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DON'T berate yourself if some-
one mentions a book you
haven't read. There are lots of
others who haven't read it, and
even the most avid bookworms
would have to be supernatural to
keep up with the regular deluge
of literary fodder that pours from
the presses.

Last year, 7,953 books were pub-
lished in this country. If you man-
aged to dust off an average of five
volumes a week, you did pretty
well; yet, you just scratched the
surface. You still missed 7733 of
the 7953 books circulated. To cover
them all, you would have had to
read more than 21 books each day.

You may as well reconcile your-
self to the fact that it's impos-
sible for anyone to keep up with
the world today. The best you can
hope for is that you don't fall too
far behind.

MOST people probably shared
vicariously with Mrs. William
E. Borah the pang of comfort she
must have felt when she opened
the safely deposited box of her late
husband and dug her hand into
\$267,000 in cash and government
bonds. The discovery was unex-
pected. Mrs. Borah was even then
planning to abandon her apart-
ment and move to more modest
quarters as an economy meas-
ure.

In a small way, anyone who has
ever run across a dollar bill in
an abandoned vest will know how
Mrs. Borah felt. The savings were
funds the late senator had evi-
dently been storing away for a
long time, to provide for his vi-
dual after his death.

The fund seems even more re-
markable in the light of Senator
Borah's weakness for private phil-
anthropies. It was well known
that he never turned away anyone
who needed help, with the result
that he paid out vast sums to in-
dignits.

If rats could vote, the human race
in this country would be in for
some pretty shabby treatment.
Rats outnumbered human popula-
tion in the United States two to
one. The estimate comes not as
an adjunct to the diurnal census,
but, instead, from the American
Chemical society, which has
spent considerable time plotting
effective means of mass homicide
against the rodent horde. Each rat,
it is said, manages to get in
about \$2 worth of damage each
year to bring the total annual val-
uation to \$500,000,000.

It appears that the time is ripe
for that man, whoever he is,
to build that better trap so that
the world can start looking to its door.
Rats might not take over the country
at any early date, but at least
something ought to be done to save
the woodwork.

Editorials on News
(Continued from page 1.)

In the event of war, when the first
supply of ammunition was shot
away there wouldn't be any more,
because Romanian munition plants
aren't fooling to manufacture Ger-
man ammunition.

There are tricks in all trades,
but more in the war trade than
others.

If you think it strange that Ger-
many should be willing to sell
guns and ammunition to Rumania,
with whom she may later be at
war, remember that when our own
West was being conquered there
were plenty of Americans who
were willing to sell repeating rifles
to the Indians.

range bombing planes for a great
attack on England in the spring.
The British counter with faster
fighting planes with machine guns
in their tails.

(The objective in air duels so
far has been to get on the other
fellow's tail, that having been the
fighting, plane's defenseless spot.
Machine guns in the tail, mounted
in revolving turrets, are intend-
ed to cure this weakness.)

It's much like the time-honored
naval race between defensive
armor and armor-piercing shells.
About as fast as one side has de-
veloped harder and thicker armor,
the other side has developed a gun
and a shell that would SHOOT
THROUGH IT.

Flying Dutchmen Lose

at Yoncalla by 1 Point

The Roseburg Flying Dutchmen
lost a heart-breaking basketball
game to the Yoncalla Townies in
a North Douglas Independent
league basketball game at Yon-
calla last night, 43 to 42. The
Roseburg team maintained a nar-
row lead, seldom more than three
points, throughout the game until
the last few minutes of play. As
the final minutes were ticking
away the Yoncalla team staged a
desperate and successful rally,
which brought victory by one point.

Lineups:
Roseburg (42) Pos (43) Yoncalla
Church (13) F Johnson
Ague (2) F (6) Thiel
Byrd (2) G (23) H. Parks
Cutter (10) G (7) Roberts
Morgan (15) G (7) Homei Parks

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. Wright Here—J. D. Wright,
of Dan Creek, spent yesterday in
this city on business.

Mr. Croucher in Town—George
Croucher, of Olalla, spent yester-
day here attending to business.

Reston Visitor Here—Charles
Wilson, of Reston, spent several
hours in this city yesterday on
business.

Glendale Residents Here—Mr.
and Mrs. Frank Hill, of Glendale,
were in Roseburg Monday attend-
ing to business.

Move—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Has-
kin and baby son have moved from
Chadwick street to 458 Pitzer
street to reside. Mr. Haskin is
manager of the Sunset Thrift store
here.

Goes to Los Angeles—Mrs. W. E.
Chandler, of this city, has left for
Los Angeles, Calif., to assist in the
care of her mother, who is con-
valescing from a recent major op-
eration.

Enjoy Trip—Mr. and Mrs. J. K.
Masters and their son-in-law and
daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Wil-
son, of this city, enjoyed a
trip to Marshfield and other
coast points this weekend.

Leaves for Kansas—Mrs. Frank
Henning has left for her home
near Wichita, Kansas, following a
stay in this city, where she was
called by the death of her sister,
Mrs. Altha Spough.

