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LAST week-end the Reserve Of-
ficers association had an in-
teresting session and, to judge
from the looks on their faces, they
had a good time.

Some of our good, serious-mind-
ed folks were indignant that our
peaceful little city should be sub-
jected to war games. They called
it war propaganda, etc.

To this editor it seemed like the
most powerful peace propaganda
yet seen. It reminded us that such
things do happen in this
queer world, and that if we did en-
gage in a war we would witness
scenes like that. But then they
would be deadly serious—not a
game. Who could want war, no
matter what the pretext?

Propaganda is much more subtle
than the rollicking demonstration
put on by the reserve officers.
There is much propaganda and
subtle propaganda too—going on
in the world but it was not in evi-
dence here last week-end.

An effort to get this country in-
to a war, if any such effort is ever
deliberately made, will not be
made by showing samples of a
nice war. No indeed. Such propa-
ganda effort would be based upon
an almost imperceptible leaning
toward a "hate" of some other peo-
ple. It would start slowly at
first. Then, as rapidly as we could
take it, we would be fed rumors
of cruelty, bestiality, filth—all
sorts of things to make us think
of the other people as hateful and
revolting. That is the way propa-
ganda works.

But war is about the most un-
popular thing imaginable in this
country. No one would be so fool-
ish as to hold us up to
propaganda of war at this time.

Possibly between now and plen-
tude, we shall be treated to some
crises. Our hope must be that in
fooling around with these politi-
cal devices, the powers that be
do not get too close to the real
thing—and get us into trouble.

It is great political dope, you
know, to be able to boast that it
took clever steering to avoid a
conflict. It has been done be-
fore—but we got too near the
edge, and we fell in.

If all of the speeches given by
speechwriters upon the subject of
Lincoln and his life and words
during the past few days could be
laid end to end, word by word, and
the strings of words placed side by
side, they would doubtless form a
carpet that would cover the en-
tire earth.

But Lincoln makes an inspiring
subject for a speech. He was
one man, high in public life in our
country, who thought more of the
truth of the welfare of the Union
and its people, than he did of him-
self or of his political fortunes.

That is very rare, but the example
of how greatly it is appreciated by
us, and for what a long period
of time the memory of it lasts, it
is strange that more men do not
strive to emulate it.

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(Continued from page 1)

tion itself.

It isn't as if the whole thing was
directed by one central and all-
highest command, in which event
plans could be laid and orders
given. It is a seething anarchy of
separate and distinct interests,
each intent upon doing the best
possible job for itself.

This will give you some idea of
the pandemonium that reigns on
this man-made island in the shad-

ow of the great new bridge.

THERE'S a lot of fussing, of
course, and a lot of ticking off
of somebody else's shortcomings.
But there's also a lot of good-na-
tured tolerance, and a vast amount
of shrewd handling of agitated
and harried humanity—for the
pressure in the last few days of
getting a big show like this ready
for the cash customers is terrific.
It's really astonishing how well the
whole affair is being handled in
these last hectic days before the
curtain goes up.

If you want a lesson on the out-
standing value of the good old
banana oil, as contrasted with the
futility of fussing and fuming and
finding fault, just come down here
and stand around for a few hours
on Treasure Island in these final
hours of travail.

You'll be everlastingly impressed
by the fact that it's the spreaders
of the good old oil that are getting
somewhere, whereas the fussers
and the fumes and the complainers
are getting sewed up tight be-
hind the eight ball.

That's a lesson that's worth
money to anybody.

State Press Comment

Catching Steelhead.
(Portland Oregonian)

The commercial fishermen, in
argument at Salem on the merits of
a measure which would classify
the steelhead trout as a game fish
in all Oregon waters except the Col-
umbia river, did their cause no
benefit when they charged that
angling, and not commercial fish-
ing, is responsible for declining
steelhead catches in the coastal
streams.

This contention is so obviously
absurd as scarcely to justify dis-
cussion, but perhaps there are res-
idents of Oregon who are unaware
of the proportions of the respec-
tive catches. The commercial
fishermen may, and sometimes do,
take tons of steelhead in the same
period when the anglers catch at
most a few hundred fish. Then,
too, it is not uncommon for anglers
to find the marks of net meshes
on steelhead caught by them in
streams closed to commercial
fishing.

