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Robin Moor Sinking 'Outlaw' Act--FD

Russians Promise To Defend All Borders Against Any Attack

Oil Exports Placed Under U. S. Control

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—By direction of President Roosevelt all petroleum products were subjected today to export control, and exports from the eastern seaboard may be only to the British Empire, Egypt, and the western hemisphere.

The White House disclosed that the president had directed the export control administrator to place the restrictions on oil products.

A plan will be prepared, the White House said, for the most effective use of tanker facilities in supplying petroleum to the eastern seaboard and the other American republics.

Further restriction of shipments of petroleum from the Gulf or Pacific ports is not contemplated, the White House said.

The chief executive acted, apparently, because of a threatened shortage of oil and gasoline along the eastern seaboard. The shortage has become imminent because of lack of transportation facilities, resulting from the transfer of tankers to Britain.

Finland Calls More Men To Army Service

MOSCOW, June 20 (AP)—There was no outward indication in Moscow today that Soviet Russia expects an invasion but the government newspaper, *Izvestia*, declared that "neither through the forests, nor the steppes, mountains nor seas will the enemy ever step across the forbidden boundary."

While the capital was perfectly calm, intensive training of the red army and its reserves was underway throughout the soviet union.

The Russians were represented as ready to answer blow for blow any attempt to violate the soviet frontier.

This stand was reiterated by *Izvestia* when it was said "the enemy" would never trespass on the far-flung borders. *Izvestia's* declaration came in a description of the special border units of the NKVD (state police) "who keep watch all year round, day and night, afoot, on horse and camel, or drawn by reindeer."

(The word gave full geographical scope to the watchfulness of the soviet union over her frontiers.)

Mann, O'Daniel Here Tomorrow

Big Spring is likely to assume a regular holiday atmosphere Saturday, as two candidates for U. S. senator visit the city.

The double-dose of campaigning will be offered at the courthouse lawn before noon, with Governor W. Lee O'Daniel likely to be the first speaker to arrive and Gerald C. Mann due before lunch.



GERALD C. MANN



W. LEE O'DANIEL

Texas Senate May Recess

AUSTIN, June 20 (AP)—An unprecedented senate recess subject to call of the chair loomed today as a means of forcing adjournment on the overtime general session of the legislature.

The deadlock over a quipping date was not lessened yesterday when both houses killed proposals of the other. The house sought a recess to enable the legislature to return later and act on possible vetoes of Governor W. Lee O'Daniel while the senate held out for adjournment.

Bootlegging Cases Filed

Curtalement of liquor sale through drug stores by the new prescription sale law has brought about a revival of old dry-land bootlegging methods, says Billy McIlroy, liquor control board supervisor here.

"But we can catch the bootleggers," asserted McIlroy. "Getting a conviction on the drug stores under the old law was mighty hard, but we can stop this old-fashioned bootlegging."

As proof of his boast, McIlroy cited 30 cases filed this week in three dry counties of his district. In each case he was assisted by local officers in the counties involved.

Seven cases have been filed in Scurry county charging sale of liquor in a dry area. Eight such cases have been filed in Dawson county.

In Gaines county, 15 cases have been made. In several of these, the brew being peddled was of Mexican vintage and bore neither state nor federal tax stamps. This subjects the bootleggers for three-way prosecution; sale of liquor in a dry area; possession of liquor without state tax paid; and sale of liquor without federal tax paid.

11 More Firms Oppose Defense Bond 100 Pct. List

Eleven firms were added to the list of 100 per cent concerns here today as the drive for defense savings bonds and stamps sales spread.

The total businesses in Big Spring which have enlisted total support of management and employes has now reached 124. New names reported Friday are Empire Southern Service, Douglas Hotel, Lee Hanson, F. W. Woolworth, Albert M. Fisher, Laras Beauty Shop, G. F. Wacker Store, Post-office Cafe, Darby Bakery, Big Spring Hardware and Hester's Office Supply.

US-Axis May Be Near Break In Relations

Italian Consular Officials May Be Expelled

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—A diplomatic war of nerves brought the United States and the Rome-Berlin axis today perilously close to formal severance of relations.

The initiative for the moment appeared to rest with the United States, and informed sources predicted that President Roosevelt would act promptly by setting a deadline for all Italian consular officials to leave this country.

This would hit back at Italy for her part in the axis double-play yesterday, directing the expulsion of all American consular officials from Germany, Italy and seven axis conquered nations by July 15.

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Bible School Ends Tonight

Vacation Bible School will be ended here for approximately 275 youngsters in exercises slated for 8 p. m. today at the First Methodist and First Baptist churches.