Back From Portland—Mr. and
Mrs. M. H. Green and Mrs. G. J.
Bacher and daughter, Miss Helen,
have returned to their homes, fol-
lowing a few days in Portland visit-
ing relatives and friends.

Leave For Santa Barbara—Mr.
and Mrs. E. J. Ellison and son,
Junior, have left for Santa Bar-
bara, Calif., to spend the winter
months. Junior will enter school
there and Mrs. Ellison plans to re-
turn to Roseburg in a short time
to attend to business matters.

Mr. Marks Home—C. E. Marks
has returned to his home in this
city, following several days in
Portland attending to business and
visiting his son-in-law and daugh-
ter, Mr. and Mrs. Redford Taster.
The latter was Miss Hazel Marks
of this city before her marriage.

Here For Week—Arthur Travis,
employee of the A. S. Wallace Con-
struction company on the Wolf
Creek highway, has arrived here
to spend a week at his home. His
brother, who is also an employee
of Mr. Wallace, is spending the
week visiting his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. John Travis, at Blandview.

VITAL STATISTICS

BORN
McGowan—To Mr. and Mrs.
Paul McGowan, of South Jackson
street, at Mercy hospital, Monday
February 5, a daughter; weight
seven pounds.

BOWKER—To Judge and Mrs.
M. C. Bowker at Mercy hospital to-
day, February 6, a daughter;
weight seven pounds, nine ounces.

Costly Carving
SEATTLE—Richard Hughes,
22, carpenter, whittled away the time
waiting to be tried on a minor traf-
fic case yesterday by hauling out a
pocket knife and carving his in-
fants in the back of a police court
spectator's bench.

Patronman H. McCullough dis-
covered his handkerchief just as the
"H" was taking form in the ma-
chine-stained wood.
Result: \$10 fine for the traffic
violation and \$5 for the woodcarv-
ing. Hughes had the \$10, but he
didn't wait in the dock until a
friend brought in the \$5.

NOTICE
Meeting of American Legion
Tuesday, Feb. 6, State commander
will be present. Other attractions,
Refreshments.
(Adv.)

ADJUTANT
Sutherland (37) (12) Oakland

OUT OUR WAY



FASTER THAN FAST

J. R. WILLIAMS 2-6

Bonneville Aide

Assembling Data

The Bonneville power admin-
istration, under the direction of Dr.
Paul J. Raver, administrator, work-
ing in cooperation with chambers
of commerce throughout the state,
is gathering data for use of indus-
tries seeking locations in Oregon.
C. Brazil, district engineer for the
administration, said here today.
Mr. Brazil, who spoke yesterday at
a membership meeting of the West
Douglas Electric cooperative, re-
cently opened a district office in
 Eugene. The newly established of-
fice will be used to handle routine
communications and purely local
matters in the territory south of
 Salem.

While speculation increased as to
the probable outcome, Joe Jacob-
son, who has managed two fights
that have had title fights with
Louis-Max Schmeling and Tony
Galante—gave Godoy a chance to
stay the full 15 rounds.

Although Jacobson is not a mem-
ber of the Godoy entourage, he has
watched the fighter and says "An-
tony is all head and elbow, a rug-
ged awkward mauler who is hard
to hit."

"Don't forget he is a hungry
fighter who needs money. He'll go
into the ring with a desperate de-
termination."

LONDON, Feb. 6.—(AP)—Tun-
ney Parr, British heavyweight, said
today that he had accepted terms
for a return fight with Champion
Joe Louis in the United States.

"I do not know what date, but I
expect it will be some time in
June," Parr said in announcing he
had telegraphed his acceptance to
Mike Jacobs, New York promoter.

He added that he was not con-
sidering other fights in America. "I
only want that return with Louis,"
he said.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to extend our heartfelt
thanks for the kind messages of
sympathy and help, and for the
beautiful floral offerings, in our
recent bereavement.
Mrs. C. E. Fredrickson
and family.

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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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1 Talented orchestra conductor.
10 Hops kilt.
13 Irish coin.
15 Italian coin.
16 Sky color.
17 Musical draft.
19 Fat.
21 To soak fax.
22 Coquet.
24 Born.
25 Bone.
26 Prescribed list of food.
27 Coin slit.
29 Spain.
30 Lost to view.
31 Railroad.
33 Unable to hear.
35 Semis.
36 To merit.
38 Laughable.
40 Inspired reverence.
41 Like.
42 Neither.
44 Southeast.
45 Kingly.

VERTICAL
2 Parts in dramas.
3 Tight.
4 To consume.
5 Right.
6 Habitually silent.
7 Smelt.
8 Clarifies.
9 Morindin dye.
10 Nothing.
11 Persia.
12 Nostrils.
16 He — over the radio.
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18 Wriggly fish.
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ATTACK ON AMERICA!

Startling Expose of U. S. Lack of Defense

By

GENERAL ARED WHITE

WHO'S WHO AND WHAT'S HAPPENED
Unprepared America is under at-
tack by Mexican forces under Mil-
itary Leader Van Hasek. Wash-
ington is bombed, the president is
killed and the secretary of state
succeeds him.

