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SINCE the current war began the
British have done a noticeably
poor job of handling the censor-
ship of information released to the
world for publication. Late last
week Lord McMillan, minister of
information, was fired and Sir John
Reith, British Broadcasting com-
pany executive was named in his
place.

Apparently the two most impor-
tant jobs on the British side in this
war are the navy and propaganda
heads. The navy has been doing
pretty well, all things considered,
but the propaganda job has flopped
badly. In spite of repeated bom-
bardments of the enemy with
pamphlets, the Hitler government
has not fallen as the result of re-
volt. It may be noted also that the
British cause in this country has
not been a bit helped by the cur-
ious and blundering censorship of
the war news.

The old saying, mischief finds
work for idle hands to do, may
have applied in the removal of War
Minister Horne-Bellish. The army
really has not been very busy thus
far in this war.

Whatever the British may lack
in the matter of putting out infor-
mation about the war, the Finns
certainly have in full measure. Rus-
sian losses are now counted in di-
visions rather than in single indi-
viduals. Reports from Finland are
graphic and detailed. They appear
to be reasonably accurate—at least
they have not been contradicted.
Regardless of inaccuracies or
overstatement concerning Rus-
sian losses one thing may be
marked down as an undisputed fact
—the Russian land forces in over-
whelming numbers have utterly
failed to do any overwhelming of
the relatively small Finnish
forces.

It is interesting to note also that
the might of the Russian airforce,
successful in its bombing attacks
on Finland, has made little or no
difference in the Finn-Russ con-
flict. The bombers can destroy
buildings and civilians but those
losses are not, in a military sense,
serious to the Finns.

Concerning war news, one is like-
ly to hear comment to the effect
that you can't believe a thing that
is in the papers. The comment
herein might erroneously be taken
as confirming that thought. News
reports of minor war advancements
and defeats are, due to the censor-
ship, contradictory and often very
confusing but as time goes on we
realize that in spite of every effort
to prevent it, we know in a gen-
eral way what is happening. As
time goes on and means of get-
ting information out in more de-
tailed and more accurate form, we
shall be better informed.

Editorials on News

(Continued from page 1.)

ing had worn off.

WHEN the great Turkish earth-
quake came, 15 prisoners serv-
ing long penal sentences in the
Erzincan barracks scorned the op-
portunity to escape afforded by
the crumbling of their prison walls
and for days risked their lives
helping to rescue more than 1,000
persons buried in the wreckage.

Recall at this point the ancient
jingle:

"There's so much good in the world
of us
And so much bad in the best of us
That it'll become any of us
To speak evil of the rest of us."

PERTINENT question, did you
EVER know anyone so bad
that he didn't have ANY GOOD
IN HIM?

If you want to feel better about
the business future, read this

dispatch from New York:

"Showing but little reaction from
the holiday spirit, the past week's
retail trade continued to run well
ahead of the same period of last
year, Dun & Bradstreet reported
today (Friday) in its weekly sur-
vey."

When retail trade lags, business
is bad and is GOING TO BE
WORSE. When retail trade booms,
business is good and is GOING TO
BE BETTER.

WHEN retail trade is poor, goods
pile up on the shelves and
sooner or later the factories have
to shut down for lack of a market.
When retail trade is active, goods
MOVE OFF THE SHELVES and the
factories put on more help to
supply the resulting demand.

Home Power Rates at Eugene Cut by Board

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 9.—(AP)—
A 15 per cent cut in home power
rates was ordered last night by
the Eugene water board at its
first 1940 meeting. Commercial
rates were reduced 16 per cent.

The reductions will take effect
March 1 and will result in a sav-
ing estimated at \$65,000 annually.
A sharp decrease, resulting in a
\$70,000 annual saving, was put into
effect at the start of 1939.

The reductions will remain even
if Bonneville power does not come
to Eugene, the board said.

The board, anticipating a large
increase in power usage, author-
ized \$40,850 for additional facili-
ties.

