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Greater Need Equals Less

IT was with a right hearty laugh that we read the news of the immediate commencement of construction on the army cantonment at Medford. The laugh was for the reason that the railroad company had just announced the removal of a needed passenger train service from Southern Oregon.

Within the next two or three years the population of southern Oregon will undoubtedly increase by at least 60,000 persons. The army cantonment will attract many civilians. The use of public passenger facilities will obviously increase greatly with the stopping of tire and auto sales. As tires wear thinner, more and more traffic accrues to the railroads.

All of this, however, means nothing to the S. P. management. Those fellows are following the blue-print of a policy which doubtless was drawn ten years or more ago.

The mere fact that a war came along bringing with it drastic changes in business and economies, and even more drastic changes in public transportation, is completely ignored.

Today the passenger train from southern Oregon to California runs no more. This week also begins active work on cantonment plans and construction in Medford. The timing, accidental of course, could not be more unfortunate for the army and its problem of getting workers on the job down there.

Just to keep the readers of this column up to date on what the Medford folks think about this, here is an editorial reprinted from the Medford Mail-Tribune—the title, "Southern Oregon Be Damned."

"Let it be stated in advance the Mail Tribune has never joined in the very popular indoor sport, of cursing out the Southern Pacific. 'And there is no animus or ancient grudge' in the few remarks we are about to make.

"But this present episode, involving the abandonment of the one train we have had between southern Oregon and San Francisco, and particularly the persistence in that action, in spite of the fact that Medford will soon have a cantonment and be one of the important military training centers in the west; DOES convince this department, that the place for the S. P. supreme command, is not in San Francisco, but the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D. C."

"Yes that is really where such an ante-diluvian outfit belongs, along with the model of Fulton's first steamboat, and the ossified egg of the Mongolian dinosaur!"

"Imagine it if you will!"

"Here is supposed to be a modern railroad, in fact the most extensive in the world, which scantly maintains, not only that one of its most profitable freight and express districts, can have no TRAIN service to and from California NOW, but assuming its population IS increased by 25 or 30 thousand people, it CAN HAVE NONE THEN!"

"WHY?"

"General DeWitt, army commander in the S. P. district knows nothing about this, and frankly states he never ordered it."

"But the military experts and high powered combat strategists of the S. P. High Command did, and in the face of this community's unanimous and violent protest they are going to persist in it, no matter what happens to this district or the army cantonment."

"Shades of Jay Gould and Com-

modore Vanderbilt! This 'public be damned policy,' isn't, or shouldn't be—exhibit No. 1 before any contemporary transportation tribunal; it is as antiquated as old King Tut, as out of date as the blunderbuss and should be exhibited as a museum piece.

"Certainly the S. P. advertising department was right in the first place: 'In all the world no road like this!' Thank the Lord there isn't."

"There may be a railroad or two, in some isolated non-competitive section, without the business foresight to cultivate good will and give good service, but none other in the land, dedicated to the definite policy of taking every opportunity to DESTROY it. Which is true of the S. P. in this community at least."

"There is no point in being amiable and trying to laugh it off, under the general heading of 'Don't shoot the Professor, times are hard, he is doing the best he can.'"

"The S. P. professor ISN'T."

"We do know it's a policy that would ruin any other public service corporation in the land, and if there were any other competing service available in Southern Oregon it would ruin the S. P. here."

"But there being none, apparently all we can do is protest and 'TAKE IT'—meanwhile praying that somehow, someday, someday, either the S. P. will come under the control of a group that realizes the Civil War is over, that cultivating good service and good will is a matter of plain self-interest and sound business management, OR—

"That competing service so sorely needed, will SOMEHOW be provided!"

Editorials on News

(Continued from page 1.)

chang and that the Japs are still retreating from Changsha. Jap air strength in China has been so weakened that the small Chinese air force has been able to take the offensive on several occasions.

Chungking also reports that Chinese troops in British Burma are moving up to "designated positions" and that more Chinese troops are ready to enter Burma.

Burma is a threat on the flank and rear of the Jap drive toward Singapore.

GOOD news comes from Russia and Africa.

