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WASHINGTON, June 4—Vast war programs often run off into fragmentary absurdities, but rarely into as intricate a labyrinth as the agriculture department's hog buying for Britain.

Our government is paying high prices for pork products to ship to Britain—and getting them from Canada. The Canadians have a surplus of hogs and are selling—not lending or leasing—these to the British for pounds sterling. The United States on the other hand is buying at relatively higher prices and lending or leasing to London. Thus, Canadian hog growers have been able to get more for their hogs by sending to the United States to give to Britain, rather than selling directly to their mother country. First four months of this year Canada exported 10,450 hogs to the United States, compared with only 18 head the same four months last year.

The Canadians do not like this, are trying to stop it. The Canadian bacon board first promised a dollar extra per 100 pounds to its growers on sales to Britain. This was done in May, but failed to prove sufficient inducement. Now a licensing system is being imposed on packers who want to ship to the United States.

To top it off, the British are selling the pork they get from us and using the money for general purposes. The way this works, the United States federal marketing administration buys the pork with the lend-lease money and ships it to Britain on credit. Presumably this government will be paid back in the same way it is repaid all lend-lease advances, sometime in the future.

INVASION DOUBTED
 Hitler is always doing the unexpected, but an invasion of England before September is just too unexpected to be considered possible. The nights now last only five hours or less at the channel and fogs cannot be counted upon to cover any invasion effort before early fall. It would seem logical for Hitler to try to clean up the eastern Mediterranean and then Gibraltar before trying invasion in September.

ICKES' JOB
 The president's designation of Interior Secretary Ickes as director of the oil industry was a move which Ickes long had sought before congressional committees, by legislation and otherwise. Mr. Roosevelt sanctioned it at long last, presumably to implement his defense action speech.

The only new justification for government seizure of the reins of one of the largest industries apparently is that the government had recently seized coastwise oil tankers for British aid and therefore had itself caused a transportation shortage. Resistance from the industry is likely to remain as anonymous as the first comment from the manager who said he was "knocked speechless." The move has clearly hit a demoralized industry.

Ickes, of course, is the man least likely to succeed in coordinating an industry whose leaders he has always fought bitterly. How much unity and cooperation his choice will promote is therefore a matter of intense speculation here, all on the obvious side. The first result is likely to be that the America first committee can raise a few

SIDE GLANCES

NEXT BLOW
 The British have picked up some information indicating what they may expect next. Benito and Adolf, they hear, planned intensification of the direct land attack on Egypt and a simultaneous strike for Cyprus and Syria.

To meet it, the British may have to destroy the Mosul pipeline and oil wells and invade Syria, regardless of Vichy.

Odds are heavily against them, but the strongest possible resistance is necessary in furtherance of their general war policy. Their authorities have led out to believe they will not get out of the eastern Mediterranean one minute before they are forced out.

SHORTAGE SEEN
 Letdown in bombing attacks on Britain during the 12-day attack on Crete has made the British wonder whether Hitler has as many planes as claimed. No other explanation for the sudden cessation of bombing is available except the obvious indication that Hitler had insufficient fuel, pilots or ships to fight actively on two fronts at the same time.

TWO SPRAGUE RIVER MILLS EYED BY AFL

The Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union (AFL) this week will make demands for union recognition in the two Sprague River lumber firms, Organizer Joe Boyd said Tuesday.

The union is prepared to prove their claim to a majority at both the Crater Lake Box and Lumber company and the Hoesley Logging company, Boyd stated. Employees of both firms have been working under an agreement recognizing the Industrial Employees union as their bargaining agent until last week when IEU headquarters announced the disbanding of their organization throughout the entire northwest. At the time of disbandment IEU members were urged to join the AFL.

Meanwhile in three other former IEU mills the AFL was claiming a majority and placing charters. The three, all in the Rogue River valley, were the Medford corporation, employing approximately 400 men; the Ingram Lumber company at Gledale, Ore., and the Timber Products company of Medford.

Delegates from the three mill groups will attend a meeting of the Klamath District council here next Sunday, Boyd said.



