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## Too Decent?

IN various matters of defense expenditures that have developed in this general area, the attitude of this community for the most part has been to avoid cheap pork barrel politics in situations of such strategic importance to the welfare of the country.

Opinion here has been that military authorities and others in control of these developments are hard-headed, disinterested in politics, and impervious to local pressure. The local policy has been to present all pertinent information to the authorities, help them in any way possible in getting a true picture of advantages here, but refrain from high pressure activity.

We are beginning to wonder, however, if such high-minded decency pays. We are beginning to wonder if political strategy isn't running at least neck and neck with military strategy in this situation. Has the defense program, after all, the non-political character we supposed it would have and believe it should have? If it hasn't, and nobody else wants to play the game our way, maybe we had better play it the other way.

That is a thought as consideration is being given here to efforts to make Klamath a base for a military aviation squadron. This is a moderate project and one which, if successful, should be beneficial to the community for a long time to come—without the headaches that might come with other projects. In this instance, perhaps, it would be well to consider the political realities carefully, along with the military possibilities of this location.

Once a goal is set up, let its achievement be the basis of action along all lines that have possibilities.

## Free Press Shrine

(New York Times)

SOMETHING of Milton's ardor for freedom of the press was born in John Peter Zenger, a German immigrant who came to these shores in the reign of good Queen Anne. He was destined to raise the issue in Britain's American colonies, to suffer in jail for his devotion, and through his newspaper to attract the public support which later led to the incorporation of the principle of a free press in the Constitution of the United States.

The royal governor, William Cosby, was the local tyrant of his time, removing judges at his whim and denying Quakers the right to vote. Zenger, a printer, published The New York Weekly Journal to expose and oppose him. Zenger was thrown into prison, but his newspaper continued to appear. In 1725 he was brought to trial for criminal libel, but the eloquence of Andrew Hamilton of Philadelphia confounded Cosby's puppet judge and swayed a bold jury to a triumphant acquittal. Some of these events took place long ago in Winchester on the edge of what is now the Bronx. It was on the green of old St. Paul's Church that the Quakers were denied their rights. The ancient edifice, dating from 1665, is now undergoing restoration. The plans include a memorial to John Zenger. It should prove a shrine to all who honor a free press as one pillar of our liberty.

## Civilian Defense Trusted In Hands of Law Enforcers

(Editor's note: The police force of every large American city will play an important role in the nation's civilian defense program rapidly being organized under Fiorello LaGuardia, director of the office of civilian defense. The duties of the police are told in the following story, the fourth of a series of six daily articles by the special news service. Tomorrow: What the civilian must do in civilian defense.)

By DON WHITEHEAD AND FRANK I. WELLER  
 NEW YORK, June 12 (The Special News Service)—Law enforcement agencies of the United States are charged with grave responsibilities in the plans of the office of civilian defense for safeguarding the lives and property of the American people in event of war.

The policemen and the firemen will form the nucleus of the OGD's vast program and be the coordinating agents for training volunteer civilian aid to meet any war-time emergency.

For every American city to be prepared there must be voluntary cooperation from officials and citizens alike. The very nature of the program demands willing service.

Into the hands of the police will fall the task of protecting the people, their homes and their property against saboteurs and fifth columnists; protecting vital utilities and industries, and safeguarding transportation in the cities.

It's a big job ahead for the cop on the corner.

In addition to protecting the people, transportation, communications and industry, he must be prepared to handle air raid incidents, direct evacuations of great industrial areas and organize auxiliary forces.

His role will be not only that of a guardian, but also a stabilizer.

## NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, June 12—Leon Henderson, the price restrictor, called in his government committee a week ago and informed them something should be done to keep automobile prices from going up. A flood of objections descended upon him from his advisers. The technical work involved would require weeks or months to ascertain costs. It would be the old sad story of coal price controls all over again.

