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Indomitable Spirit

The genial, able general of the U. S. Air Corps, "Hap" Arnold believes that continued bombing of Japan will pay even greater dividends than bombing of Germany. It should be emphasized that the general based his thesis upon Japan's lack of facilities to repair bombed installations and not a crumbling of Japanese spirit.

TOKYO radio recently called upon the Japanese people to "project their indomitable spirits at the enemy, who will suffer internal fears that will cause defeat before they get into the fight". Tokyo broadcasters added that "the Occidental mind, of course, will not understand this great Oriental power."

Post-War Housing Boom

While lumber is used for everything from swift Mosquito bombers and deadly PT boats to great cantonnments such as Camp White during wartime, not to mention cellulose for explosives, rosin for shrapnel and plastics for countless war uses, the end of the war will not see much slackening of production tempo in Oregon's woods and mills.

Spearheading post-war activity for lumber producers will be home building, and the heartening prediction of the National Housing administration that a 20-year boom will follow the war should please those who live in southern Oregon.

MEDFORD lies in the center of 177,000 acres of virgin forests, having approximately 22 billion feet of merchantable timber. Some of the largest bodies of sugar pine in the United States lie in Jackson county. Forty-nine mills here, with a capacity of 275 million feet per year, have a payroll of approximately \$3,000,000. Estimated sales of lumber from the Medford working circle in 1944 exceeds \$11,500,000.

Payrolls will be increased as the manufacture of plywood, furniture, sash and doors, and other by-products such as alcohol and plastics extends into this area.

No re-conversion will be necessary in this industry when the final gun is silenced or the green light is given by the WPB.

THE NHA report on home building, the basis of the lumber industry's post-war program, indicates that 12,600,000 new urban living units will be needed in the next ten years; and then the job of replacing sub-standard dwelling units would be only half completed.

This would mean a million and a quarter homes a year—300,000 more than the biggest building boom year of the past!

Medford and Jackson county could use many new homes, too.

It is fortunate, indeed, that our lumber resources here have not been dissipated; that they are, for the most part, protected by careful management and saved through selective cutting, sustained yield programs. Much of Jackson county's prosperity, in industry and tourist trade, stems from the forests. This will be especially true in the post-war era.—H.G.

Letter From Washington

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH
Member of Congress From Oregon

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9, 1944—As this is written, the situation with respect to the re-organization of the state department has not been cleared. We have a new secretary of state, but he does not have an under-secretary nor does he have assistants. Appointments to fill these places were made by the president—one under-secretary and three assistant secretaries. Such appointments must be ratified by the senate. When the four names were presented, the senate sent all of them back to committee for further study and hearings. Without doubt all four names will again be submitted to the senate during the coming week.

The general impression regarding the senate's refusal to approve immediately the four assistants for Stettinius is that each of the four had a few senators opposed to him. The total number of these to some one or two or three of the nominees was, of course, sufficient to prevent favorable action upon the four as a group. Apparently MacLeish had the most opposition although each of the other three came in for a share. The vote was 37 to 27.

It is unfortunate that this difficulty has arisen at this time. Our country is in a serious situation in its foreign affairs. We need the greatest possible unity and efficiency in our state department, but we do not have it.

Meanwhile routine legislation is being ground out in both houses. The house will likely finish everything that is scheduled by the end of next week (December 16th), but adjourn-

ment is not expected until the following week since the senate must act on house legislation and some conference reports have not been submitted and remain to be acted upon.

Both houses passed the bill to maintain the rate of social security taxes at one percent. It is known that the president is displeased with this action and may veto the bill. If he chooses to do so, the president can keep congress in session until the 20th day by delaying his full ten days before signing or vetoing the bill. This bill passed the house by a 3 to 1 record vote. Yesterday the senate passed it by a vote of 47 to 19. There is clearly enough support for the bill to pass it over the president's veto.

Last week I mentioned the above bill. Since it is quite evident that the bill will become law, I want to repeat that the freeing of the tax rate does not in any way affect the social security benefit payments. It will not impair the fund and it will not endanger the future of the social security program. I make these statements as coming from people I believe to be qualified impartial experts on the subject. The ONLY effect of the law will be to save you from having an additional one per cent deducted from your paycheck if your employment is under social security. Employers likewise will not have to pay the additional one percent.