KRNR Mutual Broadcasting System 1800 Kilocycles

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., MBS.
4:15—Haven of Rest, MBS.
4:45—Tea Time Dance.
5:15—Sinfonietta, MBS.
5:30—Console Sketches.
5:45—Tonight's Tune.
6:05—News, Calif. Pacific Utili-
ties Co.
6:10—News-Review News Flashes.
6:15—War News from the West-
ern Front, MBS.
6:25—Musical Interlude.
6:30—John B. Hughes, MBS.
6:45—Dinner Dance.
7:00—Toronto Symphony, MBS.
7:15—Mutual Maestros.
7:30—Ned Jordan, Secret Agent,
MBS.
7:45—Adventures in Rhythm,
MBS.
8:00—Interlude.
8:15—Dick Jurgens' Orchestra,
MBS.
8:45—Twilight Trails, Avalon Cig-
arettes, MBS.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News, MBS.
9:15—Johnny Long's Orchestra,
MBS.
9:30—Muzzy Marcellino's Orchestra,
MBS.
9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr., MBS.
10:00—Sign Off.

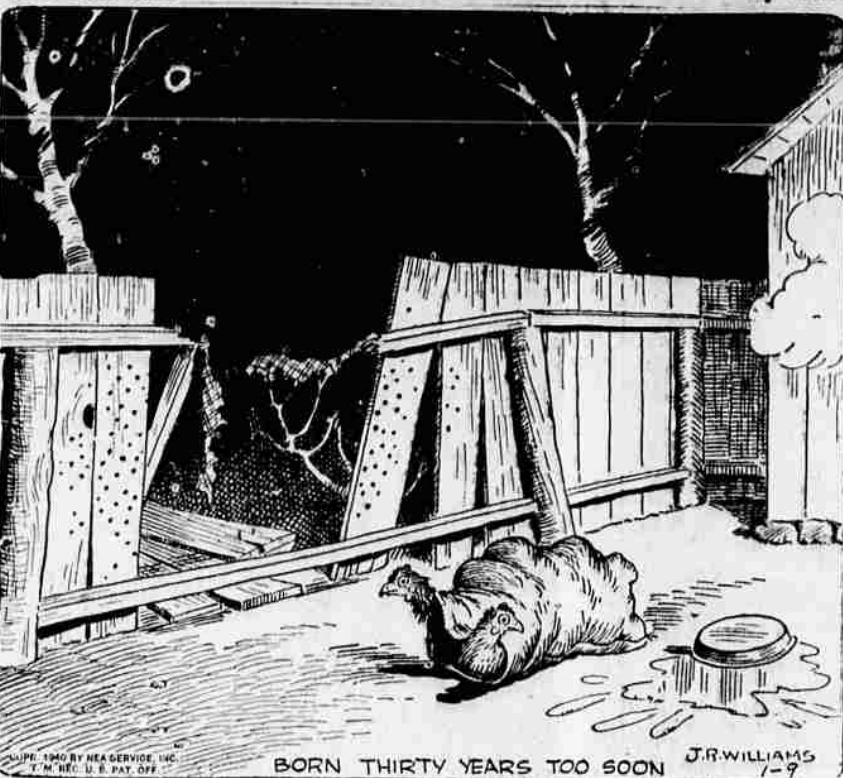
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 10