The Russians claim to have virtually broken the sieges of Leningrad and Sevastopol. Meanwhile Premier Sikorski of the Polish government-in-exile in London asserts that in the next three months the Germans will be hurled back to a line based on Smolensk, 210 miles west of Moscow, and adds: "The carelessness of Hitler has been so great I would not be surprised if he had failed to prepare ANY new defense lines in his rear."

THAT is one man's opinion, of course. But carelessness on the part of a commander can be FATAL.

At Smolensk, on his way to Moscow in 1812, Napoleon was strongly advised by his generals to pause and bring up supplies and organize his campaign systematically. But Napoleon, like Hitler, was IN A HURRY. He wanted to SMASH RUSSIA, and he COULDN'T WAIT.

So he pressed on recklessly. His failure to organize his supply lines in the rear was responsible for the starvation and demoralization of his Grande Armee—demoralization so complete that of the nearly half a million who entered Russia in June, only 8800 answered the roll-call after the disastrous crossing of the Berezina in early November.

HITLER has recently had a falling out with his generals and fired most of them, assuming complete command himself. Rumors are filtering out that Hitler's generals advised caution, as did Napoleon's.

But Hitler, like Napoleon, was in too much of a hurry for caution.

He may now be paying the price for his haste.

Mrs. Leona Merk Dies At Yoncalla, Aged 73

Mrs. Leona Merk, 73, well known resident of Yoncalla, died Sunday at the home of her son, Fred E. Merk, after a short illness. She was born in Riverton, Ill., Dec. 20, 1868, and had been a resident of this county for the last 22 years. She had long been active in civic and club activities during her lifetime.

She is survived by three sons, Robert R. Merk, Seattle; Byron W. Merk, address unknown, and Fred E. Merk, Yoncalla. Also a sister, Mrs. Mabel Meissner, Riverton, Ill., and a brother, Robert B. Rodgers, Encina, Calif.

The body has been removed to the Stourens chapel, Oakland, and funeral services will be announced later.

OUT OUR WAY



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

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the standard Red Cross course in first aid. Instruction was in charge of Dr. Robert Kinoshita, camp surgeon, assisted by Carl Messing, foreman, and Allen Baird, forest service clerk.

come disclosed is subject to both the normal tax and the surtax. The liability with respect to the tax on a joint return is joint and several. A joint return may not be made if either husband or wife is a nonresident alien.

If a joint return is not made by an agent of the taxpayers, it must be signed by both husband and wife and sworn to before a proper officer by the spouse preparing the return.

Where separate returns are filed by husband and wife on Form 1040, the joint personal exemption of \$1,600 may be taken by either or divided between them in any proportion as agreed upon, but if either or both spouses make a return on Form 1040A, each spouse is treated as a single person and entitled to a personal exemption of \$750 only.

Husband and wife may elect each year to file a joint return or separate returns. Where, however, joint or separate returns have been filed for a particular year, neither husband nor wife may, after the due date of return, file an amended return or returns on the other basis for that year.

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Huskies Defeat Idaho as Oregon Trounces Cougars

(By the Associated Press)

Washington's fire-wagon basketball team stood at the top of the northern division of the Pacific coast conference today at the beginning of the second week of the regular season. Washington attained this eminence by virtue of two straight victories over Idaho Friday and Saturday, while Washington State and Oregon were splitting a pair at Eugene.

The season turns from warm to hot this week as Washington State takes on Oregon State in two games at Corvallis Monday and Tuesday and then goes home to fight out its back-log scrap with Idaho in a single game Saturday. Washington and Oregon tangle in a two game series at Seattle Friday and Saturday.

Idaho, admittedly the weakest team in the northern circuit, gave the Huskies a bad scare Friday and lost the game by a 36-to-28 score only after its top scorer, Ray Turner, left the contest on personal fouls. The same thing happened in slightly slower tempo Saturday. Although Idaho never was in the lead after the first five minutes, the visitors were making a battle of it until Ted Thompson, who had five field goals to his credit, was waved to the showers on personals. With Thompson out of the game, Idaho sagged to lose by a 40-to-33 decision.

Oregon Turns Tables

At Eugene, Oregon staged a brilliant comeback in the last fifteen minutes of play to win Saturday night, 48 to 38. Washington State had taken the Friday decision, 61-45.

