, 3 probably sunk and 21 damaged for a total of 37 ships.

At least six Jap Zero planes were shot down in the Aleutian raids, against only one U. S. pursuit ship lost.

The newest submarine toll brought to 115 the total number of Japanese vessels sunk, probably sunk or damaged by U. S. submarines. Of these, 74 were listed as sunk, 19 probably sunk and 22 damaged.

WHISKEY MAKING TO STOP OCT. 8

Washington, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—The War Production board today ordered all production of whiskey stopped effective October 8.

The industry has been ordered to shift its entire production of "high wines"—the trade name for 120 to 140 proof alcohol—to redistilling plants for conversion into 190 proof industrial alcohol.

Today's order will affect a relatively small portion of the industry which has been in the process of conversion since early this year.

Officials estimated that there is a 3½ year supply of whiskey now on hand.

HOG PRICES HIT 22-YEAR PEAK

Chicago, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—The price of hogs reached a new 22-year high on the livestock market today. Butcher hogs weighing 220-280 pounds brought \$15.50 a hundredweight, the highest price since October 18, 1920, when pork-on-the-hoof sold at \$15.75.

Pork chops are currently retailing from 39 to 45 cents a pound, and the popular demand, coupled with government and lend-lease requirements has produced the shortage responsible for the high price, J. S. Campbell, U. S. department of agriculture, said.

Highway Signs to Point Speed Limit

Portland, Ore., Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—The State Highway commission announced today it would post signs along Oregon highways shortly reading: "War-time speed—35 miles an hour."

The signs will be erected as soon as possible, the commission indicated.

As Cards Evened Series



This was the type of play which gave the Cards a 4-3 victory over the New York Yankees and evened the series as the second game of the baseball classic was played in St. Louis. Terry Moore is crossing the plate with the second Cardinal run in the first inning. Dickey, New York catcher, is No. 8; Hopp, Cardinal first baseman, No. 12. The umpire is Bill Summers.

10,000 Pounds of Scrap Gathered in Four Days in Jackson County Drive

Headquarters, Camp White, Oct. 2.—(Spl.)—The first four days of the Jackson county scrap drive, under supervision of army officials here, has brought in over 10,000 pounds of the precious metal, it was revealed today by Major Lyman V. Williamson, camp salvage officer, who is in charge of the scrap campaign.

Close to 4,000 pounds of the total has been collected in the Camp White area by the enlisted personnel "scraper squad," it was also announced.

Major Williamson lauded Jackson county residents for their splendid cooperation in the opening phases of the scrap drive and urged a continuance of their splendid efforts to lead the state in the amount of scrap collected.

"Calls for collection have been flooding my office since the start of the campaign," said Major Williamson, "and we have not yet completely collected all the scrap which has been offered. We are sending our army trucks out as fast as possible, however, and hope to catch up on the phone calls within a day or two. It is such a fine spirit as this which will keep America the free nation it has always been," he said.

Also reporting a deluge of phone requests for the army to come and collect scrap, is R. G. Fowler, county agricultural agent whose scrap collection committees are also cooperating in the drive.

Mr. Fowler reports calls for collection of scrap to be more than 400 per cent since the army took over the drive less than a week ago.

"The volume of calls to this office as well as to Major Williamson have been so great and so unexpected that the army collection trucks have fallen slightly behind in picking up the scrap," he said. "Be patient, however, the trucks will arrive—and soon."

Mr. Fowler also emphasized the fact that the drive was for all of Jackson county and asked that all residents please collect their scrap in locations where it can easily be picked up.

14,000 Slaughtered By Nazis, Is Claim

New York, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—The Belgian Information center said today that it had received advice indicating 14,000 Estonian Jews were stripped and machine-gunned to death in a Nazi prison in Riga, Latvia, in 14 days of steady executions.

Anti-Inflation Passage Seen Near As Conference Committee Agrees

LELA ROGERS IS COUNTY CHAIRMAN FOR WAR SAVINGS

State Administrator Conway Also Announces Appointment of Co-Chairmen.

Announcement was made Thursday by State Administrator Ray Conway of the Oregon War Savings staff of the appointment of Mrs. Lela Rogers as chairman of the war financing efforts in Jackson county. The appointment was made upon recommendation of Ben E. Harder, recently appointed deputy state administrator of the Oregon War Savings staff succeeding Glenn Jackson. Mrs. Rogers' appointment is effective immediately, Conway said before leaving on the night plane for Portland.

