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S. F. FASCIST LINK CHARGED

T NOW APPEARS that we not only have to bat the Japanese back to 1853, where we found them, or a good facsimile thereof, but that while engaged in this solemn toil we're going to have to listen to their moral maxims. In one sense this will become slightly onerous as time goes on. It was bad enough to get moral maxims from them while they were pushing other people around. We had a round decade of that as they moved in on us. But to get the same while you're painfully absorbed in whittling them down to their true feudal size, is really something.

There is, of course, a certain stimulating compensation in this transpacific saga. Gall, when it lacks perspective entirely, is one of the funniest manifestations of human nature. That is, gifted impudence is much more exhilarating to the onlooker than mere impudence, especially when the onlooker is under the compulsion of emasculating the impudent.

A few weeks ago the Japan Times and Advertiser, organ of the Foreign Office, carried a piece by one Kagawa, a Christian, saying Japanese Christians are praying for peace. Whether this was a voluntary and sincere contribution by Kagawa, or whether he was hit over the head and told to sign, we don't know, and it is not germane to the issue. It made a one-day wonder in the news, which then rolled on to other things.

But now Times and Advertiser's editor comes up with a radio blast in the ethical field, so apparently we are in for a year or two of these gaudy purple rockets of Yamato psychology.

It will be recalled that all last year the little men kept telling us we didn't understand them. Just why this was such a fascinating idea to them, is foggy, but it was, and every time they dashed us a note they entered this plaint, beginning, middle and end.

The only answer for this that was ever any good was, "That's right, we don't," and it was about the answer they got each time, at that, seeing how things came out.

Well, you'd think the way things came out would cure them, but no! They're still fascinated by the idea in a nice, pathological way, as witness the editor, named Toshi Go, who put this on the air:

"The present war was totally Continued on Page 2, Col 1"

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The Tenney Inquiry Andriano Tells of His Activities; Rossi and Patrizi Also Named By North Beach Editor Zito

Mayor Gave Duce Salute, Editor Zito Charges—Rossi Calls It a Lie; Fascists Said to Fake Patriotism

By FLOYD HEALEY

San Francisco's Italian colony—one of the largest in the United States—is shot through with Fascists who have been propagandizing the philosophy of the dictators with Axis knowledge and Rome's financial aid for 20 years.

This broad accusation, accompanied by names of individuals and organizations—and followed by prompt denials—was painted in words and exclamation points in the St. Francis Hotel yesterday for the benefit of the Tenney committee on subversive and un-American activities.

Olson Wants Japs Out of Entire State

By MILTON SILVERMAN Chronicle Staff Writer

SACRAMENTO, May 25—Governor Olson demanded here today that the entire State of California must be declared a prohibited zone for Japanese.

The present military zone boundary he declared, now permits Japanese to move freely around California's vital forests and power lines in the eastern half of the State. That boundary runs roughly down the middle of the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys.

At the same time, county officials and farm leaders tossed a large wrench into plans for using Japanese evacuees on California farms, now facing a drastic labor shortage.

Such plans are vital now, claimed P. T. Buckner of the U. S. employment service.

"The agricultural labor shortage soon will be critical," he said. "We may lose considerable portions of our crops. Student and volunteer adult labor is not enough."

A Tulare county farmer retorted: "Many of my fellow ranchers would rather lose three-quarters of their crops than have Japanese help."

Admitting the labor shortage may assume dangerous proportions before

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Exiled Mexican General Returns

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., May 25 (AP)—After 13 years of exile in Canada, General Jose Gonzalo Escobar, former Mexican revolutionary leader, re-entered Mexico today, offering his services to the government in time of national emergency.

Escobar led the revolt in 1929 against Plutarco Elias Calles, suffered defeat and fled to Canada.

Weather Man

"Whee," sang Anemometer, the Weather Bureau cat. "I'm a cat with a future."

The Weather Man grunted. "You've just about exhausted your nine-live luck already. What's your future?"

"You know how my fur snags specks when you rub me in the winter?" said Anemometer. "I can sell electricity to the Government."

"Who's going to rub your back?" said the Weather Man.

"I'll hook up a glove to a wheel," said the cat. "The wheel will turn with electricity I generate. The more I generate, the faster it turns. The faster it turns..."

"Never mind," said the W. M. "I get it—perpetual motion."

I'LL BE MORE POWERFUL THAN HETCI HETCI

HOW YOU'RE SPARKING!

Editor's Note: When an American was sent as chief of staff to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, the logical choice was Chinese-speaking Lieutenant General Joseph W. Stilwell. One word, tough, best describes 39-year-old stubby, eagle-nosed "Vinegar Joe," whose hair and talk are both close-cropped. When Stilwell and his staff reached Burma last February, he called the situation there "a hell of a tough spot." How tough it was he can tell fully only now. He still has no illusions, but he wants to go and get it back.

