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It is most encouraging to note definite signs of awakening in the area served by the Pacific highway in Oregon. For years there has been talk of an association for U. S. 99 similar to the Redwood Empire organization, the Shasta-Cascade group and others.

But there has been very little done until the past year. There has been a supreme sluggishness in the Pacific highway area. The general attitude seemed to be that of course the Pacific would be the greatest, most important and carry the heaviest traffic of any Oregon route. There could be no doubt, it seemed to think, that the highway building authorities would give this highway the most attention in the way of rebuilding and modernizing. The main travel would certainly be over this old established and direct north and south route through the state, we assumed.

What really happened, and is happening, is quite the reverse. During the period of complacency, a through highway has been constructed to the east of us. Another through highway, a very scenic one, has been completed on the coast. Improvements have been made on both ends of 99 providing access to the other routes but little has been done to improve the 150 mile section in the center of the state.

The traffic instead of continuing to use the old established Pacific highway route has rapidly learned of the others and is using them.

But we are awakening. The very well attended meeting of the Pacific Highway association Monday indicated an interest that has not existed heretofore. Nearly all of the principal Pacific highway communities were represented. They talked of raising a large budget and there was no haggling over pennies. Manager Rynearson obviously has the backing of the officers and the membership and there was harmony and united determination that was pleasing to see.

United action, as it seems we now have, will do wonders for this area as time goes on. We can and will see to it that a really good military highway is provided through the state. We can and will see to it that the advantages, beauties and interesting places along U. S. 99 are properly advertised to the people of the United States who, during these war years, may be inspired to spend their travel money within our borders rather than across the oceans. A strong Pacific Highway association is the answer.

Editorials on News (Continued from page 1)

HERE is a challenging statement: E. A. Goldenweiser, research director for the federal reserve board, says: "The United States treasury's \$17,700,000,000 gold hoard (about 60 per cent of the world's gold supply) is an asset which is of LITTLE VALUE NOW and whose value in the future is unpredictable."

WHY is the future value of our immense gold hoard unpredictable? This simple illustration suggests the answer: If you were playing store and using clam shells for money and one boy GOT ALL THE CLAM SHELLS, what would the rest of you do? You'd probably start using something else for money.

Lowlands Still Braced for Action

BRUSSELS, Jan. 17. (AP)—The new United States ambassador to Belgium, John Cudahy, assumed his post with unprecedented speed today amidst tension accompanying recent preparations by Belgium and the Netherlands for defense against invasion.

Cudahy, former minister to Ireland, was ordered over the weekend, calling technicians to the colors—a stage next to complete mobilization—are to be maintained "for some time," Gen. Denis, defense minister, said in an interview today.

"Our information and general impressions made it necessary," he said, "we must always be alert."

Asked about the Finnish war, Gen. Denis said it was comforting for Belgium and similar countries to see it demonstrated that a small country and a small army if adequately equipped and commanded could face a much stronger enemy.

"It proves to us," he said, "that we made no mistake in our armaments and no one is better equipped than Belgium against tanks, thanks to our 47 anti-tank guns."

The German version of the scare in the low countries over the possibility of a new invasion to the west, the French Magasin line was that the anxiety was "made in Paris," to provoke Germany into an aggressive move against those two neutral neighbors.

A Belgian economic delegate, who just returned from Germany, is reported to have arranged for continued imports of German coal and smoother passage of Belgian exports to Germany.

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U. S. Export Trade Shows Heavy Gain

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17. (AP)—United States exports during December amounted to \$358,000,000—the largest total for any month in nearly a decade.

Large shipments of airplanes, petroleum and metals to Great Britain and France helped boost the total to about \$71,000,000 above that of November and \$22,000,000 above December, 1938, the commerce department reported.

Alplane shipments to the allies accounted for \$29,000,000 of the total exports.

Cotton exports increased from \$30,288,000 in November to \$42,000,000 in December. Italy, Spain, China and India were the principal purchasers.

Exports to Latin America amounted to \$75,105,000, an increase of about \$7,600,000.