Perhaps the greatest broad of the
angler makes on steelhead is the
catching in open season of young
fish, six inches or more in length,
but even of these no considerable
number is taken from any steel-
head brood stream. The Oregonian
offers this comment not in con-
troversial spirit, but in fairness to
an increasingly important rec-
tion.

LETTERS
to the Editor

BLACKOUT DECIED

Roseburg, Feb. 9, 1939.

Editor News-Review

Talk about propaganda—“young
leading down to war.” It is such
as this that puts war into the
heads and hearts of people. If we
were just allowed to forget war, and
concentrate on peace, — and in-
cidentally, prosperity, — we might
in the future realize what the two
later most. But never by having
radio-outs or blackouts—or what-
ever you call these notorious
“days”—impressing on the minds
of the people that war, war, war,
people, little children and the best
of parents of the father, where
it would seem to be to teach
peace to the younger generation.

And what was Roseburg covered
to fight this ridiculous event? Is
it because her people are more
hysterical, more lacking in sense,
than those of other Oregon cities?

Who is behind this fade-out—par-
don—blackout—business? Who or
what is the whole hideous affair?
Why, oh why is such allowed? And
why have it staged in our fair city?
And why did our people stand for
it?

E. J. PACE

ODDITIES

Pastorale

DECATUR, Ill.—Frank Batchelder,
er of Harrisonville, has a special
line has been ordered along
state route 26 west of here.

One day recently his car stalled
on the road. His brother Ed drove
to the rescue and began towing
the disabled machine. Frank's car
was hit and badly wrecked by a
truck during the journey.

Frank purchased a new car. It was
hit by another auto as Frank
drove homeward on 26.

Fish Tale

SMITHFIELD, N. C.—Gus L.
Duncan has a Jonah fish in his
goldfish bowl.

Duncan, an attorney, had a num-
ber—now residing happily among
the goldfish—was used by a neigh-
bor several days ago as bait to
catch a jack fish. When Duncan
cut into the fish, out popped the
minnow.

KLAMATH POMONA

BACKS MILK LAW

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 12.—
(AP)—Klamath county Pomona
grangers voted Saturday against
repeal of the milk control law but
criticized a provision of the law for
sale of milk quotas along with
dairy herds. They asserted quotas
should revert to the state when a
sale was made because the present
system tended to create a monop-

OUT OUR WAY



THE JOKER

By Williams

The Adventures of Ug

Story of An Ancient Malcontent, Whose Problems Were
Similar to Those of His Modern Counterparts.

By T. B. DANNISTER

Chapter 5

When Ug got back with his hand-
ful of salt he started trouble.
Some of the other women in the
tribe made life so miserable for
their menfolk they started out
with some fish to trade. But they
didn't smoke the fish, and the
strangers not only didn't trade salt,
but chased them back toward
home with some broken heads and
other signs that quality merchan-
dise was the only kind wanted.

That did cause trouble in the
home, and finally a delegation of
husbands called Ug out and asked
him man to man to help them get
some salt.

He still remembered all the grief
he had caused by furnishing free
fish, so he turned it over in his
mind and figured out the sub-
tleties of his own trade as a
patron, one fish for the trip, and
another fish for the risk of getting

clubbed or speared. The others
howled like coyotes. The stone
age word for economic royalist had
not been invented yet, but they did
get pretty well for amateurs.
Poker hadn't been invented yet,
either, but Ug knew when he held
four aces, so he sat tight and they
finally gave in. He was certainly
an abandoned character. His old
spear monopoly had all busted up,
but there he was making himself a
better monopoly than ever. Not
only that, but he was becoming a
middleman and an exploiter of his
tribe. But he thought it was all
right. The tribe had plenty of fish,
lots of them were living in caves,
and now they were in the way of
having salt, which was a real lux-
ury for those times. That poor mis-
taken savage really thought he
was a good thing for the tribe.
He was a simple guy.
(Tomorrow: Surplus Problem
Looms.)

RAMBLINGS

by
Paul Jenkins

WHEN the hypothetical (or
something) enemy planes
roared over Roseburg from up
Sutherland way at
5:45 Saturday
night, the town
went almost com-
pletely blotto.
Complying with
the request of
the Reserve Of-
ficers in con-
vention here, who
were conducting
the defense
against attack
from the air, the
town went as dark upon the pre-
arranged signal as the inside of a
black cat.

