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Our First Line of Defense

TODAY is Navy Day. In every city, town, village and hamlet throughout the entire United States today particular homage is being paid the United States Navy. In every school the day is being observed. The attention given Navy Day this year is far greater than the observance accorded in former years. Why? You know the answer. With the magic words "National Defense" common in the conversation of all of us, we know almost without needing to speak of it that it is the Navy that we depend upon for the safety of our very homes. If we are to be spared the horror of land military engagements involving our army on this or any other soil, we know it will be because of the success of the navy either as a "neutral" patrolling force or in actual protective action.

But to succeed, our navy must be the largest and best navy in the world. More than that, it should be at least equal to any possible combination of the navies of the axis powers. It also must be a two-ocean navy.

Ships can be built, equipment can be supplied. The Congress has made money available so that ships are being built and equipment is being manufactured on a huge scale.

The new ships, however, are just so much iron and steel of small defense, or any other, value unless they are manned by adequately trained crews. The navy needs men, new recruits, to train for readiness to take over the new ships as they are completed.

The navy is manned by volunteers. The selective service act does not provide sailors for the navy. Unless more than 100,000 young men join the navy during the next few months the vast fleet of ships sliding down the ways for our protection will be useless.

There need be no serious concern about getting enough naval enlistments. The Navy has so much to offer in the way of education, opportunity to see distant lands, and chances for rapid promotion that thousands are entering the service every week. The need is urgent, however, the additional man-power is needed immediately. There is not time enough to recruit the needed numbers in the ordinary way. It must be done faster. That is why more than ordinary emphasis is placed on Navy Day this year.

October 27th was selected as annual Navy Day because it is the anniversary of the birth of President Theodore Roosevelt, so much of whose life was devoted to establishing a sound naval policy for this country. The famous "Teddy" achieved a national reputation by writing a naval history of the War of 1812. Later as assistant Secretary of the Navy and finally as president, he bent his tremendous energies to impress upon the American people the necessity for an adequate Navy, and endeavored with his leadership to realize this ideal.

In addition to paying a deserved tribute to the sea heroes of the nation, and recalling the splendid part of the Navy and the part it has played in making and keeping us a nation, the Navy Day observance has proved a valuable means of fostering a better understanding of the Navy and its work. Such information, in a country where government is by public opinion, is essential to the formation of cor-

rect judgments affecting Naval policy, and in this work of information the Navy Day observance has played a considerable part.

Therefore, on Navy Day, 1941, the attention of the public is invited to our personnel procurement problem, a volunteer service, and we have adopted as our slogan for this year "Your Navy Needs You!"

The Navy has played no small part in the progress of the United States to its present state of influence and it is good for the people to stop a moment and reflect on what the Navy has done toward the nation's prosperity and greatness—and to realize that the Navy carries no threat, but lends authority to America's voice speaking for law and justice.

Editorials on News

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vostok for Russian aid shipments.

At this point get out your globe for the globe tells the story here better than the map.

Measure the shortest distance from New York or Boston to Archangel on the White Sea. Then measure from San Francisco or Seattle to Vladivostok, adding some 5,000 miles by rail from there to the Russian fighting front and remembering that even in peace time it took a passenger train ten days to make the trip.

After that, measure the long route around Africa to the Persian gulf and add the rail haul to the Caucasus front.

YOU will see at once that Archangel, although most exposed to attack by German submarines or airplanes, is by long odds the most feasible route for getting supplies to Russia in time for them to do some good.

Observe that the Jap spokesman promptly interprets American emphasis on Archangel as the most feasible Russian route as a concession to Japan and says the tension is greatly eased as a result.

NOTE particularly the wording of Secretary Knox' reference to Vladivostok—for such things are important in diplomacy.

He doesn't say the Vladivostok water-rail route is too long and too slow. He says the FAR EAST SITUATION makes use of Vladivostok questionable.

That is quite capable of being taken as a concession to Japan, and is probably so intended—for Secretary Knox is a capable newspaper man and has no trouble whatever in finding words to express his meaning exactly when he so wishes.

THERE have been big international poker games in recent years. This Far East poker game, however, is by far the biggest one WE have been directly engaged in.

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R. H. S. Warriors Working Out For League's Finale

Cottage Grove to be Foe in Friday's Battle; Grants Pass, Ashland to be Played Later

Tri-County League Standings.
Team—W. L. T. Pct.
University High—2 0 1 1.000
Springfield—3 1 0 .750
Roseburg—3 1 0 .750
Cottage Grove—2 1 0 .667
Reedsport—2 3 0 .400
Lebanon—1 2 0 .333
Sweet Home—0 5 0 .000

The Roseburg high school Indians, following their upset 13-6 victory over Springfield last Friday night, started work today in preparation for their last league game of the season, a contest Friday afternoon at Cottage Grove. The game Friday will wind up competition for the Indians in the Tri-County league, although two games remain to be played with teams outside the league. The annual Armistice day game with Grants Pass will be played on Friday field on the afternoon of November 11; and the Indians will go to Ashland November 20 for the last game of the season.

Roseburg's victory over Springfield dropped the Millers out of first place, and University High moved into top spot and added another victory Saturday by beating Reedsport 13 to 7 in a game at Reedsport.

Lebanon tasted victory for the first time this season by beating Sweet Home 33 to 6 in a game played at Lebanon.

The outstanding game of this week will be the University high-Springfield game to be played Friday.

The Indians came through the Springfield game in fine shape. No Major Casualties.

Despite the fact it was the hardest-played game to be seen here this year, the Indians suffered no major injuries, although their hard charging considerably softened the Millers, who were a badly bruised and battered bunch as they left the field. Seaman, one of the star players of the Springfield team, suffered a broken finger, but will probably be able to take part in the game with University high this week, according to reports.

The Indians, playing their best game this season, are expected to be a vastly improved outfit this week, but will need all their new-found power against the rugged Cottage Grove team, particularly if the proverbially muddy Cottage Grove field is in its usual state.

THE OREGON MILK CONTROL BOARD will hold a public hearing in the Courthouse, Roseburg, Oregon, at 10:00 a. m. on October 29, 1941, to receive evidence and testimony pertaining to unfair trade practices, wholesale and retail prices to distributors and consumers, prices to producers and any other matter relative to the fluid milk industry in Douglas County.

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HORIZONTAL

1. U. S. Secretary of Agriculture, Claude R.

6. Precious stone.

12. Over (poet).

13. Chant.

14. Land measure.

15. Negative.

17. Egyptian deity.

19. Lore (too).

21. Printer's measure (pl.).

23. Theater sign (init.).

24. Like.

25. Location.

27. Electrical term.

28. Pronoun.

29. Require.

30. Inside.

32. Work.

33. Chinese measure.

34. Bath.

35. Go speedily.

36. Called before the bar.

42. Plural pronoun.

43. One of a number.

44. Satellites.

45. Therefore.

46. Finis.

48. Never used before.

49. Sun.

50. Pint (abbr.).

52. Humor.

54. Bundle.

55. Organ of hearing.

57. Distributed.

59. Preparation made of fruits or vegetables.

60. Tracked down.