No less than 245 received certificates Thursday evening at the conclusion of the East Fourth Baptist church school. The three churches cooperated in a simultaneous effort.

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Airport Equipment Is Arriving Here

Equipment for use in excavating for four runways on the municipal airport project had started arriving here Thursday evening, B. J. McDaniel, city engineer, reported.

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Declares U. S. Won't Yield Use Of High Seas To Nazis

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WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—President Roosevelt described the sinking of the Robin Moor today as ruthless and the act of "an international outlaw" and declared that the United States did not propose to yield use of the high seas to Germany.

The president made his pronouncement on the sinking of the American vessel in a special message to congress which permitted of stronger language than a formal diplomatic note.

Mr. Roosevelt stated without qualification that the vessel was sunk by a German submarine.

The Robin Moor went down in the South Atlantic on May 21 and all its passengers and crew subsequently reached safety.

Funeral Set Saturday For L. F. Lawrence

Luther Franklin Lawrence, for whom the Luther postoffice in northern Howard county was named, succumbed in a local hospital at 2:35 Thursday afternoon. He would have been 51 on Nov. 12, and had lived in Howard county since 1907. Mr. Lawrence had retired as postmaster at Luther on Feb. 1, 1940.

A veteran in the postal service, he first served as a postmaster at

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Last Tax Notices Are Mailed Out

Last of the notices to property owners of the regular meeting of the Howard county board of equalization June 30 have been mailed out, many showing marked increase in property valuations.

At the hearing, property owners will have opportunity to ask the board for lower assessments.

Five More Days To Cast Absentee Votes

AUSTIN, June 20 (AP)—Absentee voters have five more days in which to cast ballots for the special senatorial election June 23.

Such voting began June 5 and will be concluded June 23.

In Travis county only 260 absentee ballots had been received, although in primary the total often runs to 1,500 to 2,000.

Rayburn Votes For Johnson

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex.) voted by absentee ballot today for Representative Lyndon B. Johnson for senator from Texas.

He issued a statement asserting that "with malice toward none, and being deeply sensible of my responsibilities as a citizen," he had decided to support Johnson.

Improvements Made By Piggly Wiggly For Anniversary

Marking the observance of its sixth anniversary in Big Spring, Piggly-Wiggly food store has instituted improvements at its place at 419 Main.

In addition to pointing to sale bargains, J. K. Crain, manager, reminded that venetian blinds had been installed over the windows to remove glare. Another change was the addition of a 12x3-foot vegetable unit atop the G&K unit containing attachments to keep materials fresh and crisp.

U. S. SUB OVERDUE FROM TEST DIVE

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., June 20 (AP)—The navy reported today that one of its oldest submarines, the O-9, a small undersea boat recently brought back into commission, was seven hours overdue on a test dive off the Isles of Shoals, not far from where the *Squalus* sank two years ago with the loss of 35 lives.

The rescue ship *Falcon*, which aided in finally bringing the *Squalus* to the surface was reported at the scene.

'Go Slow' On Tires, Gasoline And Electricity

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—An official "go slow" warning was posted today for tire buyers all over the nation, gasoline users in the east, and electricity consumers in the southeast.

To meet the demands of replacement, stock piles of rubber must be built up with imports largely from the East India, so defense officials ordered a reduction henceforth in the amount of rubber available for civilian consumption.

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Repeated smashes at the industrial Ruhr with the new British "super bombs," which have a devastating splash blast, were said to be aimed at a dual objective:

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L. F. LAWRENCE

the age of 23 when he took over a unit at Honey Grove, Ky. In 1907 when he came to Howard county, he immediately began investigating the possibility of a postoffice for the Gay Hill area, and the naming of the office in his honor resulted.

During his time great changes were wrought in the distribution system. The spanking mule team driven by Edmund Love on the Gall route gave way to early automobiles, and they in turn to faster, modern machines. Retiring, Mr. Lawrence said he was going to take a rest, "but I don't know how long it will be."

In January of 1892 he was married to Miss Mary Meldrath Swann and she died here in March 1939. Mr. Lawrence will be buried beside her grave and that of a son in New Mt. Olive cemetery.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Gilla Finley, Coahoma, Miss. Mrs. Bera Travis, Mt. Pleasant, Mich., and Mrs. Mildred Caughney, Luther; one son, C. B. Lawrence, Luther; a sister, Mrs. Etta Myers, and three brothers, H. C. B. B. and Will Lawrence, all of Murray, Ky. Eight grandchildren also survive.