That is, almost. Here and there
a householder placed a degree of
confidence in the efficacy of yellow
window blinds which was
hardly warranted by the results ob-
tained. But these instances were
scattered, and I reckon a foreign
bomber would have taken them
merely for the reflections from
empty shepherd's huts; or perhaps
the glimmerings of a new idea by
some junior chamber of commerce.

There was one bright and shir-
ring deflection reported, however—
the uncertain blaze of light from
a storefront right in the midst of
the wealth and importance of the
downtown district. It is further al-
leged that the owner is also an of-
ficer in the Reserve Corps—and
that now he is qualified for candi-
dacy for one of its significant
awards. But then, perhaps some
enemy did this thing to him.

The complete blotting out of
light in preparation for the ex-
pected air raid, according to re-
ports for the News-Review, took
place with the Washington High
School in Seattle. They took re-
fuge in their bomb shelter, and
the school was dark for a period of
15 minutes. They had their remain-
ing candles to bid for the crowd.
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dwelling series with the Oregon
State Beavers in Corvallis tonight.
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By the Associated Press
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secutive year.

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deadlock to beat Salem, 35 to 18.

Other Scores
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gon Normal 34.
Whitman 49, Pacific university
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BUCKINGHAM, Pa.—For months
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organ wheezed and played off-key.
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took the instrument apart. Inside
he found a family of eight chip-
munks.

SNOW LEVEL LITTLE
CHANGED IN FOREST

The Umpqua national forest re-
ceived considerable snow over the
week-end, but in the higher levels
the fresh deposit about kept pace
with the settling of the old layers,
thereby keeping the level constant,
according to a report received this
morning at the local forest head-
quarters.

Steamboat CCC camp and ranger
station reported considerable
snow over the week-end, but today
there was but little snow on the
ground. At Wright's ranch, on
Cape Hlahee, the snow depth was
5 inches, while at the Foster ranch
at Burnt flats there was 12 inches
of snow on the ground, with more
falling today. Tiller ranger station
reported 8 inches of snow over the
week-end, but today the white
mantle remained only in sheltered
spots.

Rig Camas ranger station, in the
heart of the Cascade region, had
more snow today with a total
depth on the ground of 37 inches.
Deer reported still in that area last
week apparently moved to lower
levels over the week-end, as only
one deer was seen today and no
tracks were in evidence. Diamond
lake reported 67 inches at the lodge
and 84 inches at the summer
homes.

BAG LIMITS FOR
OREGON FISH SET

PORTLAND, Feb. 12.—(AP)—
After shortening the fishing season
two weeks, the state game commis-
sion adopted angling regulations
Saturday covering bag limits and
specific lake and stream regula-
tions for 1939. The season will
open April 15 and close Oct. 15.

Bag limits included:—Fifteen fish
or 15 pounds and one fish in one
day and not more than 10 fish in
seven days.

Lake bag limit—Fifteen fish or
15 pounds and one fish in one day
and not more than 30 fish in seven
days.
Willamette and McKenzie river
limits—Ten pounds and one fish
but not more than 15 fish in any
one day or 20 pounds and one fish
but not more than 30 fish in any
seven days.

Opening and closing regulations
of streams and lakes by counties
included:

Douglas—Calamint and Wolf
lakes closed; Loon lake and tribu-
taries open.

BASKETBALL
Games-Gossip

By the Associated Press

The Oregon Webfoots were only
four games away from the north-
ern division Pacific Coast confer-
ence basketball title today as the
campaign entered its final stretch.

The Webfoots made it two in a
row over the Idaho Vandals in Eu-
gene Friday and Saturday to give
them a record of 11 victories to
one defeat. The score Saturday
night was 53-36.

The Washington Huskies, who
still retain a very slim chance of
overtaking the Webfoots, staged
the race by squeaking into the
title with the Washington High
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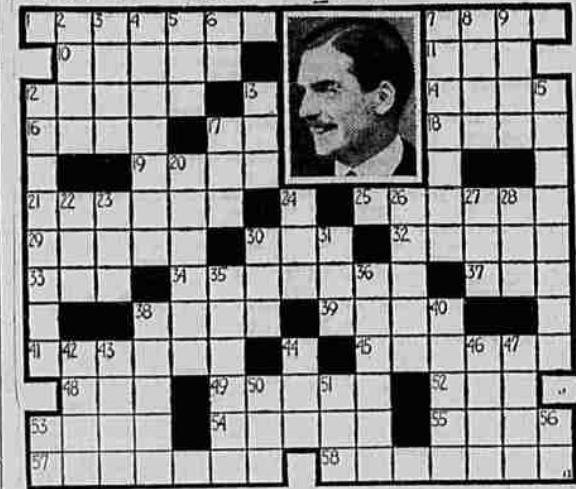
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MODERN STATESMAN

