

Congress Takes Recess, United On War Measures, At Odds On Home Issues

WASHINGTON, July 9 (AP)—Free for the first long recess of the war, the 76th congress left today to talk things over with the voters back home after a session hectic in its division over domestic issues but historic in its unity on matters of the nation's resources for victory.

Italy's Island Defenses Are Battered Anew

Hundreds Of Allied Planes Hit Bases 6th Straight Day
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, July 9 (AP)—Hundreds of allied planes shuttled back and forth across the Mediterranean yesterday for the sixth consecutive day to rain explosives upon the Sicilian airdromes and ports which constitute Italy's first line of defense, it was announced today.

Yanks Moving Up On Munda, Nazis Hurl Fresh Troops, New Tanks Into Red Battle

MOSCOW, July 9 (AP)—The battle of the Kursk salient mounted in intensity today as the Germans threw in fresh troops and new tanks to exploit a wedge in Russian defenses near Belgorod and batter the unyielding northern section of the Soviet line.

Enemy Bases Dealt Heavy Air Smashes

Defenses Of Major Jap Stronghold Being Tested
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, July 9 (AP)—Only three miles from Munda, United States invaders are probing Japanese defenses of that New Guinea island air base and over both the Solomons and New Guinea allied planes have dealt new blows with nearly 100 tons of bombs, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters reported today.



Moving On Munda—United States forces are battling Munda's airfield after they landed at rice anchorage on Kula Gulf (upper black arrow) and at Zana (lower black arrow) preparatory to squeezing the Japanese off New Georgia Island (open arrows).

New Housing Facilities Ready Soon

Several apartments are going to be available to war workers within a few days as more lease-conversion projects are completed, L. S. Patterson, representing the National Housing Agency, said Friday.

Storms Cause Heavy Damage In Panhandle

By The Associated Press
Moore county in the north plains region surveyed thousands of dollars worth of crop and property damage today, toll of tornado winds and heavy rain that sent 10 persons to a hospital and battered the Dumas residential and business districts.



Missing—Rose Marie Brancato, 27, (above) New Haven, Conn., Journal Courier woman's page and school editor, has been missing from her West Haven home since Monday night.

RAF Goes Into Action Again, Cologne Hit

LONDON, July 9 (AP)—The RAF, returning to the assault on Germany after a four-night lull in the Allied aerial offensive, made a heavy attack on the Rhine industrial center of Cologne last night, the air ministry announced today.

Subsidy Fight Not Yet Over

WASHINGTON, July 9 (AP)—A vacation-bound congress left the administration with a free hand today to pay subsidies for a roll-back of retail food prices but there were signs of another fight to force on legislative shackles next fall.

Quotas On Cotton For This Year To Be Suspended

WASHINGTON, July 9 (AP)—The war food administration prepared an order today suspending rigid AAA marketing quotas on the 1943 cotton crop.

No France To Recognize, Says FD

WASHINGTON, July 9 (AP)—As long as the French people are under German domination, President Roosevelt indicated today, the United States cannot recognize the French Committee for National Liberation nor any other organization as the governing power of France.

FD Won't Give Lewis Orders

WASHINGTON, July 9 (AP)—President Roosevelt gave a clear indication today that he has no intention of asking John L. Lewis to sign a new agreement with coal operators, as the mine union chief has been ordered to do by the War Labor Board.

U. S. Subs Bag A Ship A Day

WASHINGTON, July 9 (AP)—U. S. submarines, slicing through Pacific waters in ever-mounting numbers, are knocking off Japanese ships at the rate of one a day.

British Town Hit By Nazi Raiders

LONDON, July 9 (AP)—German raiders dropped high explosives on a town in southeast England and a southeast coast resort today while others gave London its first daylight alert since June 27.

Polio Cases Number 256

AUSTIN, July 9 (AP)—As the state health department officially tabulated 256 cases of infantile paralysis (poliomyelitis) in 66 counties this year on the latest available figures, precautions against further spread of the disease were reiterated by officials here.

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Airlines Cutting Passenger Fares

OKLAHOMA CITY, July 9 (AP)—Braniff Airways announced its passenger fares would be reduced July 15 to the levels of first class Pullman railroad rates, in compliance with a request of the Civil Aeronautics Board.