The bill by Congressman Barrett of Wyoming to abolish the Jackson Hole National Monument, which was created by executive order early in 1943,

was debated yesterday and will be up for final consideration Monday. Although the bill is local to Wyoming in this instance, we people of Oregon have a very definite interest in it. If the executive is permitted to go on making large areas into parks (a monument is about the same as a National Park), we shall likely see such a move in our state. I am actively supporting the Barrett bill.

Both houses recently passed the post-war highways bill, and it is now in conference. The conference finished its work yesterday, but the report will not be available until Monday. I am informed, however, that the total sum (\$1,500,000,000) was agreed upon and that the program will begin in the fiscal year after the war ends. Another point of agreement was that not more than one-third of right-of-way will be borne by the federal government. It is not anticipated that either the house or senate will disagree with the conference report. In other words, the final bill as whipped into shape by the conferees will quite likely be accepted and will become law.

Livestock

Portland, Ore., Dec. 13 (UP)—Livestock—Cattle salable 300, calves 50, market active, fully steady but steers scarce; cutters to common heifers \$6.50@10.50, medium heifers \$11@13, canners and cutter cows \$4.50@7; fat dairy-type cows \$7.50@9; medium bulls \$8.50@9; good bulls quoted at \$10.50; medium to good yearlings \$11@13; good grass calves \$12.

Hogs—Salable, 400, market active, steady but extreme top 10 cents lower; good to choice 180-240 lbs. mostly \$15.50, 245-270 lbs. \$14.50@14.75; good sows \$13@13.50; choice feeder pigs \$12.50.

Sheep—Salable, 200, market steady, good to choice wooled lambs \$12.50 up to \$13.50; medium-good 75 lbs. \$12.75; cull lambs down to \$7.50; good-choice heavy ewes \$3@9.50.

Chicago, Dec. 13 (UP)—(WFA)—Livestock—Hogs—18,000. Bulk good and choice 180-240 lbs. \$12.25@12.50; top \$14.25; 270-330 lbs. \$14@14.10; 300-500-lb. sows \$13.90@14.

Chicago Wheat
Chicago, Dec. 13 (UP)—Wheat:
Dec. 1.85@1.70 1.80@1.75
May 1.85@1.75 1.84@1.79
July 1.85@1.75 1.84@1.79
Sept. 1.85@1.75 1.84@1.79

Wall Street
New York, Dec. 13 (UP)—Strength in selected issues, senior utilities and a few rails gave the stock market an irregularly higher trend today in moderately active trading.

Selected stocks:
American Tel. & Tel. 166 1/2
Anaconda 26
Chrysler 90 1/2
Curtiss Wright 5 1/2
General Electric 39 1/2
General Motors 63 1/2
Montgomery Ward 51 1/2
Penn. R. R. 41 1/2
Phillips Petroleum 44 1/2
J. C. Penney 109
Radio 10 1/2
Southern Pacific 39
Standard Oil of Cal. 37 1/2
Texas Gulf Sulphur 35 1/2
Transamerica 11 1/2
United Aircrafts 29
U. S. Rubber unquoted
U. S. Steel 58

The Springfield armory at Springfield, Mass., has manufactured 2,000,000 Garland rifles since 1937 when this weapon first went into production.

Wears Five Overseas Stripes



SERGEANT WARREN D. MADIGAN OF WASECA, MINN., SHOWS HOW LIQUID FLAME THROWER IS USED AGAINST ENEMY PILLBOX. SERGEANT MADIGAN, A COMBAT INFANTRYMAN WHO WEARS FIVE OVERSEAS STRIPES FOR 31 MONTHS OF SERVICE IN THE EUROPEAN AND AFRICAN THEATERS, IS TYPICAL OF THE SOLDIERS WHO WILL TAKE PART IN THE OUTDOOR SHOW "HERE'S YOUR INFANTRY," PRESENTED BY THE ARMY GROUP FORCES AND THE WAR HEREAUSE DIVISION OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

News Behind The News
By Paul Mallon

Washington, Dec. 12—There has been remarkably little kicking of dental work or stealing of the ball here by the new dealers and radicals since the election. Of course the Dies committee ball was stolen and thrown away harshly, and immediately Chairman Dies and his aides were one day recently copying some committee records concerning the radicals and communists largely, in their two rooms in the house of office building, which they occupied for years past. Without notice, a house employe appeared with "orders from Sam Rayburn," the speaker, announcing he wanted these rooms immediately.