7:00—Stuff and Nonsense.
7:30—News-Review of the Air.
7:45—News, Gilmore Corner.
7:45—J. M. Judd Says "Good
Morning."
7:50—Twenty in Wax.
8:00—Breakfast Club, MBS.
8:30—Keep Fit to Music, MBS.
8:45—Homemakers Forum, MBS.
9:00—Man About Town.
9:15—Sons of the Pioneers, MBS.
9:30—Ma Perkins, Proctor &
Gamble, MBS.
9:45—Tonight Trio, MBS.
10:00—Varieties.
10:15—The Hitmakers, MBS.
10:30—Ohio School of the Air,
MBS.
10:45—Adventures of Uncle Jim-
my, Coppo.
11:00—Hollywood Whispers, MBS.
11:15—Openair's Hawaiian, MBS.
11:30—Scrapbook Stories, MBS.
11:45—Jimmy Kennedy's Orch.,
MBS.
12:00—Luncheon Dance.
12:15—Happy Larry Lawrence,
MBS.
12:30—Rhythm at Random.
12:35—Parkinson's Information Ex-
change.
12:45—News, Safeway Stores.
12:50—News-Review of the Air.
1:00—Henninger's Man on the
Street.
1:15—Don Lee School of the Air,
MBS.
1:30—The Quiet Hour.
2:00—At Your Command.
2:15—The Johnson Family, MBS.
2:30—Melody Matinee.
2:45—Dick Kuhn's Orch., MBS.
2:50—Harold Turner, Pianist,
MBS.
3:15—Stokes' Orch., MBS.
3:45—Marriage License Romances,
MBS.
4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., MBS.
4:15—Haven of Rest, MBS.
4:45—Tea Time Dance.
5:00—Bob Crosby's Orch., MBS.
5:20—Stump's Cost You Money,
MBS.
5:45—Varieties.
6:00—Tonight's Tune.
6:05—News, Calif. Pacific Utili-
ties Co.
6:10—News-Review News Flashes.
6:15—"This War," MBS.
6:30—John B. Hughes, Avalon Cig-
arettes, MBS.
6:45—Dinner Dance.
7:00—Music by Faith, MBS.
7:15—Mutual Maestros.
7:30—Louie Rainer, MBS.
8:00—Romance in Rhythm, MBS.
8:15—Alvino Rey's Orch., MBS.
8:30—Interlude.
8:45—Dick Jurgens' Orch., MBS.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News, MBS.
9:15—Guy Lombardo's Orch.,
MBS.
9:30—Phil Harris' Orch., MBS.
9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr., MBS.
10:00—Sign Off.

NOTICE

Joint installation of officers with
Rebekah Tuesday evening, Janu-
ary 9. All members of Philanthropic
Lodge, No. 8, I. O. O. F., please be
present.
Howard Gieseler, Noble Grand,
(Adv.)

OUT OUR WAY



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

ATTACK ON AMERICA!

Chilling Exposé of U. S. Lack of Defense

By
GENERAL ARED WHITE

WHO'S WHO AND WHAT'S HAPPENED

VAN HASSEK, master of Mexi-
can forces, now preparing for
an attack on the United States.

BENNING, during United States
intelligence officer in Mexico
City to get the Mexican picture
and impersonate Lieutenant
Bromlitz, Bromlitz, an intelli-
gence operator for Van Hassek, in
field communication in France.

COLONEL BRAYOT, the Mexi-
can chief of service, at one time
was in an American uniform at
San Antonio. He is re-
cognized by Benning.

CAPTAIN SCHROFF, Van Has-
sek's majordomo.

MADMOISELLE LUCETTE
DUCOS, a charming young French
agent who was Bromlitz's unde-
ling. Benning decides he must
accept Lucette as an associate but
tells her they must work sepa-
rately. She tells him Bromlitz
escaped three days after Benning
left Paris and that Colonel Bravot
of the air service has given
her important information. Also
that she and Benning are invited
to a party at Van Hassek's the
next evening.

CHAPTER VI

In his regal suite in the Palacio
Nacional the next night, Van Has-
sek had replaced his khaki field
uniform with peacock military
dalliance. Four military
aides danced attendance. Guests
were high officers of the Van
Hassek staff, Germans, Italians,
Austrians, a Frenchman, one Eng-
lishman, and several Mexicans. A
bevy of attractive señoritas had
been invited.

Benning found discomfort in the
presence of Colonel Bravot, alias
Sergeant Gaudios. But Bravot was
to remain only a few minutes, his
departure made the occasion of
a puzzling ceremony. A Van Has-
sek staff colonel assembled all
the guests in the main living room.
Champagne was passed around.
Van Hassek, from the moment of
the French girl's arrival, had en-
tered his attentions upon Mlle.
Ducos. Benning promptly sus-
pected that she was the real mo-
tive for this Van Hassek party, a
show to turn her head.