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AP Asks An Open Trial Of Govt. Anti-Trust Suit

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Editorial - - Home Directors Need Authority

Under our Constitution the President of the United States is commander-in-chief of all the armed forces, and therefore is at the head of the program for carrying on the war. That provision in the Constitution was a wise one, for it prevents this country from being subjected to such turn-overs as are common in many other Republics...

ONE WORLD By Wendell L. Willkie

Chapter Five In Moscow I had two long talks with Josef Stalin. Much of what was said I am not at liberty to report.

But about the man himself there is no reason to be cautious. He is one of the significant men of this generation. At his invitation I called on him one evening at 7:30. He apparently has most of his conferences at night. His office was a fair-sized room about 18 by 25 feet.

Conference Table Stalin and Molotov were standing to welcome me at the far end of a long oak conference table. They greeted me simply and we talked for some three hours—about the war, about what would come after, about Stalingrad and the front, about America's position, the relationship of Great Britain, the United States, and Russia, and about many other important and unimportant subjects. State Dinner A few days later I spent some five hours sitting next to Stalin, through the numerous courses of a state dinner which he gave for me; later while we all drank coffee at little tables in another room, and finally through a private showing of a motion picture of the siege and defense of Moscow.

of the Anglo-American-Soviet coalition in the European war. These are the goals he calls for. "Abolition of racial exclusiveness, equality of nations and integrity of their territories, liberation of enslaved nations and restoration of their sovereign rights, the right of every nation to arrange its affairs as it wishes, economic aid to nations that have suffered and assistance to them in attaining their material welfare, restoration of democratic liberties, the destruction of the Hitlerite regime."

Many among the democracies fear and mistrust Soviet Russia. They dread the inroads of an economic order that would be destructive of their own. Weakness Such fear is weakness. Russia is neither going to eat us nor seduce us. That is—and this is something for us to think about—that is, unless our democratic institutions and our free economy become so frail through abuse and failure in practice as to make us soft and vulnerable.

The best answer to communism is a living, vibrant, fearless democracy—economic, social, and political. All we need to do is to stand up and perform according to our professed ideals. Then those ideals will be safe.

We need to learn to work with her in the world after the war. For Russia is a dynamic country, a vital new society, a force that cannot be bypassed in any future world. The Register and Tribune Syndicate

Hollywood Sights And Sounds— Makes A Hit In Films --Then Uncle Sam Calls

By ROBBIN COONS HOLLYWOOD — One day soon an obscure private in some Army camp is going to wake up, in the usual grey dawn, and find himself acclaimed as a coming movie star. And if I know Bob Ryan, he'll read the notices, grin philosophically, and put no less snap than usual into the business of being a good soldier.

For more than a year, his name meaning nothing to most fans, and little to most of Hollywood, he has been canning his bids for recognition. Shortly now the cans will be opened, the screen will reveal the contents, and the ladies will start writing letters to the tall, husky, likeable chap billed as Robert Ryan. The letters will have to be forwarded. Bob was trying on uniforms by the time the first five pictures, "Bombardier," "Name, Age, and Occupation,"

for a hero—an actor who didn't look like one, a man who was big, rugged and typically American in appearance. Lorentz's picture was shelved as too costly midway in production, but Ryan was in—specifically, in time, in "Bombardier," "The Sky's the Limit," "The Iron Major" and "Behind the Rising Sun!" It had taken him long to decide that acting was his work. Born in Chicago 33 years ago, he lived within a few blocks of the old Eesman studio. At Dartmouth he starred in football, track, and boxing while majoring in English, aspiring to write, and fitting himself for nothing in particular on graduation—in 1932, of all years. The next few years he worked as sandhog, seaman, salesman, sewer builder, miner, cowhand, WPA laborer and paving supervisor. His odddest job was as chauffeur to a gentleman he later learned was a gangster.

Later it was precisely because he didn't look like an actor that he got into pictures. Pare Lorenz, with ambitious plans for a semi-documentary feature entitled "Name, Age, and Occupation," found in Ryan the man he needed

Stalin, I should judge, is about 5 feet 4 or 5, and gives the appearance of slight stockiness. I was surprised to find how short he is, but his head, his mustache, and his eyes are big.