A crew came in, bundled and tied all the records, removed them to a storehouse in the basement where Dies cannot get to them. Dies did not complain and there was nothing in the papers.

THEN again, Chairman Theodore Francis Green, Democrat, is rather uphissly investigating Republican election victories in Ohio and Indiana, not any Democratic victories, of course. But this reflects the unusual personal inclinations of Senator Green, rather than a political movement. He thinks that if the Republicans won anywhere, there must have been something crooked about it. These are exceptions.

The broader moderating general tone is illustrated by an inner incident involving the White House and Senator Byrd. Mr. R. thought he had a little humorous irony in store for the Virginian, whose solid democratic state had developed many unexpected Dewey counties in the election, and who, somewhat ironically, had been appointed chairman of the inauguration committee, which was to handle the expenses for Mr. Roosevelt's fourth assumption of office. Mr. Roosevelt smilingly, at a press conference after election, said he was economizing on the inauguration, would hold it at the White House for the first time to save building usual stands at the capitol. He would not need the \$25,000 which had been appropriated, would spend only \$2,000.

MR. R. HANDLED the matter in such a way as to ruffle and refute Byrd, the economist who had so often accused the president of being a spendthrift, and the papers played it that way. But a few days later there came from the white house a statement which sounded almost like an apology. It said Byrd's committee had not known the president planned to save money on the inauguration when it appropriated the \$25,000. No one had asked for such a gratuitous statement of minor fact. What could it mean?

Well, it seems the literal-minded Byrd had taken the president at his word on the \$2000 limit. He had told his clerks to spend that much and no more. The president was only kidding, or made a bad estimate, or something. The white house found a simple inauguration could not

be held for \$2000 or anything like that. To get Byrd to loosen up more money, it issued practically an apology.

ADVANCE notices of the president's new program to be submitted in January do not justify either the widespread suspicion that C.I.O. and its radical associates will move in immediately to take over the government and run it that way. Perhaps they are being clever and holding back until the alert fears in the country die down, and intend to work gradually and quietly through the coming four years toward their ends, but then again, they may realize they did not win the election, but Mr. Roosevelt did. At any rate Mr. Roosevelt seems to be going so far on the assumption that he won it.

Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson Co History from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 20 and 34 years ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
December 13, 1934
(it was Thursday)

NRA chief says price fixing attempts of government near end.

Klamath Falls has strike of relief workers.

Senate investigations reveal munition makers reap huge profits.

Cloudy with occasional rain. High 48, low 40 degrees.

Statistics show farmers make less profit, than persons on relief.

Thirty-hour week is now objective of organized labor.

Eggs go up cent on Portland market.

France-Russia alliance feared as sign of new world war.

Permit asked for railroad to coast from Grants Pass.

Report Samuel Gompers labor chief passes in Mexico erroneous.

Germany and north Italy severely shaken by earthquakes.

Dean of women at University of Chicago in address declares "Corsets and chaperones have vanished, and parents seem to have had their day."

Generally cloudy. High 34, low 29 degrees.

Two Medford youths nabbed for speeding their autos through Central Point.

Coyote hunting favorite sport in Sams Valley country.

Willow Springs to hold Christmas tree next Friday.

Muscle Shoals fight breaks out in congress.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY
December 13, 1910
(it was Tuesday)

Socialists to have ticket in city election.

POPULAR VOTE OF ROOSEVELT GIVES LEAD OF 3,510,359

Dewey Exceeds Willkie Poll; Carried 12 States—Minor Parties Fade

Washington, Dec. 13.—(UP)—Complete returns from the November election today showed conclusively that President Roosevelt won his fourth term election independently of the so-called solid south and pointed unerringly to the dozen states where the Republicans have their best chance to make a 1948 break-through to the White House.

