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Animal Husbandry Gets New Meaning Under Air Raid Threats in British Isles

Special Care For Four-legged Friends

(By Milton Bronner) LONDON, Nov.—What air raid wardens are to humans in case a British city is attacked by German bombers, National Animal Guards, enrolled by the National Air Raid Protection Animals Protection Committee will be to the dumb pets and servants of man. It is a tremendous task because, while panicky humans can be reasoned with, a panicky dog or a terrified horse is a danger to the community. The special guards are recruited from animal lovers who will look after panic-stricken or gassed animals. It is hoped in a city like London to have an animal guard in each block.

Bromides for Pets

Greater London, which includes a radius 15 miles around Charing Cross and thus includes real farms, has an animal population of 40,000 horses, 9000 cattle, 6000 sheep, 18,000 pigs, 400,000 dogs and 1,500,000 cats.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has issued a booklet advising pet owners what to do. As animals are not going to be allowed to be taken into public air raid shelters, pet owners are advised to have their own home shelters into which they can take their dumb friends. If a dog is a highly nervous one, in case of an air raid, the owner is advised to give the animal bromides or aspirin. A special kind of ear flap is also recommended which will prevent the dog from hearing the noise of anti-aircraft gun fire.

Animals differ somewhat from humans in their reaction to gas. Fear and noise gases leave them quite unmoved. But phosgene, chlorine, mustard and Lewisite are as dangerous to animals as to man. It is pointed out that no satisfactory gas mask has been in-



A man and his dog in wartimes—gas masks for both.

vented which will protect cats, dog or horses. It is true in the last world war some messenger dogs, specially trained, did use masks. But they were the exceptions.

Served in Last War

As in the last world war, so in this one, the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals expects to do an immense amount of work. When the last war broke out, the society volunteered its services to the War Department. They were declined with thanks. But the small Army Veterinary Corps soon found it could not cope with the war problems of animals. The army had an immense number of horses and mules, many of which became sick or were injured. It was possible to save them if proper care was given.

So the War Office then called upon the society to help it. It raised a million dollars by voluntary subscriptions. It sent its own inspectors to help the Veterinary Corps. It built 2000 shelters for horses and mules under treatment. Also it supplied motor lorries which acted as horse ambulances. In the end, it ran 13 hospitals with accommodations for 13,500 horses. Each hospital had its operating rooms, forage barn and dressing sheds. It also had a convalescent depot for horses recovering from wounds. For the present war, the Army Council has recognized the society as the only one to assist the army. In spite of the great mechanization of modern armies, there will still be large numbers of horses and mules with the British Expeditionary Force in France. They will be carefully looked after as in the last war.

MIKE UP THE LINE

LONDON—(CP)—Richard Dimbleby, 28, British Broadcasting Corporation commentator who covered the Royal tour in Canada this spring, will be Britain's first radio war correspondent, probably in the front lines with a microphone.

COW'S RIGHTS UPHOLD

LONDON—(CP)—The Court of Appeal has sustained the right of a cow to "stand and stare." A case involving collision of a car with a cow was appealed by the cow's owner and verdict of a lower court reversed.

Holland's Queen Takes All Steps To Stay Neutral

WILHELMINA, AT 59, HAS 7,500,000 SUBJECTS BUT ONLY 8,500,000 AT HOME — MILLIONS FOR DEFENCE ARMY.

(By SIGRID ARNE)

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Holland has flooded a chunk of her lowlands, by way of a sample. Square-headed, deliberate Hollanders are turning their blue eyes east and west to the fighting nations, to say: "Dare to come in, and we'll bog down your armies as we've done before."

Behind that move stands sturdy, serene, hard-headed Wilhelmina, Queen of the Netherlands. She looks her little country of canals, lakes and lowlands through 1914-18 safely—and proposes to do it again.

Wilhelmina has been on her throne longer than any other ruler in Europe: 41 years. She is 59. There are only 8,500,000 Hollanders on home soil, but on the other side of the world—in the Dutch East Indies—Wilhelmina has 61,000,000 subjects—Mohammedans, head-hunters, cannibals. She has insisted they be allowed to live and worship as they please, so they have not caused her much trouble. And the Indies have made both her and her kingdom rich. Her personal income from the Royal Dutch Shell oil company alone is \$1,000,000 a year.

Wilhelmina has never travelled in her Empire. She vacations in Norway or England, travelling as the Countess van Buren. She discourages return visits from other rulers unless they really have some business to talk over. She remarked once that the ceremonies coupled with the visits of crowned heads cost too much for her country.

She followed an elderly father, Willem III, to the throne. That was in 1890 when she was 10, but she acted under a regency until she was 18.