Wallace Favors Federal Control of Timber Cut

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17. (AP)—Secretary Wallace urged today the adoption of a "constructive" national forestry policy embodying governmental regulation of timber cutting practices on privately owned land and the extension of public ownership and management of forests.

He told a joint congressional committee on forestry that, despite present conservation efforts, the United States was still depleting its "capital stock of usable forests"—just as we are still depleting our capital stock of soil resources.

The essential elements of a national forestry program the secretary of agriculture said, are cooperation between governmental agencies and owners of private forest lands and increased purchases of forest land by the government.

Olefin Files for Another Term in Legislature

SALEM, Jan. 17. (AP)—O. Henry Olefin of St. Helens filed today for the democratic nomination for state representative from Columbia county the post he held in the 1933, 1935 and 1937 sessions.

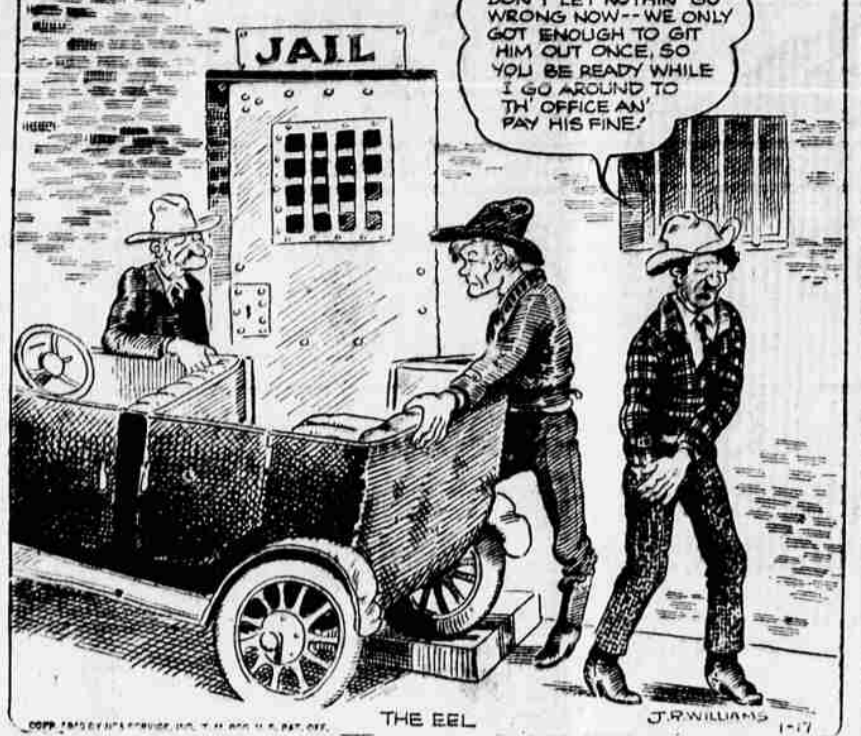
Olefin sought the democratic gubernatorial nomination in 1938, losing to Henry L. Hess, former Gov. Charles H. Martin was second in the race.

Olefin's campaign will be based on more money for schools and old age pensions. The district now is represented by J. D. Perry, beer island democrat.

Donald Gerretsen, Age 11, Youngest Donor to Finns

The youngest local contributor to the Finnish relief fund, being collected by the Roseburg News-Review is Donald Gerretsen, aged 11 years, who today made his cash gift. Donald made his donation from money he earned himself selling

OUT OUR WAY



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County Officials Discuss Replacement of Taxes

BEND, Jan. 17. (AP)—Judges and commissioners from seven counties discussed methods yesterday of gassing federal contributions to replace taxes formerly received from lands taken over by the government.

They will ask representatives of western Oregon counties to pay half the cost of presenting legislation to congress.

Those attending the session included Morris C. Bowker, Roseburg, chairman of the committee on federal contributions in lieu of taxes; Karl B. Day, of Gold Hill; U. F. Reeder, Klamath Falls; J. R. Heckman, Lakeview.

Diamond Lake Reports Snow Up to 22 Inches

Diamond lake, devoid of snow at the first of the year, now has 22 inches of snow at the south end of the lake and 10 inches around the resort at the north end, according to a report received this morning by telephone at the local headquarters of the Umpqua national forest.