His face, in repose, is a hard face, and he looks tired in September—not sick, as is so often reported, but desperately tired. He has a right to be. He talks quietly, readily, and at times with a simple, moving eloquence. When he described to me Russia's desperate situation as to fuel, transportation, military equipment, and man power, he was genuinely dramatic. Stalin told me again and again that his propaganda was deliberately designed to make his people hate the Nazis, but it was obvious that he himself had a certain bitter admiration for the efficiency by which Hitler had transplanted to Germany as much as 94 per cent of the working population from some of the conquered Russian territory.

When we talked of the causes of the war and the economic and political conditions that would face the world after it was over, his comprehension was broad, his detailed information exact, and the cold reality of his thinking apparent. Stalin is a hard man, perhaps even a cruel man, but a very able one. He has few illusions. His admiration for the effectiveness of American production methods would more than satisfy the National Association of Manufacturers. On the personal side Stalin is a simple man, with no affections or poses. He does not seek to impress by any artificial mannerisms. His sense of humor is a robust one, and he laughs readily at unsubtle jokes and repartee. Once I was telling him of the Soviet schools and libraries I had seen—how good they seemed to me.

And I added, "But if you continue to educate the Russian people, Mr. Stalin, the first thing you know you'll educate yourself out of a job." He threw his head back and laughed and laughed. Nothing I said to him, through two long evenings, seemed to amuse him as much. As I was leaving him after my first talk, I expressed appreciation of the time he had given me, the honor he conferred in talking so candidly. A little embarrassed, he said: "Mr. Willkie, you know I grew up a Georgian peasant. I am unschooled in pretty talk. All I can say is I like you very much." Stalin's Program Since I have returned to the United States, Mr. Stalin has defined the program, as he sees it,

Bridge



I KNOW IT'S SILLY, BUT I JUST CAN'T HELP WORRYING ABOUT HIM. HE'S SO YOUNG AND SO IMPULSIVE. HE'LL BE CERTAIN TO PLAY WITH SOME OF THOSE BAD TEMPERED SERGEANTS, AND WHEN HE TAKES ONE OF THEM OUT OF A BUSINESS, DOUBLE I WATE TO THINK WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO HIM. COULD THEY COUNT MARTIAL HIM FOR THAT?

OH, WELL, A FEW DAYS IN THE JUNGLE WON'T HURT HIM

'Man Who Stayed Behind' Mystery Leader Of France

(Editor's note: The following article was written by Edward Kennedy, chief of The Associated Press Bureau in Algiers who is now visiting in this country.)

By EDWARD KENNEDY (AP) Features— NEW YORK — As General Charles DeGaulle and Henri Girard grapple for the leadership of the French, reports trickle into Algiers of another leader, one who has recently emerged as the guiding spirit of resistance inside France.

who at present has only one aim—to liberate France.

His movement, it is said, is imbued with a hatred of the Germans and Vichy, unusual even in this hated-torn world of today, so deep runs its fever.

It is conceivable that the leader in France heard radio appeals to join the Fighting French abroad as he hid in a hayloft, but turned a deaf ear to them. There are many in France, according to refugees, who decided the best way to redeem France was to stay there. The Committee of National Liberation set up in Algiers has itself recognized the work of those who stayed behind by leaving two places vacant for men who may join it in the future.

How the French underground works is indicated by a story told to me in Algiers a short time ago by a man who had just arrived from France. "I come from the north of France," he said. "For many months I was undecided. My family did not have enough to eat and things got worse and worse. I finally decided to come.

"Once I started out, I was surprised how easy it was. I never entered any city or large town. But there was always a peasant to put me up for the night and give me food. And when set out again he could always give me the name of another peasant for the next stop. But that was hardly necessary—almost any peasant will do it. It is the peasants who have shown themselves the most loyal Frenchmen. And there was always someone to direct me, to tell me whom to see when I arrived at X or Y or Z. And when I arrived at a spot on the coast, where others had converged, there was a little boat waiting." The guerrillas in the mountains are keeping to themselves at present, though a few months ago, one group in Savoie clashed with German troops who set out to wipe them out. They are still in the hills there and others are in the hills throughout France. The Germans, refugees say, have succeeded in one thing—they have cleared coastal regions of any groups which might aid allied landings. But beyond that they have been unable to do much to the soldiers in the hills.

