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Political Situation

IN less than three weeks the republican national convention will open in Philadelphia. In a little more than a month the democrats will convene in Chicago. Under ordinary circumstances, the country at this moment would be seething with political talk and the national wires would carry little else for the coming six weeks. The war has so concentrated American interest that domestic issues, excepting defense, have been largely ignored.

But the conventions are to be held, and decisions are to be made that are of vast importance and may well determine the future destiny of the nation.

What has happened to some of the candidates who were a few weeks ago prominent in the news is one of the interesting features of the present situation. Where, for instance, is Tom Dewey? It is possible that Mr. Dewey and his strategists feared that his campaign was coming to a premature peak, and advised a temporary let-down. The primaries, in which he figured with success, gave Mr. Dewey publicity he could not keep on getting by other means. Increasing attention has been given to Wendell Willkie as an "involuntary" republican candidate in recent weeks, and the growing Willkie strength is certainly an important feature of the present situation.

Mr. Roosevelt continues to hold out on those who want a pronouncement from him as to his third term decision. He may do so until convention time. Until Mr. Roosevelt says the word, there is little use of talking of other democratic candidates. He can have the nomination if he wants it, and he probably will control it if he doesn't want it.

Whether the international situation will serve to favor the party in power is the principal question, of course, that colors the political prospects of the year. There have been evidences of a strong republican trend, particularly noticeable in the heavy republican voting in such primaries as Nebraska's, Illinois' and California's. Has the increasingly critical world situation lessened the possibilities of a powerful republican bid? There is disagreement on the answer to that question.

Some contend that the country will not want "to change horses in the middle of the stream" and that in times of international tension the tendency will be to keep the political status quo. Others see national distrust of the Roosevelt brain-trusters, experimenters and super-politicians as the leaders of the country in times of such crisis. The Oregonian, for instance, contends that if the republicans choose wisely their candidate, the turn in the war situation may put him into office to choose a cabinet made up of leaders in their fields, in place of the old political office-holders who want to stay in with Roosevelt.

In spite of everything, it seems that these questions and issues are going to protrude themselves through the war hysteria and must receive the public's solemn consideration.

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, June 5—Men who man our defenses have not relished outside agitation for the United States springing to the aid of the allies with military equipment.

They have kept their own counsel because they have not known what might be required of them eventually by the administration, but their fundamental reasoning has dissolved hopes that intervention now would do the allies material good in their existing situation. For instances:

NO SPARE TANKS

British War Minister Eden, in his broadcast to the United States made a point of the pressing British need solely of tanks and planes. The United States army has about 250 light and medium tanks and 150 combat cars, none of which was built to stand against the type of heavily armored German equipment used in Flanders. We have no 80-ton tanks and there is some incidental doubt here as to whether the Germans have them. Such heavy equipment would chew up roads, could not get across ordinary bridges and would bog down in fields.

At any rate, the U. S. army could spare no more than 200 light and medium tanks to the allies and these could not be put into action abroad for months. They would have to be mobilized. Trans-Atlantic transportation for them would have to be arranged and carried out. Above all, there is no reason to believe they would swing the balance in the favor of the allies when they did finally arrive on the scene and take part in the conflict.

NO SPARE PLANES

A plan to dispatch 2000 planes was originally advocated by the able retired Major General John F. O'Ryan, of New York. It would be possible, if both the army and navy air arms were depleted fully, to scrape up 2000 planes of all categories. Some of these would be obsolete. All that would be left to the army and navy would be training planes. If trouble broke out in Latin-America or elsewhere on this hemisphere, the U. S. would be incompetent to deal with it from the air.

The mobilization and transportation of 2000 planes across the ocean to the war zone would be a more difficult task than the dispatch of tanks.

ALLIES ALONE

It is clear to all military minds such ventures would be useless in the existing military situation. They would be useless any time unless the allies brace themselves immediately and definitely block the German advance. The fate of Britain and France must rest with themselves alone until fall in any event.

Such experienced advocates of intervention as O'Ryan must agree with these conclusions. Apparently their hope is that the mere promise of such aid now would be of great psychological advantage to bolster allied morale and depress the Germans—if Hitler permitted the Germans to learn of it. And their motive apparently is that this would be the easiest way to do a job that we would have to do by fighting if the allies lost.

The question in military minds is whether the allies may not lose anyway. In that case we have sacrificed our best defensive equipment.

BETTER AT HOME

It is true this government has some scraps of equipment lying around which are not so vital to defense as planes and tanks. The army has hundreds of old 75-millimeter guns which have not been modernized. The French could use these against the German tanks more effectively than our light and medium tanks. The navy has many

old destroyers, some of which have recently been recommissioned by Mr. Roosevelt.

But it must be admitted there is no equipment available here which is sure to swing the result in Europe. On this side of the water the equipment is a reasonable assurance against the establishment of attacking bases in this hemisphere. On the other side it would stack no higher than a few pawns.