Milk Price Drop

Milk prices for the consumer will drop one-half cent per quart for store and home delivered milk on May 31 in the San Francisco marketing area. Current prices are 14 cents a quart at stores and 15 cents for home deliveries. The order was signed yesterday at Sacramento by State Director W. J. Cecil.

Women's Fall Clothes Prices Frozen

WASHINGTON, May 25 (AP)—The Office of Price Administration ruled today that 1942 fall styles of women's and children's coats, suits, dresses, blouses and many other outerwear garments could not be sold by retailers, wholesalers or manufacturers at prices higher than those charged last season.

A special price order forbade any seller of such merchandise from adding any lines of garments selling at higher prices than the highest price line he handled last fall.

This provision, an innovation in price regulations, in effect "freezes" the lines a merchant may handle, except that he may add lower-cost lines without hindrance.

The price order fixes as the maximum for each seller the highest price charged by him for a garment of "substantially equal workmanship and quality" during the period July 1 to September 30, 1941.

Savings in cloth effected by recent War Production Board orders will help manufacturers absorb increased costs of labor and materials and still supply the consumer with a fully comparable garment at last year's price," Price Administrator Leon Henderson said.

Such savings are estimated at 5 to 15 per cent of the cloth going into each garment.

EQUAL QUALITY MANDATORY

In stipulating that the manufacturer must put equal quality into the garment, Henderson emphasized that this did not mean that a manufacturer would be complying "merely by putting an equivalent

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Betty Grable Has Operation

HOLLYWOOD, May 25 (AP)—Screen Actress Betty Grable today underwent an operation for correction of a side ailment caused by strain from too strenuous tap-dancing in the making of motion pictures.

Her physician, Dr. Leon Krohn, said she probably would be hospitalized for about a week.

'We Took a Hell of a Beating' Gen. Stilwell's Own Story of the Escape From Burma

By WILLIAM MCGAFFIN Associated Press Staff Writer

NEW DELHI, India, May 25—Still full of fight after a "hell of a word, tough, best describes 39-year-old stubby, eagle-nosed "Vinegar Joe," whose hair and talk are both close-cropped. When Stilwell and his staff reached Burma last February, he called the situation there "a hell of a tough spot." How tough it was he can tell fully only now. He still has no illusions, but he wants to go and get it back.

The American came out of Burma the hard way. He refused a lift from a United States Army plane because he still had a job to do.

Then, when it became clear that withdrawal was the only course, he and a group of soldiers and native nurses started from Wundwin May 4. They made more

than half of their 20-day trek afoot, hidden from aerial searches by lush tropical forests while their food supplies dwindled. General Stilwell flew here on the last leg.

He said he regarded Burma as a vitally important area for re-entry into China. Low blocked from the Burma road supply

'Months Behind' Landis Warns City of Great Defense Lag

San Francisco is "months behind" the rest of the country in training civilian defenders.

That was the declaration yesterday of Dean James M. Landis, director of the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense, here to confer with civilian defense heads on stepping up training.

But San Francisco is not alone. The entire Pacific Coast is months behind, with only about one-third of civilian defense enrollees adequately trained.

TRAINED CIVILIAN ARMY ESSENTIAL

Landis said he could not "stress too strongly" San Francisco's need for trained army of civilian defenders, "because the potentialities of danger are greater here than anywhere else."

"I think nearly everyone in the United States is convinced of the seriousness of preparing the civilian side of our defense," he said. "Of course, the necessity of demanding that is far stronger in some areas than in others."

"The Pacific Coast is given a priority rating in the need for equipment. But there are a few simple things some people still don't understand about civilian defense."

THREE FACTORS IN CIVIL DEFENSE

He criticized "differences of opinion and bickering" as a contributing factor in the Pacific Coast's delay.

He said the Nation's civilian defense program was broken down into three parts: Recruiting of necessary personnel for the army of civilian defenders; training them, and seeing to it that they operate as an army, with a headquarters and competent leadership.

He reserved judgment on the "headquarters" organization until his inspection of the West Coast was concluded. He flew to Seattle last night and plans to return here tonight to meet the Governors of the eight Western States comprising the 3rd Regional Office of Civilian Defense Wednesday morning, and to address the Commonwealth Club at the Palace Hotel luncheon tomorrow.

\$8,000 HELMETS ARE ON THE WAY

"In Washington, every step necessary has been taken to see to it that every necessary piece of

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Kenny Withdraws From Race

State Senator Robert W. Kenny of Los Angeles announced withdrawal last night from the Democratic gubernatorial race, saying he will run for Attorney General. He said his action was prompted by the "unity" plea of those from whom he has been seeking unity in the war effort. (For Kenny's statement, see Page 19).