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HUMBLE ELECTED LIONS PRESIDENT

Clarence A. Humble, assistant district attorney, is the new president of the Klamath Lions club. Other officers elected by the Lions are:

John Cusick, vice president; Everett Vanderpool, secretary-treasurer; C. C. Voight, lion tamer; R. E. Wright, tail twister; Merle Adams and Allan Otto, board for two years; Merle Wahl one year on board. R. E. Hooker is a holdover board member.

Seek Relatives — Sanford Lenard Sandgren, thought to have formerly made his home in Klamath Falls, died suddenly in his hotel room Monday in Stockton, Calif., according to word received here by city police. Sandgren is thought to have relatives in this section and anyone having details of his family is asked to call city police.

Tire Stolen — Charles R. Parish of 529 Jefferson street, Wednesday reported the theft of a spare tire from his car.

AFU UNION REPORTS SIGNING WITH SHAW

A collective bargaining agreement between the Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union (AFL) and the Shaw Lumber company was reported Wednesday to have been signed Tuesday night following the recent AFL victory at an NLRB election poll.

According to AFL Organizer Joe Boyd, the contract was signed by J. R. Shaw for the company and John Shirney and Marshall Coate, president and secretary of the AFL local 2344.

The following five points were reportedly granted the union by the new contract:

1. Sole collective bargaining rights.
 2. An unrestricted plant committee to handle grievances.
 3. Promotions and filling of vacancies on the basis of strict seniority.
 4. Voluntary submission of disputes to arbitration.
 5. Safety provisions.
- The AFL was recently declared sole bargaining agent by the National Labor Relations board following two board elections. The first, resulting in no majority between the CIO, the AFL and "no-union," was decided when the AFL decisively whipped the rival union in a runoff poll.

POLICE CHIEF GIVES REPORT FOR MAY WORK

Six persons were injured in automobile accidents within the city limits of Klamath Falls during the month of May according to Chief of Police Frank Hamlin who submitted his month end report to the city council Monday night.

A total of 246 persons were arrested, bringing the total for the year of 1939; 98 automobile accidents were reported, and no traffic deaths.

Robbery, 4; aggravated assault, 2; burglary, 9; larceny, over \$50, 1; under \$50, 31; auto theft, 14. Embezzlement, 2; offenses against family and children, 1; liquor violations, 2 drunkenness, 147; disorderly conduct, 13; vagrancy, 36; drunken driving, 2; violation road and driving laws, 11; violation parking regulations, 133; traffic laws, 11; held for investigation, 1; prowlers and peeping toms, 2; all other offenses not above 1.

Bails and fines reported collected by the police judge, \$1078.40; missing persons, 12; missing persons located, 10; miscellaneous public, 12; receipts, 4; lost property, 10; found property, 5; lost animals, 3; found animals, 1; juvenile delinquents, 6; vandalism, 10; miscellaneous officers, 8; orders, 5; injured cared for, 1; information, 2; dead bodies found, 1; wanted located, 6; attempted breaking and entering, 3; abandoned bicycle, 6; impounded bicycle, 1.

KF BAND LEADS 2 COMING PARADES

In all probability the City band will have plenty to do in the near future. First of all the Municipal band will meet next Monday evening in front of the Elks lodge where in turn they will meet the city soft ballers for a parade down the main thoroughfare. Secondly the meeting which they had planned for the same night will not be held until June 24.

Plans are also being made to have the band lead the Elks flag parade on June 12. They will meet in front of Bal-siger's at 7 p. m. and lead the parade to the Elks lodge where a music concert would be held.

Comment in Brief

EX-KAISER WILHELM died Wednesday at a time when his grandiose scheme of German conquest of 1914-18 is being repeated on an even bigger and grander scale, and, thus far, with no signs of the failure that ended the kaiser's ambitions.

What the kaiser thought of Adolf Hitler's Nazi regime has been indicated in reports he had said it was "a step in the right direction" when Hitler took over in 1933.

Human nature being what it is, it is very likely the former kaiser witnessed the triumph of German arms in the past two years with considerable satisfaction. If the new German conquest eventually goes the way of 1918, the kaiser won't be here to witness the wreck.