The weather is clear and mild with night temperatures around 30 degrees. There is no snow at Big Camas ranger station.

Funeral Services Held Tuesday for Rev. Wood

Funeral services for Rev. D. N. Wood, who was pastor of the former Methodist Episcopal church, South, of Roseburg, were held in St. Luke's church, Tuesday, Jan. 16, at 10 o'clock. Rev. H. S. Shangle of Walla Walla, Washington, officiating. He was assisted by Dr. Louis Magrin and Rev. A. J. Starnier, of Roseburg; Rev. Joseph Knotts of Medford and Rev. J. P. Bray of Myrtle Creek. Rev. W. F. Fugate, Rev. J. L. Chaney and Rev. W. Woodruff of Myrtle Creek were also present. Those attending from Roseburg were Rev. and Mrs. Levi White, Mrs. Fred Southwick, Mrs. W. J. Adair, Mrs. C. E. Thomas and Mrs. A. Brown.

Theta Rho Club to Meet — Alpha Zeta Theta Rho Girls' club will meet Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock at the I. O. O. F. hall.

Transient Relief Needs Increasing

Demands for transient relief by the Salvation Army are steadily increasing, Captain Vivian Vanderstals, commanding officer of the Roseburg corps, told the local advisory board at a meeting held last night in the chamber of commerce office.

The number of transients added jumped from 96 in November to 150 in December and the January total promises to exceed that of December, the board was told.

Reporting on the year's activities, Captain Vanderstals stated that garments and shoes were distributed without charge to 481 persons during 1939, that 400 meals were served by the local corps and that rooms were supplied for 84 persons.

The Christmas activity included distribution of baskets to 40 needy families, donation of clothing to 39 persons, gifts of 165 toys and 39 Christmas dinners for transients.

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As Captain Boll sprang into his station wagon with his lieutenants, and sped to the head of his truck column to set the pace, his eye caught the flash of light that turned the swirling night into day some miles ahead of him.

"Step on her!" he barked at his driver. "They'll spot us in a minute—and we're still in artillery range."

The driver put the station wagon up to forty-five miles an hour down the dim gray ribbon of the road, and Boll, so seeing that he was pulling well ahead of his trucks, ordered his driver to ease down slightly.

A burst of flame crashed in the skies. The bark of high-explosive shell shook the glass windows of the station wagon.

Boll sat with hands gripping his knees while he observed the bursts. Luckily they were striking to the right and doing no damage. He shortly the firing ceased, the air observer roared by again with a flare, and rushed off to radio correction to the distant gunners.

He saw that there was the first touch of gray in the air, dawn only a matter of minutes. His jaw snapped shut as he faced the front, eyes glued to the road. A new vengeance would leap down upon his column as soon as light came, a vengeance he would be little able to cope with. It would be a miracle if he reached the Nuces with half of his men and trucks.

As the night thinned out, he caught the distant hum of this new vengeance. The hoofs of his cargo trucks were stripped of canvas, the men would be able to fight back while in movement, but inevitably there must come halts while broken trucks were pushed off the road and wounded men gathered up.

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ATTACK ON AMERICA! Starting Expose of U. S. Lack of Defense

By GENERAL ARED WHITE

WHO'S WHO AND WHAT'S HAPPENED... GENERAL HAGUE, chief of staff of the U. S. army... COLONEL FLAGWELL, chief of U. S. military intelligence... CAPTAIN BENNING, U. S. intelligence officer working to uncover Van Hasek's spies in Washington.

VAN HASEK, military dictator of Mexico attacks unprepared America. Air raids are reported from New Orleans, Galveston, San Antonio and Houston. Mexicans bomb the white house and the president is killed. Mobilization is in progress and general hysteria prevails.

CAPTAIN BOLL, commander of outpost companies of the 11th U. S. infantry in Texas... GENERAL BRILL, area commander of the U. S. army in Texas is ordered by General Hague to proceed against the enemy and make a stand in front of San Antonio.