The War in Russia

The Russian noon communique yesterday declared the Red Army fought "defensive battles" on the Izyum-Barvenkova sector south of Kharkov; the midnight communique declares that during the day "our

beating. We got run out of Burma and it is humiliating as hell. I think we ought to find out what caused it, go back and retake it."

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The story of the Burma battle, as Stilwell put it, was one of outnumbered forces giving the best they had against a foe with more equipment as well as more men. Still, he thought, the scales could have been tipped with "just a little more strength."

He said the Japanese were

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The War in Russia Nazis Launch Massive Attack on Izyum-Barvenkova Front; Russians Advance Slowly Toward Kharkov

U. S. Mission

LONDON, Tuesday, May 26 (AP)—A United States mission headed by Lieutenant General Henry H. Arnold, head of the Army Air Forces, and Rear Admiral John H. Towers, chief of naval aeronautics, has arrived in Britain for conferences the British believed designed to co-ordinate strategy for a blow against Germany.

Timoshenko's Offensive Hangs in Balance; Battle Reaches Bloody Height, Infantry in Death Grip

By the Associated Press

MOSCOW, May 26—The Germans have launched a massive surprise attack on the Izyum-Barvenkova front south of Kharkov, with 150 tanks spearheading the assault under an umbrella of Nazi planes, front line dispatches reported early today (Tuesday).

The Germans also hurled heavy artillery into the battle and the ferocity of the fighting mounted hourly, but Red armies were declared holding steadfastly to their positions.

On the Russian right and center, Marshal Timoshenko's men were reported slowly moving forward upon Kharkov itself, but with his forces on the defensive about Izyum-Barvenkova, the whole of the action stood in fateful balance.

The Soviet night communique earlier had said merely that "in the Kharkov direction battles continued" yesterday and that especially violent fighting raged on the Izyum-Barvenkova front.

Pravda reported that Red naval fighters of the Northern Soviet fleet sank two German destroyers and an 800-ton transport during the past few days. A third destroyer was listed as probably sunk.

(Radio London quoted a Russian broadcast as saying that the Soviet Arctic fleet in the last few days has sunk four German transports totaling 30,000 tons and three German destroyers and damaged badly a fourth destroyer.)

On the front immediately before Kharkov, Red dispatches reported that Marshal Timoshenko's resumed advance had progressed measurably, although only over the most violent and tenacious of German resistance, to overrun a number of German defensive points, one an important center of resistance.

The counter-attacks endlessly thrown in by Nazi Field Marshal von Boek meantime were being beaten off in the bloodiest struggles yet to be fought in the 14 days of the battle for Kharkov.

Observers here said the battle appeared to have settled into an exchange of savage blows resembling a slugging match between two heavy weights, with no sign yet of tiring or of decisive change.

Masses of modern material, including medium and heavy tanks, the latest model planes and fast-firing guns, were in action, while the bulk of the infantry of both sides were locked in battle.

All accounts received here agreed that the fighting had reached a wild crescendo, and these were supported by official descriptions of isolated but fairly typical actions.

In one of these, for example, German forces surrounded in a settlement fought on from every house and pillbox—some of the latter being buried Nazi tanks—until they

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War Digest: The Chinese Slaughter 1000 Japs in Thrust at Chekiang Base

By PETER D. WHITNEY

The first major Chinese victory in the fighting at the important rail center at Kinshwa was claimed by the Chinese Central News Agency, which said 1000 Japanese were killed and the rest of the army of 10,000 were forced to retire when Chinese machine gunners stuck to the walls of the city and broke the line of the advancing troops. (For details see Page 4.)

The attack was turned back after the defenders had weathered a heavy rain of bombs and a terrific artillery barrage.

However, Japanese forces in Chekiang province are estimated at 100,000, and they perhaps will assault the city until they win a final decision.

Should the city fall, the Chinese strategy will have a real opportunity to reveal itself. Japan's experience in this war has always been that she could take any single objective she set her heart on in the flat lands of coastal China, but could not hold it against Chinese armies which closed on her extended supply routes, snipped them off, and dealt with the isolated spearheads at leisure.

This lesson should have been learned by now; it has cost the Japanese the majority of their battlefield casualties in three face-shattering defeats at Changsha and one at Taierchwang.

Chungking confidently said yesterday that Chinese strategy is "magnetic," referring to the process whereby the invader is enticed from his bases by patient Chinese retreat, followed by the closing of the trap. It is the German encirclement maneuver in reverse. The only possible answer may be Japan's new air power and the lessons in air-ground strategy she has learned from Berlin.

A dispatch to Tokyo claims the Japanese have forced a bridgehead across the upper Salween river near the destroyed Burma road bridge. If true, the invasion of Yunnan may get under way again.

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