Wilhelmina As Child There is a story about the day Wilhelmina was first led to the palace balcony to look down on a sea of subjects. She asked "Mama, do all those people belong to me?" The Queen-Mother replied "No, dear, you belong to them."

Wilhelmina led a lonely childhood with tutors who taught her history, finance and even military tactics. But she had a healthy sense of childish humor. One time her English governess had to punish her. Wilhelmina was assigned to draw a map of Europe. The child did, with a huge Holland and a tiny England.

At 20 she married the German Duke of Mecklenburg, who never dabbled much in the country's affairs. He died in 1934. They had one daughter, Juliana. It was at Juliana's recent marriage to Prince Bernhard zu Lippe-Biesterfeld that Wilhelmina showed she couldn't be cowed by her bellicose German neighbors. When she invited some German citizens to the wedding the governing Nazis raised a howl about passports.

Wilhelmina announced coldly: "This is the marriage of my daughter to the man she loves; it is not the marriage of Holland to Germany."

Now she faces war at her borders sternly stamped out all signs of German and English propaganda in her country, and determined to stay neutral. She kept a war-strength army along the borders. "This time her army already is in place, although it costs more than a million a day to keep it there. But just in case the gesture fails to be noticed, Wilhelmina has opened the dikes partly with the implication, "There's more of this."

Germany boasts huge food reserves, says foreign trade cut 50%.

Germany tells her nationals to prepare to quit Turkey.

Italy concludes non-aggression pact with Greece.

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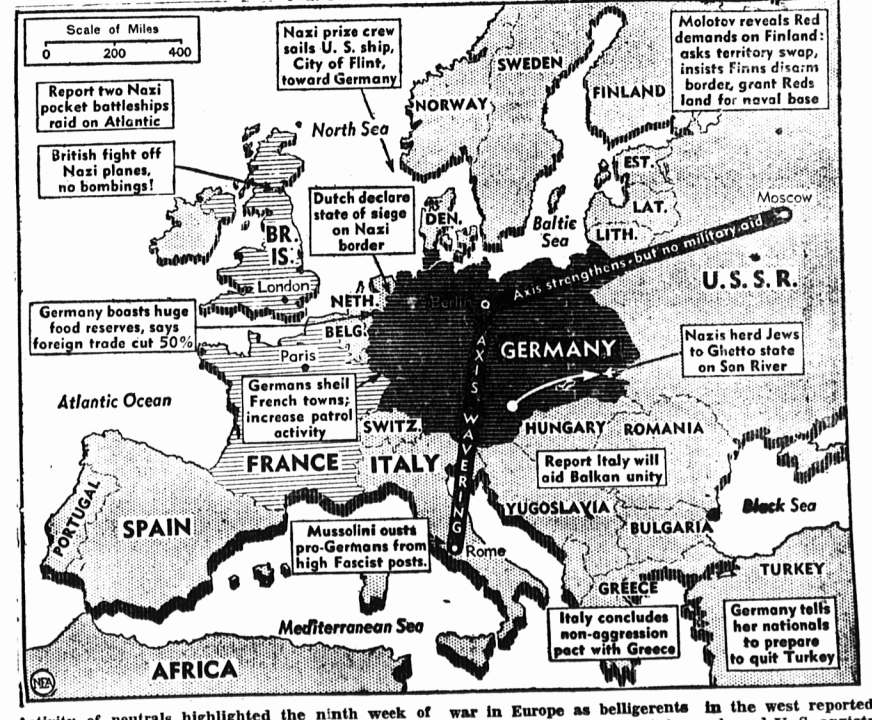
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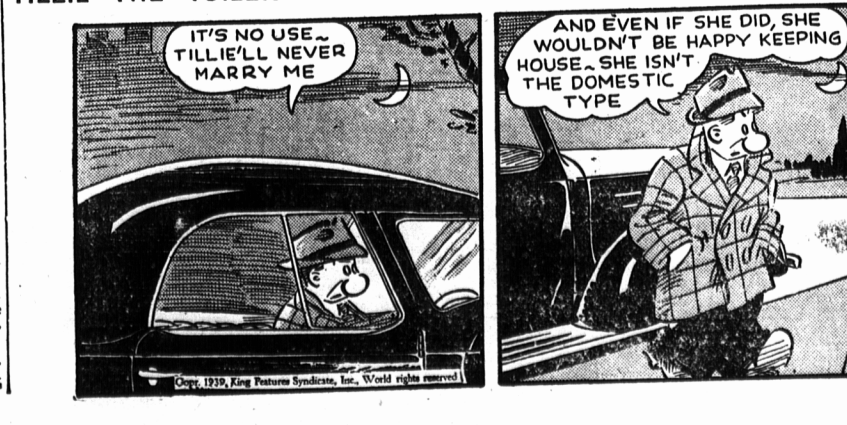
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