But the Benning interest had
centered upon a scowling Bava-
rian lieutenant who sat in Van Has-
sek's adjoining military room,
shut off by thick draperies. The
Bavarian's erect posture suggest-
ed that he was present on a pure-
ly duty status. It was obvious
that the object of his vigil was
the Van Hassek blacked desk.

Benning had noted, in his covert
surveys of the desk room, that
there was a key in the wide flat
drawer immediately under the
desk top, a drawer that ordinari-
ly controls the other drawers of
a desk. But he knew that so long
as the Bavarian remained on guard
Van Hassek's desk was secure
against prowlers, and he surmised
that the Bavarian would re-
main at his post until the guests
were gone.

Out of the drunken din of Van
Hassek's party a grim plan
was taking shape in Benning's
mind. A desperate coup, yet one
that grew upon him with a fast-
ening he could not resist.

With patient caution he waited
his time. The hour was close to
midnight when he chose his op-
portunity to strike. He stalked
into the military room in the man-
ner of a man who has been drink-
ing too much. The Bavarian sat
at his job, still as a ramrod.

"A command for you, Lieuten-
ant," Benning blurted at him in
German. "Van will report at once
to Excellence's junior adjute-
camp in the bar. See to it that
you lose no time!"

The Bavarian looked up with a
questioning scowl, then sprang to
his feet under the habit of obe-
dience to a superior officer. He
hesitated for a moment, and stalk-
ed through the heavy portieres
and headed toward the bar.

As the portieres slipped behind
the lieutenant of Van Hassek's
desk, Benning turned the key in

the top drawer. His steady hand
extracted the one document that
he found there, a folded linen map.
Benning's face went taut as his
hand thrust it open and he saw
the legend of arrows superimposed
on a map of the United States
and upper Mexico. A glance told
him that the arrows pointed to vul-
nerable points of possible inva-
sion. Behind each arrow that
pointed across the Mexican border
were figures of five digits.

He sense rather than heard the
retreating Bavarian. Instantly he
thrust the map into the breast of
his loose khaki tunic, closed the
open drawer of Van Hassek's desk.
Benning strode through the cur-
tains into the reception room at
the identical moment that the Ba-
varian re-entered.

Although as an essential to his
business, he had learned control
of his emotions, Benning was un-
able to put down the rocking sus-
pense of the next few moments.
Would the Bavarian discover at
once that Van Hassek's desk had
been tampered with? Benning's
brief survey of the map had given
him the vital information for
which he had been playing.
If no harm came now, he could
slip away in the night, haul out the
Fernando plane from its hangar,
and fly through to the border.

The Bavarian came driving
through the portieres, black trag-
edy in his distended eyes. His
cheeks were flushed and heavy
lids veiled at neck and forehead.

The Bavarian strode to a colonel
of the staff and whispered avidly.
The colonel hurried over to Van
Hassek.

Mlle. Ducos picked up in Ben-
ning's face some hint of his sus-
pense. She left Van Hassek, now
paving drunk, and crossed the
room.

"Something has gone wrong,
monsieur," she whispered anxiously.
"You have been up to mischief
in Van Hassek's room."

"Concealed in my tunic," Benning
answered at once. "I have Van
Hassek's operations map—the
most dangerous secret in Mexico.
You must drop me at once."

"Let me have the map, mon-
sieur," she whispered.

"I took a desperate gamble,"
Benning coolly rejoined. "I've lost
it, my friend, not yours."

With a quick decisiveness the
French girl threw her arms about
Benning's neck and kissed him to
screen the deft movement in which
she stripped the map from under
his tunic. She stood close to him
while she concealed the document
in her dress. Then she stepped
back, and at him, and angrily slap-
ped his face.