Acting as co-chairman on the Jackson county war savings staff will be Mrs. Ted Hornecker and Henry Zacharisen, both prominent in recent promotion of war bonds and stamps in this area. Mrs. Hornecker will direct the bank authorization and women's activities phase of the county program and Zacharisen will supervise payroll deduction work of the county staff. A. S. Rosenbaum, who has devoted much time to the work of tapping financial reserves for war bond purchases, will continue to handle this important phase of the local program.

Conway arrived in Medford late Wednesday night to confer with county staff officials and approve the appointment of the new county war savings personnel.

Gates Praised

Mrs. Rogers succeeds William A. Gates, whose resignation was recently submitted due to the press of business. A high tribute was paid Gates by Administrator Conway for his outstanding work in recent months.

Jackson county bond and stamp quotas have been consistently over-subscribed in recent months and, under Gates' leadership, this area has stepped into top ranks of counties of the nation.

Mrs. Rogers, mother of movie star Ginger Rogers, operates a 1000-acre dairy farm north of Medford in the Trail area. Her new job on the Jackson county war savings staff will not be a new one for her as during the last World War, she won recognition for outstanding efforts in the Liberty Loan drives. With a journalistic background gained on the staff of the Kansas City Star, Mrs. Rogers entered war work soon after the entry of this country in the war with Germany. She became a first sergeant in the United States Marine Corps with an honorary membership in the "Flying Marines" during a widespread bond selling campaign by plane. The Marine Corps had but two planes in those days.

Mrs. Rogers was also editor of the official Marine organ, "The Leatherneck," published at Quantico, Va.

Conway expressed the satisfaction of the state staff in the acceptance of the county chairman by Mrs. Rogers and of the previous work of the new co-chairmen, Mrs. Hornecker and Mr. Zacharisen.

Huge Tuna Catch Brings in Riches

Astoria, Ore., Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Deliveries of Albacore tuna to Astoria canneries continued their record-breaking pace today with the announcement that three boats had brought in a total of 67,000 pounds of fish the last several days.

The catches, to sell at the ceiling price of \$398 a ton, probably will exceed the 1941 catches, it was predicted.

WILLKIE DELAYED ON CHINA FLIGHT BY JAP AIRCRAFT

Four Days Required For Hop to Chungking Because of Lurking Nippon Planes.

Chungking, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Wendell L. Willkie, President Roosevelt's personal envoy, arrived today by plane from Kuibyshev and said he would make no more statements regarding the opening of a second front by the United Nations.

By George Wang
United Press Correspondent
Chungking, China, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Wendell L. Willkie, President Roosevelt's long awaited personal envoy, arrived today at the Chungking airport after a flight from Kuibyshev, Russia, which was delayed by Japanese fighter planes lurking along his course.

Shortly after his arrival in an American air force plane, Willkie revealed the reason why it had taken him four days to make the 3,200 mile flight.

Though he said the delay was due to Japanese pursuit planes, he commented that the enemy craft, based on airdromes perilously close to his course, did not attack his plane.

"I was in more danger of being killed by the overwhelming kindness of the Chinese people than by Japanese bullets," he added.

"I am proud to be here to meet Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who is truly a great man of our age."

"I am on a fact finding mission here."

"My judgment of the Chinese people undoubtedly will be impaired because I am already in love with them."

From the airport Willkie drove through the gaily decorated streets of war torn Chungking, victim of innumerable Japanese bombing raids, in a half-hour triumphal procession to the salute of millions of exploding firecrackers.

Fighter planes of the Chinese and United States army air forces patrolled a wide area of the surrounding country on the watch for Japanese bombing planes as he arrived and motored to the residence made ready for him by the Chinese government.

Washington, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Inspired by two-weeks of direct contact with the American people, President Roosevelt today set himself the job of jacking up the war spirit of Washington to the tempo of the nation.

A series of important presidential conferences were in prospect as Mr. Roosevelt, deeply impressed by his 8,754-mile coast-to-coast tour of the nation, tackled an accumulation of problems.

Within a few hours of his return to the White House, the president—

Let congress know through the newspapers that he did not like the delay in passing the anti-inflation legislation he had requested, and that he thought congress meddles in war matters which laymen cannot understand.

Sees Harmful Elements
Criticized some elements of press and radio for willfully harming the war effort.

Warned minor administration officials to button their mouths and stop passing out information that often is inaccurate.