Services were set for Saturday at 3 p. m. at the Eberly chapel with the Revs. E. G. Riechbourg, N. W. Pitts and Patterson in charge. Pallbearers will be Walter Anderson, Alton Smith, Bud Brannon, Marvin Sewall, Monte Hamlin and Bonnie Puckett.

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Editorial — Little Items Need Attention

Walter Lippmann Tells— Hitler's Reasons For New Attitude Toward America

The official comment from Berlin leaves almost no ground for doubting that in the attack on the Robin Moor the submarine commander was carrying out the deliberate and avowed policy of the Nazi government.

There had been some reason to suppose, when the news first reached this country, that Berlin might somehow disavow the action, pretending perhaps as in the case of the Athenia that the British had sunk the ship in order to excite American opinion.

This marks a radical change in the tactics of the Nazi government in dealing with the United States. At least as late as May 23 Mr. Cuddeback had his interview with Hitler, the Nazi policy was to reassure the United States, to avoid incidents and any kind of head-on collision.

Three weeks later Berlin was defiant, choosing deliberately to sharpen the issue rather than to soften and to obscure it. What has caused a change of tactics which indicates so strongly that the Nazis may have decided to now suit his interest to challenge the United States?

The key to the problem, I venture to suggest, is that he has decided that he must try to win the war this summer. There are many reasons why Hitler must look with foreboding upon a continuation of the war through another winter and into the summer of 1942. There is the obvious fact that before long American production of planes, ships and weapons will become very large, and that America's future capacity to produce will have become huge. He has become responsible for feeding and governing the whole continent of Europe, and though he can no doubt take care of the Germans, the prospect of having to govern a starving and rebellious continent, especially if it continues to pin its hopes on America, is enough to dismay even Hitler.

But in order to win the war this summer Hitler needs allies — he needs France, Japan and Russia. As regards France, it is certain that the continental army of Admiral Darlan is that by joining Hitler the war can be ended sooner than by continuing to hope for a British-American victory. The French nation is not Nazi; it is war-weary.

But this promise is greatly weakened by the fact that America is arming on a great scale and manifestly intervening in the war. The French would rather be with their old friends than with their conquerors and oppressors.

In the meantime the Syrian campaign had started—a campaign which must cause great anguish to most Frenchmen. The situation called for a demonstration by Hitler which would show to France primarily but also to the rest of the continent, that he was prepared to defy the United States. If the Americans retreated, he had smashed the moral force of the United States. If the Americans accepted the challenge he would still appear in Europe as the invincible and omnipotent war lord, and if as a result he could get the help of France.

But France is not the only reason why, presumably, Hitler has so suddenly changed his American policy. Much the same psychological situation exists in every other European country—the belief in the power of America is enormous. By challenging America openly Hitler has a gambler's chance of destroying the prestige of the United States—if we submit, or become involved in a prolonged debate.

It is no less probable that he has come to the conclusion that he has a better chance of enlisting Japan if he can produce a state of war with the United States.

Finally, there are good reasons from Hitler's point of view why a change of tactics is indicated inside the United States. It is evident that the argument against aid to Britain is running out, and that the American people are prepared to follow the President.

Presumably, therefore, the time has come when more is to be gained by cajolery and blandishment. The manner in which the Robin Moor was sunk is a move that will tend, if there are no effective counter-measures, to terrify American crews and paralyze American shipping.

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There are approximately 185,000 practicing physicians in the United States.

ABClub Delegates Take Horned Frogs

To Atlanta Session

Armed with a load of horned frogs, C. A. Amos and W. D. Scott left Friday morning for Atlanta, Ga., to attend the national convention of the American Business Clubs from June 23-25.

The toads were for the purpose of publicizing Big Spring as the Main Spring of West Texas. Scott planned to distribute them to the curious from other sections of the country.

Hugh Duncan, other delegate to the convention, left previously with his family and is visiting currently in East Texas before continuing on to Georgia.

Primitive calendars were based on the lunar month of 29 1/2 days. The temperature of the planet Saturn is 238 degrees below zero.

Cotton Stamp Program Worth \$25,000 Here

In these days of heavy spending for national defense, we develop a million dollar phobia. We can't seem to see any figure less than that. We dream about army camps, flying schools, bomber plants and all the while shut our eyes to advantages right at our feet.

For example, \$25,000 in absolutely new business for Big Spring's dry goods merchants will be dumped on our city, gratis, by Uncle Sam within the next two or three months. New business, mind you, just as if that many families had moved in.