"Very well," she raged, in a
voice that reached through the
room. "If that's the way you feel
about me, you can go to the
devil!"

Van Hassek slowly drew himself
erect and his face went taut as he
received the alarm from his staff
colonel. One moment Van Hassek
was drunk, the next moment coolly
sober.

"No one will leave my quarters,
Colonel," Van Hassek calmly in-
structed. "With the help of my
aides you will search everyone
present, including our own officers,
until you find the spy and recover
my map. At once!"

Order doors were promptly lock-
ed, windows put under guard. All
were required to assemble in the
ballroom, thence to be taken one
at a time to Van Hassek's bed-
room for examination.

dence on the unmasking of a spy.
Benning's thoughts were inter-
rupted by a sudden noisy commo-
tion, the half-hysterical cries of a
Mexican girl who was being thrust
into the ballroom from Van Has-
sek's bedroom. The staff colonel
marched across to Van Hassek and
handed him the stolen operations
map.

"Excellency, I found it pinned
under the lace flounces of this
wench's gown," the colonel re-
ported.

Van Hassek took the map with a
casual hand, opened it for identifi-
cation, and slowly smiled. He
tucked the document into the gold
sash at his waist, and with a toss
of his hand indicated that the pris-
oner be taken away in close ar-
rest. The Mexican girl, loudly pro-
testing innocence, was bundled out
of the room. Van Hassek turned
to his remaining guests with a
cool bow.

"Good night, my friends," he said
gravely. "I regret it if your pleas-
ure has been spoiled tonight, but
on some other evening I'll expect
to make amends. Now I must busy
myself with the details of what has
happened. Buenos noches."

Mlle. Ducos did not speak as
Benning took her home in a cab.
When they were alone, Benning
saw her under an unexpected
transformation. Her eyes filled
with tears and she sobbed softly
to herself. Presently she recover-
ed her self-possession and dried her
eyes.

"I suppose I shouldn't have such
scruples about that girl when so
many lives are at stake," she ra-
tionalized. "But I had no alterna-
tive than to do what I did. I
only hope she convinces Van Has-
sek of her innocence—or he de-
cides she is too attractive to die."

He busied himself with maps and
pencil. From time to time as he
worked he closed his eyes to ex-
amine the sensitive film of his
memory. A Van Hassek arrow
thrust its point across the border
at Laredo. Behind its shaft was
the figure 50,000. At Brownsville
was the figure 10,000, at Eagle Pass
another 10,000. On the California
frontier were two arrows joined to-
gether behind a curved line, their
points aimed at Tecate and Tia
Juana, in the region of San Diego.
The figure here was 60,000.

Four arrows thrust from the Pa-
cific, behind them no legends. One
pointed to Seattle, a second at the
mouth of the Columbia river, a
third just north of San Francisco,
a fourth at San Diego. On the At-
lantic side, groups of red arrows
pointed at critical points from Bos-
ton to New Orleans. Here, again,
there were no figures.

Benning handed his reproduction
of Van Hassek's key map to
Mlle. Ducos. He saw the blood
drain from her face as she studied
it. She looked up at him with
startled, staring eyes. "Mon Dieu,
monsieur! This means the very
worst is to happen! Such attack
upon you will set the whole world
in flames!"

Benning got up and put on his
cap.
"I am leaving Mexico at once,
mademoiselle," he said calmly.
"You are welcome to come along
with me if you don't mind taking
some chances with a pilot who's
somewhat out of practice."

(To be continued)

Here yesterday—A. M. Lady, of
Riddle, was a business visitor in
this city yesterday.