Those who win through to their second romantic wind in

SIDE GLANCES



"I've got that pain in my wrist again, George—shall we invite Dr. Brown out for dinner some night this week?"

• LOVE, COURTSHIP AND MARRIAGE

By ERNEST R. AND GLADYS H. GROVES
Noted Authorities on Marriage Relations

ALMOST anyone can be romantic at the beginning of marriage, but this first wind of easy romance generally gives out as bills come in, dust and drudgery gather, and the business of daily living cannot longer be made to take second place. Then it is that those who are set for a lifetime of romance must develop their second wind.

This is what makes the difference between those marriages that plod along mostly by habit with all enthusiasm gone, and the ones that run in high gear, with little friction or fuss, obviously going places without much effort, and providing mounting happiness for their members. More than luck decides which way a marriage will go.

Those who win through to their second romantic wind in

marriage look back on the first romantic excitement of their life together as a childish apprenticeship for what was to follow.

Then they were merely intoxicated with each other's nearness. Now they are learning what it means to live the whole of their life on two fronts—their own and the mate's.

Instead of daydreaming as to what married life—and the marriage partner—will be like, each one finds out more accurately every day what sort of person he or she has married, and what it means to be married.

This ever unfolding reality calls for new hopes and enthusiasms that are the stuff of which lasting romance is made.

Those who have depth of personality enough to keep up with the changing conditions of every new stage of married life, always eager to see around the next corner and to prove that they can measure up to the new opportunities ahead, are getting their second wind of romance.

your letter, but I hope you may find some counteracting assurance in the definite promise of President Roosevelt to defend Canada against invasion. This promise is not questioned by any American source I know of, and even if it should ever be questioned, the demands of military strategy for self defense would require it to be kept with the utmost vigor and might that my country could muster.

This may seem remote solace to your cause but you must not forget there are American mothers with children also, and many of them naturally prefer to defend their homes and ideals on this side of the water, a feeling which you might share if you were a resident of the United States.

The first U. S. loan to a World War ally was made to Great Britain in April, 1917. The amount was \$200,000,000 at 3 1/2 per cent.

Los Angeles is the largest city in the United States—it covers more ground than New York City.

LAST DAY ★ "ELIZABETH AND ESSEX" ERROL FLYNN—BETTE DAVIS

TOMORROW

TO THE VOICE OF

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RAINBOW

Telling The Editor

ABOUT BURKE AND HITLER

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor)—In reading Mr. Burke's letter in the issue of May 30, I cannot let it pass without a protest, for the comparison between ancient history (400 years ago) and the tactics used by Hitler's assassins. I cannot understand how anyone (Nazis excepted) can condone or justify any act of Hitler, by comparing it to something similar that happened before we had the present day civilization. Two wrongs never made a right.

In Poland alone Hitler's hordes of murderers killed 1,000,000 adult civilians, 200,000 children and 320,000 officers and soldiers or four times as many non-combatants as defenders of Poland. And in the same proportion the number of murders of innocent people have mounted through Czechoslovakia, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium and France.

Possibly Mr. Burke thinks that Hitler has been chosen as an avenging angel, by quoting scripture, "Those who live by the sword shall die by the sword." This might apply to England, France and Germany but he can't by any stretch of his imagination apply the above quotation to the countries just mentioned. What have these countries done to merit such wholesale murder and ruin at the hands of a man gone mad with lust for world power.

I am ashamed to think that any citizen of the United States could and would justify and excuse any act of Hitler. I feel just as the writer did that advocated that this country give all the aid possible to the allies in order to put down "Hitlerism" for good. If this is not done and the allies are defeated, Hitler will try and seize some of their colonies in this hemisphere and when this happens, the United States will have to fight his armies unaided and this would add our women and children to the growing list of his murders and atrocities. In my opinion this is just common sense and not "the slimy ideas" purported to undermine the morality of our best citizens and coming from the pen of a pro-Britisher as Mr. Burke quoted in his letter. I am not pro-British but a citizen of the United States and a world war veteran and my only reason for taking the stand I do, is to see Hitler defeated before he can carry his program of world dominance to the western hemisphere.

Sincerely yours,

T. B. YOUNG.

Woman Locks Self

In Trunk in

Suicide Attempt

SAN FRANCISCO, June 5 (UP)—A chance telephone call Tuesday led to discovery of a woman identified as Mrs. Gweneth Roberts Books, 29, in a closed wooden trunk at her rooming house. Police said she apparently took poison and locked herself in the trunk in a suicide attempt.

At Central Emergency hospital she was said to be in serious condition from the effects of poison.

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OSC GRADUATES 'HOME PRODUCTS'

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—The senior class just graduated from OSC was a "home product," so to speak, as 711 of the 790 members were Oregon boys and girls. Nineteen other states, Alaska, British Columbia and China were represented by the remainder of the class.