After a long hard meeting the decision was delayed until a session scheduled for today. But while this thrashing of the government mind was in progress, automobile prices were rising. The second meeting of the price policy makers found they had the horse behind the cart, about a mile behind.

**BILL READY**  
 Note: A sharp price control bill—as keenly edged as Mr. Roosevelt's all-power property seizure bill—has been resting back in a corner of the presidential desk. The president and Henderson are supposed to have decided to delay its presentation to congress until the current trends of prices become sufficiently clear to demand such strong action, which may not be long.

**LINDY'S PLANS**  
 Interest in Charles Lindbergh's personal political intentions has been running high among politicians of all varieties, not excluding those around the White House.

A good Minnesota authority expects the flying ex-colonel to establish a residence in his native state and run for the senate for next year.

The authority claims no fresh information direct from Lindbergh, but points out that Senator Joseph H. Ball's term expires next year, and Lindbergh could establish residence in the fall, six months before the spring primaries.

**PROTESTS**  
 The main serious grumbling in congress against Mr. Roosevelt's seizure of the North American plant is based on the obvious legal unfairness of taking the property of the stockholders because of the sins of employees. He did not seize the union; he seized the plant. This is just as if the government seized your home because your cook would not work, furthermore it clears CIO of responsibility.

All the objectors have been able to get out of administration officials is a shrug that this is the only legal way to accomplish their purpose. The objections might be pressed strongly if the plant were not now in the personal hands of War Secretary Stimson and his Assistant Secretary Patterson, neither of whom is a social reformer.

**REVAMPING**  
 A new move to reorganize the government setup is definitely still in the making. Interior Secretary Ickes' nominated assistant, John Dempsey, has been devoting his time to developing a plan and a bill.

Central point of it apparently would be a consolidation of all transportation and communication bureaus (radio, railways, aviation, waterways) into one department. But the main effect so far has been to keep the old number-one brain trust, Rexford Tugwell, from coming back as chief forester. The Ickes-Dempsey plan would presumably recapture for Ickes the forestry service of the agriculture department, which he has avidly sought without success for years. Tugwell's acceptance of the forestry vacancy will be delayed until his fears in this respect have been allayed.

Any soil that will produce good garden crops will raise good roses.

This involves, also, the safeguarding of civilian morale by weeding out fifth columnists and enemy agents creating industrial strife and instilling fear in the minds of the people.

## SIDE GLANCES



"Poor pop! His back is as straight as your brother's, but he doesn't realize how he bulges in front!"

## War Moving Into South Atlantic, Writer Claims

By FRED VANDERSCHMIDT

Whatever the facts about the sinking of the American flag ship Robin Moor, sturdy little veteran of the Mediterranean trade, the news emphasizes rudely the fact that the war is moving inexorably into the south Atlantic.

Also it is bound to revive the speculation over the extent of France's shot-gun wedding with Germany; whether the terms of collaboration do or are likely to cover full Nazi use of Dakar, West Africa, as a base.

With the Mediterranean the sea of peril that it is today, the main flow of sorely needed American supplies for the British middle eastern forces must move down between the humps of Africa and South America and thence around the Cape of Good Hope into the Red sea, no matter what country's ships carry the goods.

There have been reports that French Dakar, on the rim of the African hump, is being used as a regular U-boat base by the Germans. These reports stir for the reason that the use of a base implies the availability of adequate supplies, and fuel oil, among other things, must be imported by French West Africa.

Probably, however, a limited supply of oil still exists at Dakar, sent there originally for the use of the French naval units now holed up in the harbor.

The Robin Moor appears to have been sunk 600 miles south of the Cape Verde islands (or roughly the same distance southwest of Dakar).

The date was May 21, according to official reports to Washington. That was four days before German Grand Marshal Admiral Eric Raeder charged that United States Atlantic air and naval patrols were aggressive and warned against their extension, saying in the same breath that use of American convoys would be an open act of war.