TRY MODEL BAKERY FRENCH BREAD

Fine Flavor
Fresh Daily
BUY IT FROM
YOUR GROCER

New Organization Of Vets Begun Here

Organization of a local post of
the Regular Veterans association is
being undertaken by Matthew M.
Adams, of Roseburg, acting under
instructions from national head-
quarters of the association at
Washington, D. C. Mr. Adams an-
nounced today. The Regular Veter-
ans association is an organization
of active, retired, disabled and
honorable discharged regulars of
the United States regular army,
navy, marine corps and coast
guard. The purpose of the organi-
zation, Mr. Adams reports, is to
co-operate wholeheartedly with all
other bonafide veterans organiza-
tions and groups and to assist in
the promotion of adequate and ef-
ficient national defense; to protect
the interests of its members and
to maintain the institutions of
free speech and religion.

Veterans eligible for member-
ship and desiring to participate in
the organization of a Douglas coun-
ty post, are requested by Mr. Adams
to contact him at his address,
R. F. D. 1, Box 69, Roseburg.

**Cauliflower Prices Sag
as Shipments Increase**

A drop of 30 cents per crate in
cauliflower prices since the middle
of last week has occurred as a re-
sult of increases in shipments
from California to the Pacific
northwest, it was announced here
today by Floyd Lewis of the Pa-
cific Fruit and Produce company.

Local cauliflower last week was
selling at 90 cents per crate, f. o. b.
Roseburg, for No. 1 grade, with No.
2 grade selling at 70 cents. A 10-
cent drop occurred on both grades
over the week-end and today an ad-
ditional 20 cents was lopped off the
price, bringing No. 1 grade to 60
cents and No. 2 to 40 cents.

The Pacific coast market, it was
reported, is being flooded with
cauliflower from the San Jose dis-
trict principally, the California
product selling at 50 and 40 cents
per crate.

Joseph F. Saxon, World War Veteran, Passes

Joseph F. Saxon, 44, former resi-
dent of Los Angeles, died at the
Veterans Hospital last Sunday fol-
lowing a prolonged illness. He
was born at Home Brook, Pa.,
February 8, 1895, and served in
the world war. He was a bagger,
1st class, with Company E, 32nd
infantry.

The body has been removed to
the Douglas Funeral home and
will be forwarded Wednesday to
San Francisco, where burial will
be made in the national cemetery
at the presidio.

MRS. M. C. MARTYN, FORMER
ROSEBURG RESIDENT, DIES

Mrs. Myrtle C. Martyn, a resi-
dent of Roseburg at the time her
husband, Charles W. Martyn, was
a Southern Pacific train dispatcher
here, died last Saturday, Janu-
ary 6, in Portland. She was a
member of a pioneer Oregon fam-
ily named Howell. Surviving Mrs.
Martyn are her husband, a son
and three grandchildren.

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LOCAL NEWS

Will Visit Parents—Mrs. Ker-
mit Johnson of Snohomish, Wash.,
is expected to arrive here tonight
to spend a week or ten days visit-
ing with her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
R. W. Marsters.

Returning From Meeting—
George Hiltion, Ed W. Hughes and
W. W. Canby, all residents of
Grants Pass, visited briefly in
Roseburg today on their way home
from Salem, where they have
been attending a meeting of the
Associated Farmers of Oregon.

Improving at Hospital—Vincent
Malone, chief engineer at the Vet-
erans Administration facility, is
reported to be improved in health
at the V.A.P. hospital, but is still
unable to receive visitors. He has
been seriously ill for the last sev-
eral weeks.

VALUES FOR JANUARY

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Metal Frame With Pad and Cover \$2.50

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Clothes Baskets
Willow
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\$1.25

Wash Tubs
No. 2, 90c

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Why Do Engineers Buy Dodge?

4061 ENGINEERS BOUGHT DODGE CARS IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS!*

Men Who Know A Great Car Say Dodge
Gives Most For Your Money

If you ever had any doubt about what car gives
you most for your money, this fact should help
you decide: 4,061 engineers bought Dodge in the
last 12 months!

Think of it! Men who know a great car when
they see it not only praise Dodge, but buy it for
their own use in preference to other cars!

And remember, Dodge engineering costs nothing
extra! It is part and parcel of today's new Dodge,
with its smart new lines, its gorgeous interiors, its
host of new ideas. See your Dodge dealer today!

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