This will happen through the free distribution to farmers who have made certain cotton acreage reductions of free surplus cotton stamps. The farmer can trade these to the merchant for cotton goods and the merchant can trade them back to Uncle Sam for good old U.S. money. All the merchant can lose is two cents for mailing to the local SMA office a little card of agreement to participate in the program. For less than six bits, every dry goods merchant in Howard county can come into a program that will bring in \$25,000.

But only a handful of the county's dry goods merchants have signed these little cards. You'd think they didn't want that \$25,000.

Man About Manhattan— Book Sales Slow Despite Wide Available Selections

By GEORGE TUCKER

NEW YORK—Publishers Row is worried. This is a season of slim returns in the book business. People aren't buying, yet the range in material is wider than ever.

Yesterday I had lunch with one of the editors of a New York house, an ancient firm that operates as a branch of the mother house in England. . . . I asked him, not with much originality, "How's the book business?" "Terrible," he said, "terrible."

He didn't know why. The war, maybe, and the uncertainty of books. He named an author whose books had run into many editions. Reviews on his latest book were excellent yet its sales were barely 50 per cent of what they expected. This was no isolated instance. The people just aren't buying books.

The summer slack has hit the night clubs, too. A number of the carriage trade stops have closed for the summer. . . . June July and August present a gamble, a risk that not all operators care to take. The Copacabana is closing, but will re-open in the fall. Ben Marden's Riviera apparently has switched from its policy of changing orchestras. . . . It has signed Pancho to play until Marden's closing time in the fall.

I walked into a 52nd street club last night and counted 17 people at the bar. That wouldn't pay the bar-captain's salary. . . . Similarly, one by one, the lights on the Broadway theaters are winking out. . . . Only 18 marquee shows life. . . . The crowds must be driving out to the parks, and to the night ball games.

You have to see Monty Proser's Dance Carnival at the Garden to understand it, to comprehend its scope. . . . Literally thousands swaying to a Conga tune simultaneously. . . . They have a line a mile long. . . . But it's cheap. It's mass entertainment. . . . You have three bands and the largest expanse of floor space in New York to romp around in. . . . You have until three o'clock in the morning to have your fun— for 65 cents. That's the answer, just 65 cents. Of the three bands—Larry Clinton, Charlie Barnet and Benny Goodman—Clinton has proved far and away the most popular. . . . The crowds around Clinton became so heavy that the people finally were asked via loud-speaker to keep away. . . . They asked the crowds please not to jam too close. . . . Nothing like this happened at the other stands.

Charlie Barnet, though only 27, has been married and divorced four times. . . . After a long tiring jumping tour on the road, Sammy Kaye has opened at the Essex House. . . .

THE SACRED DAGGER

CHAPTER TEN

Anne gave Blase a swift hand clasp and slipped through the door to the harem enclosure.

She joined the Princess eating her breakfast at a little table. The woman received Sherwood's message thoughtfully and asked again, "Is he in love with you?"

Anne flushed. "No," she said. "Mr. Sherwood might jolly a girl along but I doubt if he'd fall in love where it wouldn't do any good. He knows how to take care of himself."

The Princess looked distastefully at Anne's breeches and boots and said, "The servants will bring you clothing belonging to the Persian daughter and help you prepare for the visit of the Emir."

"But what if he should detect the trick," asked Anne terrified at the thought.

The woman lifted her somber black eyes. "You'd better pray that he doesn't."

Servants painted Anne's fingernails with an unguent made of marigolds and henna, tinted her toes and the lobes of her ears with the same fierce orange, darkened her eyelids and dressed her in a flowing pale blue garment with a voluminous white crepe veil that gave her the appearance, when she walked, of a peacocking parrot.

The Princess lined up the women like cattle for inspection. To Anne the ordeal seemed almost unbearable. She was torn by mixed emotions of fear and rage. Fear that some sly sense in the Emir might detect the disguise; rage that she, an American girl, must submit to such an experiment. The other women seemed almost as nervous as Anne.

Suddenly their chattering ceased. The Emir stood at the entrance to the court. He came across the tiled floor and walked down the line, teetering on spindly legs as he stopped here and there, slipped one girl's face for no reason that Anne could fathom and then paused before his Persian daughter.

For a moment Anne thought she saw his triumph and knowledge in his rummy eyes. He made a remark to her in a rasping voice. She could only bow, unable to understand or to answer him. Then he passed on.

The Princess informed her afterwards he had merely said "Good eyes," so her bow had been quite all right.

"He tells me he has decided to honor the man who saved his life with the hand of one of his daughters. He feels it will promote friendliness between himself and the government of Shani Lun."