It was just six days before President Roosevelt declared that Nazi occupation of Dakar, the Cape Verde islands and the Azores "would directly endanger the freedom of the Atlantic and our own physical safety."

It may be that for the time being the Robin Moor sinking is an isolated incident and that the axis, unable to obtain adequate supplies at nearby bases and threatened constantly by British warships from Gibraltar, will be unable to conduct extended warfare in the south Atlantic until Gibraltar is made useless as a British naval base.

On the other hand it is possible that a number of long-range axis submarines already have been sent into south Atlantic waters on a mass hit-and-run expedition which will last until shortage of fuel and other supplies forces them back to Italian Mediterranean ports or to the west coast of France.

## OSC Signs Opera Stars for Coming Concert Series

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—Four numbers have already been arranged for the 1941-42 concert series here, announces Percy Looney, director of educational activities. The series will open October 8, with a quartet from the Metropolitan Opera company, which includes Rose Bampton, leading soprano, K. Meisle, Hullan and Weeds.

Zino Francescatti, hailed as a sensational new French violin star, will appear on January 29. Helen Jepson, leading prima donna of the Metropolitan, is scheduled for February 25, while John Charles Thomas, noted radio and opera singer, will be heard April 29.

## Courthouse Records

WEDNESDAY Complaints Filed

Albert E. Ault and General Insurance Company of America versus Frank Floyd Hayes, suit for damages. Plaintiff asks judgment of \$770.32 against defendant. Harvey S. Benson, attorney for plaintiffs.

Mildred Ferrari versus E. R. Ferrari. Suit for divorce. Couple married at Reno, Nev., October 26, 1940. Plaintiff charges defendant with cruel and inhuman treatment and asks restoration of her former name. Mildred Buzard, William Ganong, attorney for plaintiff.

Decrees  
 Mona Blanch Gathwright versus Dennis Samuel Gathwright. Divorce granted on grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. Maiden name of plaintiff, Mona Blanch Brady, restored. Don F. Hamlin, attorney for plaintiff.

Judgment  
 Jane King versus Klamath Concrete Pipe company. Suit to collect alleged wages. Jury verdict in favor of defendant.

Marriage Applications  
 HAGEMAN - COLVIG. Glenn Harold Hageman, 32, Dunsmuir, Calif., carpenter, native of Nebraska. Cleo E. Colvig, 24, Klamath Falls, native of Grants Pass, Ore.

Justice Court  
 Carl Henry Wagner, overloading truck and trailer. Fined \$50.

## Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 400 words in length, must be written legibly on ONE SIDE of the paper only, and must be signed. Contributions following these rules, are warmly welcome.

### SHEEP SHEARING

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. — (To The Editor)—In an article which appeared in the News-Herald June 6 by Jeanette Lund entitled "Shearing Sheep Still Hard Work Even By Power," I must take issue on several points with the writer. It is evident that the information gained in the article is not from any one that has ever sheared a sheep. She states that all the work follows an east to west route. This is entirely wrong. The work always follows a course from south to north and from the low countries to the high. Work does start in Arizona first, from there the shearers drop over into California and work northward. About the time the work is finishing in northern California it also starts in southern Idaho, the Yakima valley in Washington and on the Columbia river in Oregon and Washington. The high countries of all these follow next. The last of all are Montana and the highlands of Wyoming. In ordinary years it is all finished by the first week in July.

As to some old-time shearers being able to shear a hundred in a day, please let me inform Miss Lund—that this writer has seen it done hundreds of times. Even 200 was not unusual.

The power driven machine was first brought into Oregon in 1903. This writer worked on the first plant ever set up in Oregon. The advent of the electrical plant was not six years ago as she states but as long ago as 1925. The highest tally ever made in this country was made in 1912 by a shearer in Montana. This tally was 372 sheep in nine hours. Many men in this country have sheared over 300 sheep in nine hours. Two hundred is not at all uncommon. Many men shear that many day after day through the season. This writer has done it many times.