HORIZONTAL		Answer to Previous Puzzle		17 Twice.	
1, 7 Pictured	English	statesman.	20 To scold.	22 To cut grass.	23 Native metal.
10 To corrode.	11 Name.	12 To force.	14 Journey.	16 Booty.	17 To exist.
18 Valiant man.	19 Wading bird.	21 Soap	substitutes.	25 Palace.	29 More painful.
30 Self.	32 More modern.	33 Reverence.	34 Apprehends.	37 Elf's child.	38 Heavenly body.
39 Chinese money.	41 Tapping lever.	45 To impel.	48 Lion.	49 To habituate.	52 Mountain pass.
53 Passage.	54 Composition	for nine instruments.	55 Arrow poison	57 He was secretary of affairs.	58 To disagree.
60 Compass point	62 Singing voice.	63 To become enthusiastic.	64 Noiseman.	65 Walleyed pike.	66 Head of Catholic church.
67 Turkish title.	68 He has a personality.	69 Not (prefix).	70 A—career is predicted for him.	71 Enthusiasm.	72 Carmine.
73 Provided that.	74 Street.	75 Enthusiasm.	76 Carmine.	77 Provided that.	78 Street.

ARREST IN POISON
RING PLOT MADE

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—(AP)—
Described by detective witnesses
as a practitioner of "witchcraft," a
south Philadelphia tailor was held
without bail today for trial on
charges of plotting to murder for
insurance.

The tailor, Paul Petrillo, 45, was
named by a convict, nephew, as
chief conspirator in what investi-
gators say was a three-state "poison
ring."

"If information now in my hands
is true, this case will make the
famous Bluebird murders in
France some years ago pale in
significance," Detective Sergeant
Riccardi said.

Assistant District Attorney Mc-
Devitt termed the tailor the "evil
genius" of a group he charged con-
spired to kill "at least 10 persons
for \$10,000 insurance."

PORTLAND, Feb. 12.—(AP)—
The wrecker's axe descended today
on a Portland landmark and one of
the most pretentious homes ever
built here. The residence is the
Solomon Hirsch property at West
Burrage, 81 Glen and Vista
avenues.

Built in 1907 at a cost of \$150,-
000, it had 20 rooms. A garage house,
it will be succeeded in super suc-
cession, a gasoline company saying it
will construct that kind of a serv-
ice station there.

PORTLAND, Feb. 12.—(AP)—
Senator I. D. Staples, Tillamook, in
a hospital here for rest and obser-
vation, was reported making satis-
factory progress today. Salem re-
sidents would be intended to resign
from the legislature, but his wife
denied them emphatically.

MEDFORD, Feb. 12.—(AP)—A
group of CCC enrollees rescued
John C. Chaney, Kings mountain
district miner, near the Jackson-
Josephine county line last Thurs-
day after he had fallen exhausted
from battling a snow storm for 12
hours.

Dr. E. H. Porter, CCC physician,
said Chaney collapsed while trying
to reach Logue river for food. His
wife was alone in the isolated cab-
in, safe but nearly out of food,
CCC searchers learned.

METHODIST SUPT.
GOES TO HOSPITAL

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 12.—Dr.
Sydney W. Hall, of Salem, super-
intendent of the Cascade district of
the Methodist church, has been ad-
mitted to St. Vincent's hospital
here for a clinical study of a sinus
condition which has made it diffi-
cult for him to carry on his work.

The study will perhaps take a
week, causing him to cancel all en-
gagements, including several ad-
dresses Monday at Roseburg before
a group meeting of Southern Ore-
gon Methodist ministers.

OREGON REGIMENT
WINS ASSN. TROPHY

SALEM, Feb. 12.—(AP)—Lt. Col.
Clifton M. Irwin, commander of the
24th coast artillery regiment,
Oregon national guard, was not-
ified Saturday that the regiment
has been awarded the coast ar-
tillery association trophy as the
best national guard coast artillery
regiment in the United States. The
award is for 1938, and the same
regiment also won it in 1935.