War Bulletins

Vichy, Oct. 1.—(U.P.)—(Delayed)—The American embassy (censored).

London, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—American bomber formations escorted by fighters carried out attacks over northern France this afternoon, it was learned tonight.

A British South Coast Port. Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—A flight of bombers possibly numbering 12, was seen crossing the southeast coast and heading toward France this afternoon. Accompanying the bombers was a strong force of RAF fighter planes. The pilots apparently were taking advantage of the first really good weather in days for attacking German targets.

GERMANS GAIN IN NORTHWEST AREA OF STALINGRAD

Moscow, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Great forces of German infantry and tanks made a new gain in northwestern Stalingrad today and the Russians redoubled their efforts to stop them, lest they drive to the heart of the city.

Front-line dispatches to the army organ Red Star, reporting the new "slight" German advance, said Nazi reinforcements were being rushed up from all directions and thrown into the all-out drive, apparently the climatic effort to take Stalingrad.

It was the third day of the new German drive, the 38th day of the bloody battle of Stalingrad.

The deepest enemy penetration in northwestern Stalingrad was into a workers' settlement, but Red Star said pressure was already tremendous and increasing against the "inhabited point."

The Russians resisted desperately, using bottles of benzene, machine guns, anti-tank guns and rifles and heavy artillery to stop the Nazi tanks, but at one point they were pushed back.

Berlin, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—(German Broadcast Recorded by UP at New York)—The French News agency reported from Vichy today that fighting continued on Madagascar and was developing mainly in the mountainous regions of the island.

RETIRED OFFICER DIES

Los Angeles, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Brig.-Gen. James J. Hornbrook, 74, retired cavalry officer, died at his home here yesterday after long illness.

SENATE VERSION FOLLOWED CLOSE FOR STABILIZATION

Lowering of Floor For Agricultural Prices in Feeds For Stock Is Permitted.

Washington, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Conferees on the anti-inflation bill agreed today on a measure closely following the senate version but permitting a lowering of the "floor" for agricultural prices in the case of feeds for livestock and poultry. This change was made in an effort to avert a \$850,000,000 increase in the cost of living.

A compromise provision also was adopted in place of a senate amendment prohibiting increases in common carrier or public utility rates without presidential consent. It provides that any application for a general increase in rates must be preceded by a 30-day notice to the President and also provides that the price administration be represented at the hearing on the increase, as representative of the public.

GANDHI BIRTHDAY MARKED IN INDIA

New Delhi, Oct. 4.—(U.P.)—Mohandas K. Gandhi spent his 73rd birthday in internment today, and throughout India his followers paraded and demonstrated at the start of "Gandhi Week."

Girl students sold congress flags and distributed leaflets on the streets of old Delhi, while in Bombay shops, offices, and markets were closed to celebrate the Mahatma's birthday.

London, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—Twenty-five persons were killed when police fired in a mob which attacked a police station at Irum, in Orissa province, the official all-India radio reported today.

F.D.R. Home From Inspection Tour Declares Capital Lags in War Spirit

Washington, Oct. 2.—(U.P.)—The president evidenced full confidence that the people of the country are behind him and not in sympathy with his critics.

The president came back with the conviction that the war production program is going, on the whole, extremely well, allowing for what he described as a normal small percentage of lag in a program made a bit higher than human ingenuity could carry out.

He said the rate of production he requested in January was being achieved within 94 or 95 per cent, and he hoped for complete achievement by the end of the year and possibly better in some classifications.

Morale Good
But the big news that he brought back to the capital was his belief that war spirit and morale were good everywhere—except in Washington, D. C. He attributed Washington's poor showing to three principal reasons:

1. Congress, in an historically natural effort to share in the war effort, delves into sub-

jects, particularly through the medium of investigating committees, beyond its full understanding because of lacking information and technicalities not understood by laymen.

2. Certain elements of the press and radio, with emphasis on certain columnists and commentators, play up minor difficulties in the war program, as the rule rather than the exception, thus doing great harm to the war effort.

3. Subordinate, down-the-line administration officials talk out of turn, jumping into print sometimes in speeches seeking to be picturesque or in an effort to get personal publicity. These men, he said, often do not have rounded views of the whole picture.

He gave no indication what he would do as a result of congressional failure to complete action on the anti-inflation deadline of October 1 set by the president in a Labor day message, but he conferred last night with undisclosed officials and probably will continue similar conferences today.