GENERAL HAGUE, chief of
staff of U. S. army.
COLONEL FLAGWILL, chief of
U. S. military intelligence in Wash-
ington.

MAJOR BENNING, young intelli-
gence officer—does distinguished
service in trailing Van Hasek's
agents.

U. S. land forces are compelled
to evacuate the Pacific coast.
U. S. ships are sunk. Panic pre-
vails. The new president is to
broadcast a message to the west
when the program is changed to a
proclamation of power by Van
Hasek, who will complete his oc-
cupation in a few days.

CHAPTER XXX
Each night for a week past,
Benning had gone to sleep with a
joyous, rhythmic throbbing in his
brain, the echo of what to him was
a glorious music. It was the music
of marching feet and of rolling
trains and caissons, music that
conjured up visions of a great day
yet to come.

What time he could find to him-
self away from his duties at GHQ
of late afternoons, he spent on the
roofs at the edge of Salt Lake list-
ening to that same rhythmic music.
It came from the heavy flight of
marching infantry on their way to
the westward train.

A beautiful sight were those
bronzed, strong bodies of men
who marched with slanted mus-
kets or sat upright in trucks, be-
hind their rolling caissons. They
showed their long hard months of
training, these rugged youngsters;
and their faces were bravely ran-
dant with a soldier's high morale
as they faced the west at last on
the great adventure.

At sunset of a June evening,
Benning's eyes lifted over that end-
less cafilecade he had been watch-
ing, and his gaze fixed on the crim-
son glow on the peaks of the Wa-
vato east of the city. It was on
this evening that Benning was
taken off to the west on vital mis-
sion that was to make history.

Texas and the Pacific states had
suffered unspeakable cruelties and
hardships under the heavy heels of
the invader. What wealth they had
was stripped to the bone, what en-
ergies they had were harnessed
to their armed oppressors.

There had been those months of
a reign of terror when cities with-
in range of the Atlantic were shell-
ed. Bombers rained the country's
great cities with death, carrying
their assaults in the dark of the
night far inland to such cities as
Chicago and St. Louis, Cleveland,
Boston, Cincinnati, Indianapolis.

What large city had not felt the
weight of predatory aircraft?
Then had come the Van Hasek
demand. President Tannard
himself had insisted that Van
Hasek be allowed to present the
whole country his terms of peace.
Over all the networks, Van Hasek
had spoke for the condition
powers. Peace could be had at
the price of Alaska, Hawaii, the
right of unrestricted immigration,
renunciation of the Monroe doc-
trine, internationalization of the
Panama canal.

Tannard's voice came ringing
back now in Benning's memory.
An answer to go down in history.
"The United States asks no
terms. We mean to destroy the
armies that have invaded our
shores and then we will hold to an
accounting those predatory powers
that are responsible for interna-
tional brigandage. That is our last
word to our enemies, until you
come before us on your knees in
the humility of utter defeat!"

There had been glorious days as
well, as the months drifted by.
There had been the day of two
months ago when the third army,
reorganized, reinforced, and invin-
cible, crashed down across Texas to
drive the invader south of the Rio
Grande.

Behind the passes of the Rockies
there was formed this great army
where fighting reserves to now
gathered into the west. Long pa-
tient months this had taken,
months that had tried the courage
and resources of the country.

Benning turned from his reflec-
tions to the realities of headquar-
ters. Dark was falling, the skies
were filling with planes, planes
that pointed their noses to the
west. In the vast caravan of men
and guns moved on in the endless
rhythm as it emptied the huge
training camps of the Salt Lake
valley of their half-million men.

At headquarters he checked his
personal effects, musette bag,
belt and pistol, map-case, field-
glasses, raincoat, steel helmet.
The buzzer from Flagwill's desig-
nated at eight o'clock. Flagwill
was now a two-star general with
the assignment of chief of staff of
the western group of field armies.

"Smells to me like a crush note,"
Flagwill said, stuffing at a small
linen envelope and handing it to
Benning. "But since it came from
Paris in the diplomatic pouch and
was shot here from Washington
by air courier, it may have some
importance."

Benning slit the envelope open
with a paper-knife. A message on
a single slip of paper, which bore
no signature, read:

Mon Capitaine, I presume
you may know already that M.
Bravot is in your country under
disguise in the home of
resembling himself in Van Hasek's
favor.

Benning passed the note to Gen-
eral Flagwill and said, with a
thoughtful smile: "That note from
little French girl starts me
sh. Rather a coincidence to re-

ceive this just when Bravot has
been on my mind today. I've had
a hunch the fellow might be
around somewhere."

"Well, that needn't bother you
now, Benning," Flagwill said, look-
ing up with a friendly smile.
"When you report to General Hol-
ling at the fourth army in the morn-
ing, you're assigned as his G-2
chief. Holling's G-2 cracked up in
a plane this afternoon."

Flagwill stood up and took from
the pocket of his coat a pair of
silver oak leaves. He handed them
to Benning and said: "Here's your
insignia of rank, Colonel, with my
affectionate best wishes."

Shortly before nine o'clock,
Benning wound his way in Flag-
will's sedan through the endless
troop caissons to the landing-field.
In his dispatch case were the se-