Anne began to laugh; she was still a bit wrought up. "Does he think Mr. Sherwood would accept such a gift?"

"One does not refuse gifts from the Emir if he values his life."

"Oh," gasped Anne. Presently she said, "It might be a good idea to send that information to Mr. Sherwood. Where would he be expected to take the gift if he married her?"

"To Shani Lun, by the way of Chuka."

Anne's eyes began to shine. "Which daughter is to be given him?" she asked in a muted voice. "He has left the choice to me."

Anne caught her hand. "Oh, Princess, don't you see—this is my chance to escape. Let me be the daughter who marries him. I'm sure Dr. Sherwood is willing to do this thing for me."

The Princess picked up a long, loosely wrapped cigarette to which she wrote her note excitedly, an incoherent mess, she felt, and added that if a native wedding ceremony made legal complications native law also made divorce for him extremely easy; he needed merely to make a declaration before witnesses. The Princess had told her so.

Several hours later an answer came from Sherwood:

A very nice proposal—my first—but don't you over-anticipate — mentioning divorce? You may find me irresponsible. However, I'm yours on any terms, and whatever you say goes. The Emir is a dirty dog. I'll be glad when we can get away from here. Rush the ceremony.

Blase

"We must be careful and do things properly lest we rouse the Emir's suspicions," the Princess warned her. "There will be no usual feast or holiday because of the attempted assassination last night. You are to marry at dawn in the morning and slip away quietly. There is a feeling here against white men, even when they save the life of the ruler."

"That night brought a terrific storm—lightning, wind, rain, a minor earthquake shock. In the morning clear skies returned."

The wedding ceremony was held before the Emir's platform throne on which he sat in all his magnificence. The magistrate, the mullah, the bridegroom and Mackay as witness standing below. The scribe was seated at a small table.

Anne, in her voluminous white veils, stood at one side in front of the other women who were look-

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Hollywood Sights And Sounds— Marsha Hunt Is One Gal Who Goes After Things

By ROBBIN COONS

HOLLYWOOD—You hear a lot of girls around Hollywood complaining because they don't want to play ingenues. Marsha Hunt, slim, blue-eyed, with a cutely turned nose and the ethereal quality of a Lillian Gish, is one who has done something about it.

Marsha is a girl who knows why she doesn't want to play ingenues. She isn't ethereal in her reasoning, either. She's down to earth!

"I must be an enormous ham at heart," she says. "Ingenue parts scare me. They're harder for me to play than anything else. I hate the way they're supposed to behave. They always get sore at the hero. They're so painfully righteous. If they had any sense, they'd say, 'I don't care what you do—you're my guy.'"

Marsha is telling all today in the apartment she and husband Jerry Hopper, film editor, will soon be leaving for their new house in the valley. She's fresh as this spring morning, but Pupchen, alas, needs a bath. Pupchen, her Bedlington terrier, shows unmistakable signs of tail-tale gray.

Marsha Hunt's one "act" ushered her into Hollywood six years ago.

She was 17, a year out of school in New York, a Powers model, and she had been aching to get into movies as long as she could remember. She arrived on a "visit" in May, 1935, and told train-meeting photographers she had no interest whatever in pictures. Hollywood, of course, broke its back trying to interest her—

just as her uncle, whom she was visiting, knew it would. "He had an idea that Hollywood would like anything it couldn't get—even spinach," says Marsha. "I was spinach."

She had an offer seven days later, then a Paramount contract, after which she freely confessed the plot. She spent three years at the studio, being the ingenue, the last year doing nothing.

The world, her oyster, was delivering only seed pearls. She went east on one of those movie premiere junkets (free trip) and tried to crash stock. Glenda Farrell, Jerry's cousin, showed her the ropes. She was about to convince a repertory manager when her agent wired her to come back at once for a test. She had wanted character stuff and here it was—the psychopathic suicide in "These Glamor Girls."

She won the role, and M-G-M took an option. Seven roles later, M-G-M put her under contract. The unusual hesitancy was caused by uncertainty as to her "type." Now they know that her type is anything they want her to play.

She proved this by playing 60-year-old Ethel Turp in "Call on the President," by playing a 50-year-old matron in "Cheers for Miss Bishop," by doing the prim, spectacled daughter in "Fride and Prejudice," and the hard-boiled baby of "The Trial of Mary Dugan." It was this last that won her the contract—since which time she has drawn nothing but ingenues, in "The Penalty," "Blossoms in the Dust," "I'll Wait for You."

MODEST MAIDENS



"But Mr. Evans, when ARE you going to get the electric fan fixed?"



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