But, there is one thing Miss Lund did not mention. Even if the shearer does get 200 in a day, he earns every penny he gets for this work is without doubt the most monotonous type of work there is. Exactly the same thing is done day after day in exactly the same manner. There is absolutely no deviation whatever. Few people, in watching a shearer, realize that he has a set and fast rule regarding his work; each and every sheep is sheared exactly the same. Most of the men work until they are exhausted every night. The reason for this is that the more they shear the more money they make. Added in with this is the fact that there is always a rivalry among the shearers. Each and every one of them wants to be the "high-roller" of the crew. If he can't be that he at least wants to beat the man next to him, and will if he has the power within him to do so.

The average shearer now shears from 6000 to 12,000 sheep in a season. The average 15 years ago was much higher, running then from 18,000 to 30,000. Twenty five years ago as many as 400,000 sheep were sheared in one plant; shearers are lucky now if they get to shear 10,000 in a single setting. Most of the jobs run from 1000 to 3000.

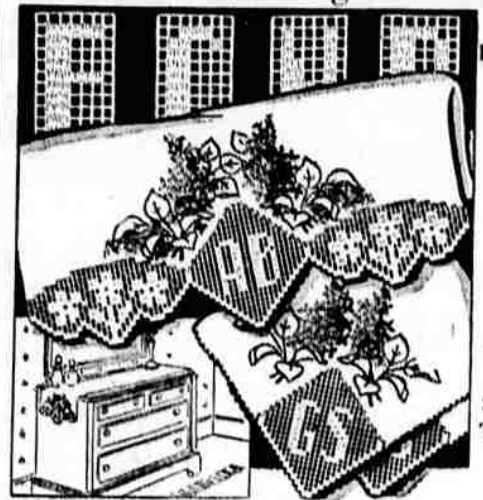
Some one asks "are the shearers faster than 20 years ago?" The answer is no. They do better work than they did then, but they don't shear as many sheep in a day.

This writer has sheared over 200,000 sheep in his lifetime and can truthfully agree with Miss Lund that it is still hard work—just as hard as it ever was.

Gene Logan.

The wedding ring was regarded as a pagan symbol by the early Puritans.

## This is Fascinating Needlework



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## USO Kept in Civilians' Hands for Reason, Claim

SALEM, Ore., June 12—With the united service organizations appeal for morale-building funds well under way, Frank H. Lonergan, Oregon state campaign chairman, today issued a convincing statement in answer to a question most often upon the lips of persons hearing about the USO for the first time.

Workers throughout the state report that the big question is "why does not the government take over and make the service clubs and their operation a part of the defense effort? Wouldn't this be much simpler than having a campaign like the USO?"

Lonergan's answer is a decisive "no." He cites his reasons as follows:

"Our army is essentially a civilian army. Its members are not soldiers at heart as are the men in the dictator-ridden countries. When American boys get through their military chores they want to shuck the whole thing and be themselves until it is time for 'work' again. So they strike out for the nearest place where they can forget soldiering and be individuals even if only for a short time."

"Any army or navy service club, no matter how carefully run, could never be plausible to a uniformed man as anything but a branch of the government."

he is trying to get away from for a few hours. Service clubs staffed and equipped by civilian organizations, particularly those he has known and trusted for years, will give him what he wants.

"The same thing goes for the religious side. A chaplain is a grand thing, but he is an officer and there are few who can ever attain to the position occupied by the minister, priest or rabbi back home. Any religious influence in a USO service club would be a natural one, any under government supervision would arouse suspicion. Church and state have been separated too long in the minds of Americans for soldiers and sailors ever to really accept one under the guise of the other—except in serious emergencies."

"So, having the service clubs USO units and not government units is obviously the only answer to the question. The private lives of Americans have always been their own. To change that now would be a step towards something we all want to avoid."

The United States imported 149,768,000 pounds of spices in 1939 with a total value of \$15,100,000.

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