One great factor in the defeat of the kaiser's machine in 1918 was the rugged, stubborn determination of the British, whose morale held then in the face of disappointments and terrific punishment. In April, 1917, the British were declared by Germany to have been "beaten to their knees" by the German U-boat campaign. Yet they fought on to victory.

As an indication of British morale at this even more dangerous time, there is the demand in England today for strong action in dealing with the Vichy French in the serious problem of Syria. The Associated Press states the British "press and public alike have demanded that Britain act boldly and stop placating Vichy."

Despite the seriousness of a war with France, their former ally, the British are evidently ready to take the step if circumstances make it advisable.

There is talk of "gasless Sundays" in the east because of the possibility of petroleum shortage there after July 1. Experts in their reports to the government have said there is no national oil shortage, but that transportation problems will make it increasingly difficult to meet the gasoline needs of the heavy population and the concentrated defense industries of the east.

As time goes on, there may be another good reason for being thankful we live in the west.

Young orators of Southern Oregon will speak on "Americanism, the Protector of Liberty" in the Elks oratorical contest at the Elks lodge Thursday evening at 9 p. m.

The Klamath county contest, held two weeks ago, proved both interesting and inspiring. This time, representatives from Jackson and Josephine counties as well as Klamath will compete. The event is open to the public and will be worth attending.

76 FIRE PERMITS INDICATE SPRING

Spring was definitely included in the May report presented to the city council Monday night by Fire Chief Keith K. Ambrose who reported 76 "clean-up" fire permits issued during that period. Four hazards were removed in May, and 57 inspections made. There were 12 alarms answered, two of which were false. Total fire loss during the month was \$701.27, of this amount \$531.27 covered by insurance.

Following is Chief Ambrose's report:

Fires classified by occupancy: dwellings, 5; metal workers, 1; miscellaneous, 2; motor vehicles, 2; total, 10.

Classified by cause: electricity or defective wiring, 2; matches and careless smokers, 4; open lights, 1; gas, 1; defective flues, 2; total, 10.

Inter-Continent Highway to Be Subject of Talk

Hugh A. Matier, Union Oil company public relations representative, will speak to the Kiwanis club of Klamath Falls June 5 on the topic of an Alaska-Argentina highway, a proposed automobile route which will connect the two Americas from Fairbanks to Buenos Aires.

The talk is open to the public, and anyone who wishes may attend. Matier will illustrate his lecture with slide pictures.

NO TRUANT CASES REPORTED IN MAY

There were no cases of truancy brought to the attention of his office during the month of May, according to a report submitted to the city council Monday night by Dave Bridge, city recreational director. Following is the month-end report:

Junior police court, 4; Junior police traffic, 4; school boy patrols, 18; investigations, 26; interviews, 100; meetings, 9; speeches, 11; conference with Stanley R. Church, director of traffic safety, bikes recovered, 4; licenses issued to date, 815; total amount received, \$202.25.

REAL ESTATE DEAL

WEST CHESTER, Pa. (AP)—Attending a public auction out of curiosity, a tailor thought it was time to act when there were no bids on a three-story building. He started the ball rolling with \$10,000 and that turned out to be the only bid.

"It was just a joke," he explained afterward. "I thought the building would fetch several times \$10,000 and I only wanted to get the bidding started. I don't want the building and I don't have the money to pay for it."

A trust company agreed to another sale but the tailor will be held liable for the difference if the property brings less than \$10,000.

LOCKHEED EXPERT TO VISIT KLAMATH

An employment agent of the Lockheed Aircraft company of Los Angeles will be in Klamath Falls during the week of June 9 to interview members of the local aircraft sheet metal class, the Oregon State Employment service said Tuesday.

Lockheed, in the midst of constantly increasing defense work, has taken a large number of graduates of similar schools throughout the west.

Meanwhile 40 students continued their study at the day and night classes in Klamath Union high quarters as additional equipment continued to come in.

Maybe the girl who doesn't use rouge thinks discretion is the better part of pallor.

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