Here are the popular vote presidential figures:
Roosevelt 25,429,583
Dewey 21,891,746
Thomas 76,442
Teichert 45,018
Watson 68,130

The scattered votes included 135,439 cast by anti-Roosevelt "Texas regulars" and 17,763 anti-Roosevelt votes cast for Sen. Harry F. Byrd, D., Va. In the official returns certified from Tennessee it was noted that Cox county was missing.

The total 1944 popular vote was 47,471,245 compared with 49,815,312 in 1940, the difference being 2,344,067.

Mr. Roosevelt's plurality over Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, the Republican candidate, was 3,510,174 votes. His majority over his combined opposition, 3,181,359 votes.

The percentage division of the popular vote was 53.72 for Mr. Roosevelt to 46.28 for Dewey. Their division of electoral votes was: Roosevelt 432, Dewey 99. In contrast to the relatively close percentage division of popular votes, Mr. Roosevelt won 81.35 per cent of the electoral vote, Dewey only 18.65 per cent.

The returns spotlight the virtual extinction of traditional minor protest parties, the disappearance of the communist party from the ballot and the rise of the new, left-wing parties in New York state to significant balance-of-power position.

Mr. Roosevelt won 36 states to Dewey's 12. But the tally shows that the president's margins, percentage-wise, were comparatively slim in 12 states which cast a combined electoral vote of 202.

The president's 1944 popular vote plurality over Dewey compares with 7,000,000 over former President Herbert C. Hoover in 1932; 10,700,000 over Alf M. Landon in 1936; and 5,000,000 over the late Wendell L. Willkie in 1940. Those Republican candidates won 58, 8 and 82 electoral votes, respectively.

OBITUARY

BENJAMIN L. CAMPBELL
The remains of Benjamin L. Campbell, who passed away suddenly Saturday evening while on his way home from work, were forwarded this evening to Portland for services and interment. Arrangements were in care of the Conger-Morris Chapel.

He was born in Wisconsin, Jan. 24, 1883, and had moved to Medford only four months ago to work for Jackson County as a surveyor.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Sadie B. Campbell, three daughters, Mrs. Ida Miller, Los Angeles, Mrs. Fred G. Wright and Mrs. Fred E. Bronn, Portland; and two brothers, Royston Campbell, San Francisco, and Hamilton Campbell, New York.

Noted Dead

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 13.—(UP)—Rev. Abraham Lincoln Eisenhower, 81, uncle of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, died today.

Before retiring several days ago, Rev. Eisenhower was associated with the Church of the Old Time Religion. His widow survives him.

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 13.—(UP)—Edward M. Shelton, 75, retired general counsel and vice-president of the Chicago Burlington and Quincy railroad, died Saturday in Mexico City. It was learned today when his widow returned from Mexico.

Dr. Fred L. Patte, Coronado, Fla., was the first person in the United States to hold the title, "Professor of American Literature," which was conferred to him in 1920 at Pennsylvania State college.

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PICTURES PAVED FOR B-29S RAID ON NAGOYA AREA

Twenty-first Bomber Command Headquarters, Saipan, Dec. 13.—(ELT)—(Via navy radio)—U.S.—Two 21st bomber command Superfortresses made reconnaissance flights over Japan's great aircraft center of Nagoya on Honshu island last Monday and Tuesday and brought back photographs which prepared the way for today's attack by more than 100 of the giant bombers.

The first plane, which appeared over Nagoya about 7 p. m. Monday, was commanded by Col. Frank L. Davis, of Cornwall, N. Y., who reported "a very successful flight" in crossing the city. He said Nagoya was blacked out and that he met no fighters or ack-ack fire. Some phosphorus bombs burst near the aircraft, however, indicating enemy night fighters may have been operating high in the sky. The B-29 was undamaged.

The second plane appeared about 5 a. m. the following morning and was commanded by Maj. Clarence C. Fowler, of San Antonio, Tex., and Ft. Leavenworth, Mo.

HAS TRUCK WAITING
Newburyport, Mass.—(UP)—Pfc. Andy Gagalas, 26, of Newburyport had to be wounded in Italy to get his boyhood wish. From his hospital bed, he wrote Fire Chief Frank Creeden asking for "just one ride on a fire truck" when he gets home. He'll have his wish.

Over 2,000,000 women of all ages have received training under public vocational and college war training programs, the War Man-power commission has announced. Largest number received training in aircraft production.

In Time of Sorrow

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