Washington Daybook— Little Joe Worries GOPs

By JACK STINNETT COLUMBUS, O. — Every state has its political characters, but Ohio's "Little Joe" Ferguson belongs in the "I-can't-happen-here" column.

Joseph T. Ferguson is the state auditor and the only Democratic elective officer in the state capitol building. He's five-foot-four, still young enough to have a lot of politics ahead of him, and the father of eight children between seven and 20 years old. In 1940, while Republican Gov. John W. Bricker was piling up a 360,000-vote over Martin L. Davey, "Little Joe" was licking his Republican opponent by around 45,000 votes. Any man who can register that kind of statewide upset is either a past or political genius—depending on whether you're a gin him or for him.

Erison E. Spangier, chairman of the national Republican committee, had announced that he would be here for a few between-session conferences with the Republican state executives. About a week before the annual governor's conference was to convene, "Little Joe" started noising about with plans for "a caucus of Democratic governors." Gov. John W. Bricker, host to the conference, must have seen immediately the prospect of the whole thing becoming a political shindig. He got in touch with Spangier and Spangier quickly discovered he "had business to attend to in Chicago" and just couldn't possibly make connections here. "Little Joe" held his party, but there wasn't anything political about it. As a matter of fact, only a few of the Democratic state executives showed for the purely social affair. Nevertheless, you can understand why "Little Joe" is a thorn in the side of (Continued on Classified Page)

Crossword Puzzle section with grid and clues. Clues include: 1. Took food, 2. Turn the front wheel, 3. Busy dump, 4. Happen again, 5. The herb eva, 6. Beverage, 7. Nourishing, 8. Takes away, 9. Inane, 10. Cap, 11. Speechless, 12. Sand hills, 13. English, 14. Make over, 15. Second crop, 16. Negative, 17. Metre land, 18. Yawned, 19. Haul, 20. Symbol for iron. Solutions provided for some words like: 1. Rescued, 2. Buffalo, 3. Paris of the, 4. Malaran, 5. The musician of Hamelin, 6. Edible fungus, 7. Clear of an, 8. Accusation, 9. Lagoon name, 10. Thing: law, 11. Number, 12. Type measures, 13. Olfactory, 14. Dutch city, 15. Medding in-former, 16. Constituents, 17. Desire, 18. Rest again, 19. Youth beloved, 20. Silent, 21. Supposed, 22. Belonging to the nobility, 23. Roughly elliptical, 24. American theatrical manager, 25. Minimum emanation, 26. Metaliferous rocks, 27. Cried like a, 28. Current of air, 29. Tied with heavy cord, 30. Counted over, 31. Theater boxes, 32. Talks enthusiastically, 33. Pertaining to a part of Palestine, 34. Alarm whistle, 35. Act out of sorts, 36. To the other side, 37. Measure of capacity, 38. Heraldic cross, 39. Arching over, 40. Draft animals, 41. Young man, 42. Narrow road, 43. River: Spanish.

Germany Claims Tank Production Bigger Than Ever

LONDON, July 9. (AP)—A German production report, widely at variance with Allied declarations that heavy bombings have cut down Reich factory operations, asserted today that production of heavy tanks, said a Berlin broadcast recorded by the Associated Press, increased 200 per cent in the six months ended with May while ammunition turned out during that month more than equaled the output for a six-month period in 1941. The U. S. Army Service Forces handles more merchandise than any other organization in world history.

The Big Spring Herald section with publication details and a small cartoon titled 'AMNIE ROONEY'.

Comic strip 'BLONDIE' showing a man in a suit talking to a woman, with dialogue about fifty cents and a first-class job.

Comic strip 'BARNIE & SNUFFY' featuring a pig and a dog with dialogue about checking out Trinidad and going to Africa.

Comic strip 'PATSY' showing a man and a woman in a boat, with dialogue about gaining and getting closer.

Comic strip 'AMNIE ROONEY' featuring a woman and a man with dialogue about money, a meal, and a job.