CHAPTER XIII... Circling to the south, Brill found the due-south road to Kirk, which was under military traffic control, and sped to the village, where he found General Mole, division commander. Mole was a thin bit of military hickory now bearing retirement awe.

General Mole received his superior's battle orders with a monosyllabic acquiescence, as if to hoard his faded energies, and promptly set to work with his staff. The division staff was familiar with the country and made prompt plans for organization of a defensive position. Orders were ready within half an hour, and since there was no enemy immediately in prospect, the regiments proceeded to their positions in their cargo trucks.

The field artillery went grimly about the business of organization for defense. Theoretically the artillery equipment included new 105-millimeter cannon, but these guns were not yet out of factory. There were two regiments, one of 75-millimeter, one of 155-bowlers, ancient vintage cannon, but equipped with adaptors and capable of traveling along with the infantry at high speed with their rubber-tired caissons drawn by fast trucks.

As for the new regimental anti-mechanized companies with their armor-piercing guns to repel enemy tanks, the new weapons were yet to be furnished, and dependence had to be placed on the old 37-millimeter gun that might be effective against light tanks, although futile against the heavier tanks of Van Hasek's heavy tank regiments. As for division tanks, these had been eliminated from the new streamliner, and no tank companies were immediately available for attachment to the second.

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of wounded men and dead. Boll saw the survivors act promptly to extricate themselves, gather up the maimed and flag down succeeding vehicles.

He wondered how close his trucks were to the limit of their carrying capacity. Three trucks out, seven more men wounded. The more seriously wounded men required space in which to lie down in their agony. The village of Encinal flashed by. Boll shook his head and swore bitterly. Encinal told him that he had little more than started on his long, desperate run. Next would come Artesia Wells, which would be little more than halfway to the Nuces.

He looked at his watch and saw the hour was short of six o'clock. He groaned and passed a tormenting hand across his face. Stung by a truck, he was making it through. His mind made a hasty calculation. At their rate of kill, those vehicles would tear his column to pieces before he could run under the dubious cover ahead.

His eye chanced to notice his hand and he saw his fingers were smeared red. Boll searched his face. Blood was oozing from a slash across his cheek. Blood was oozing from a gash across his cheek. He remembered a bullet that had fanned close, but he had felt no pain. He dismissed the injury from his mind.

He roared an order to stop the truck and leaped to the ground. The unwounded men with him he instructed to keep up their rifles. Standing beside the road he signaled the halt, motioned the command to detruck. As his eye went back into the air, his mind was lifted suddenly out of the depths of black despair by a joyous miracle of development. Those new planes were closing in and he made out by the shape of wings and fuselage that they were not Van Hasek's planes.

Boll's hand flashed out to his field-glasses. He glued them to the skies. From under the wings of those rushing squadrons flashed the glorious legend "U. S. Army."

American planes plummeted down. Van Hasek's bombers now were drooping about in a Lufberry circle awaiting the development of attack. In a twinkling the American birdmen projected an audacious assault. Planes circled, dove, rolled, darted in the throes of combat. A plane came whistling down. Boll's jaw tightened as he saw the first casualty was an American plane. But quickly two of Van Hasek's birdmen came tumbling out of the sky.

If the Van Hasek pilots had stood for reinforcements, they now decided upon precipitate flight against superior number. Another Van Hasek plane went down. In a minute the cloud of parting falcens passed into the distance behind.

A moon sun was burning the baked hills and swales when Boll's survivors rolled in on a second division outpost south of Kirk. Boll's cheek, eaked in blood, was throbbing with pain, his right arm hung stiff and useless at his side. He climbed from the truck and stolidly checked his command as it came through the outpost. Forty-two maimed in the throes of wounds, twenty-nine had been left dead along the crimson road from Laredo.

The outpost commander came hurrying up. "Sorry to report in with my command shot to pieces like this, Colonel," Boll reported in grim dejection. "But the only choice was capture. Where's the hospital, sir? My wounded must have care at once."

Spend Day Here—Mrs. A. M. Ison and Mrs. James Morrison, residents of Bridge, Ore., spent Tuesday in this city visiting friends and attending to business.

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