Multnomah led the counties in numbers with an even 200, followed by Benton county with 117. Counties next in order were Marion, 42; Lane, 32; Clackamas, 26; Umatilla, 21; Linn and Washington 19 each. Every county was represented, Gilliam, Morrow and Wheeler having one each.

Ages of the graduates ranged from 20 to 48 for women, and 20 to 56 for men. Youngest was Aileen Duerst, McMinnville, who was born February 24, 1920, so received her degree in secretarial science when just past 20. Youngest man was Milton Hornestein, Portland, science graduate, born February 10, 1920.

The Labor Movement

THE CONFERENCE METHOD

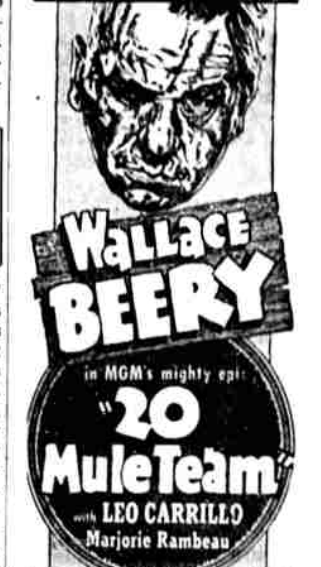
The man in the street looks to the labor situation and sees managers and workers pulling and tugging across what seems to them, apparently, to be a square table. In some places, probably a comparatively few places when the total number of men and industries are considered, but in far too many places, the workers have forced the table against the owner's stomach and his back is against the wall. In other places, probably a minority of places when total volume of industrial management is considered, but still far too many places, the owner has forced the workers to the wall.

The central drive of collective

bargaining is to put the table, in all instances, back into the middle of the room and let owners and workers sit down about the table in conference. The American ideal and the hope of organized labor is that when workers and employers sit down in the center of industry, both will discover that the table between them is not a square table but a round table; that they are not enemies but partners in a common industrial enterprise.

Progressive minded employers in every industry and fair minded workers everywhere are beginning to sense the urgency of this way of doing things. There are employers and employees in plenty who are capable of rising to the challenge of working out for American industry an effective and orderly labor policy.

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Latest **WAR News**

PINE TREE

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ACTORS TESTED FOR SHAKESPEARE PLAYS

ASHLAND, Ore., June 5

Preliminary try-outs for major and supporting roles in the sixth annual Shakespearean productions to be given here between August 9 and 17 this year were being completed this week as plans for definite rehearsal schedules were drafted.

Between 75 and 100 role-seekers have already been interviewed by Director William David Cottrell in surveying the new crop of dramatic students. Majority are from southern Oregon points although a number of out-of-town aspirants have been noted. Still others from Washington and California points have signified intentions of participating and are expected here within a few days.

Four plays are to be shown twice each during the eight-day festival. They are: "As You Like It," "Much Ado About Nothing," "The Comedy of Errors," a hold over from last season's repertoire, and "The Merry Wives of Windsor." All will be done in a modern, gusty manner, with emphasis being placed on the lighter comedy-type of work.

An opportunity for persons talented in technical phases of theatre production to participate in this year's program, has been extended to all residents of the Pacific coast. Several vacancies in the art, costume and designing departments are open to non-professionals. Persons interested in gaining valuable summer stock experience of this type are urged to contact Lois M. Bowmer, art director. Present indications point to a successful venture and hopes of doubling last year's attendance appear to be well founded.

Courthouse Records

(TUESDAY)

Marriage Applications

MIKSCHE-TUCKER, Carl J. Miksch, 20, laborer. Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Oklahoma. Audrey Aline Tucker, 19, housewife. Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Montana.

DAGGETT-HAGEN

Lawrence Roland Daggett, 21, shipping clerk. Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Kansas. Helen Inez Hagen, 20, secretary. Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Oregon. Three-day requirement waived.

ANDRIEU-HUCK

Leon Raymond Andrieu, 24, farmer. Resident of Merrill, native of Oregon. Minnie Ruth Huck, 21, housewife. Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Kansas.

Divorce Complaint Filed

Melba J. Anderson versus Alvin W. Anderson. Charge, cruel and inhuman treatment. Plaintiff asks custody of minor child, property settlement and support money. Edwin E. Driscoll, attorney for plaintiff.

Complaint Filed

Mabel Brochtrup versus Wesley Krafton. Action for \$5194 damages and costs. U. S. Balentine, attorney for plaintiff.

Justice Court

Clifford Leroy Grove, no PUC permit. Fined \$10.
Morris Arthur Schwartz. No operators license. Fined \$5.50.

WASTE OF TIME

WASHINGTON, June 5 (AP)—John L. Lewis declared today in a statement authorized by the national executive board of the CIO that resumption of peace negotiations with the AFL would be "futile and waste of time."

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