Porky Andrews, Oregon guard, led the late rush with 14 points Saturday after his team had trailed, 26-18, at half-time. Oregon gradually worked up toward a lead at 33-32 with 11 minutes to play, fought off a WSC rally that resulted in a tie at 38-38 with six minutes left, and finally went out in front for the longest lead of the night in the final minute of play.

Washington State slumped in the final minutes as Owen Hunt, guard, went out on personals. Captain Kirk Gebert led the WSC scoring with 11 points.

Oregon High Schools

North Bend 32, Coquille 19. Myrtle Point 32, Marshfield 26. Oregon Frosh 22, Astoria 20. Medford 33, Southern Oregon Frosh 21. Klamath Falls 33, Ashland 28.

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(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1942

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
4:15—Here's Morgan.
4:30—Freddie Martin's Orch.
4:45—Shafter Parker.
5:00—Variations in Rhythm.
5:15—Orphan Annie, Quaker Oats.

5:30—Capt. Midnight, Ovaltine.
5:45—Jack Armstrong, Wheaties.
6:00—Dance Review.
6:30—Dinner Concert.
6:50—News, Cal. Pac. Utilities.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—Raymond Gram Swing, White Owl.

7:15—Spotlight Bands, Coca Cola.
7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Boy's Town.
8:30—Double or Nothing, Feenamint.

9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Dance Orch.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
9:45—Dance Varieties.
10:00—Number Please.
10:15—Sign Off.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13

6:30—Top o' the Morning.
7:00—News, L. A. Soap.
7:15—A-H Club and County Agent Program.

7:30—Stuff and Nonsense.
7:40—Motorist's Edition of State and Local News.
7:45—Rhapsody in Wax.
8:00—Breakfast Club.
8:30—This and That.
8:45—As the Twig Is Bent, Post's Bran Flakes.

9:00—John B. Hughes, Asper-tane.
9:15—Man About Town.
9:30—U. S. Marine Band.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Helen Holden.
10:30—Front Page Farrell, Anaheim.

10:45—Sweet and Hot.
11:00—Cedric Foster.
11:15—Colonel Network Orchestra.
11:30—Roseburg Hi Program.
12:00—Interlude.
12:05—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer Co.
12:15—Rhythm at Random.
12:45—State and Local News, Hansen Motors.
12:50—News-Review of the Air.
1:00—Henninger's Man on the Street.

1:15—Mutual Goes Calling.
1:30—Johnson Family.
1:45—Boake Carter.
2:00—President's Press Conference.

2:05—David Cheskin and his Orchestra.
2:15—I'll Find My Way.
2:30—Let Your Command.
2:45—Let's Fly Bridge.
3:00—Dave White and His Orchestra.

3:30—News, Douglas National Bank.
3:45—Glen Miller's Orchestra.
4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
4:15—Here's Morgan.
4:25—Around the Ring.
4:30—Lest We Forget.
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7:00—News and Views, Studebaker.
7:15—Spotlight Bands, Coca Cola.

7:30—John Steele from London.
7:45—Recital Hall.
8:00—What's My Name, Standard Bands.
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DAILY DEVOTIONS

DR. CHAS. A. EDWARDS

"Make the most of the best, and the least of the worst" was the motto of Robert Louis Stevenson. Paul was acquainted with grief and physical suffering. Five times he received of the Jews forty stripes save one. Thrice was he beaten with rods. He was often in prison. He was stoned once and left for dead. He had more than his share of fifty weeks. He ran the whole gamut of perils. In weariness, watchings, pain; in hunger, thirst and fastings, in cold and nakedness, this maker of history worked, yet he tells people not to feel sorry for themselves. Why was he able to do that? Because he had the love of God in his heart, and he counted all things lost for Christ. He saw that all of life is tied up in the same bundle and that sorrow comes to all, but with different effect. It makes some bitter, some better. If you do not have God in your heart, you sorrow in one way. If you have God, you grieve in another way. Hence he wrote to his far off friends, distressed, disheartened, in their task. You must not grieve like those without hope. His pen put in negatively. But Paul in his life put it positively. You must grieve like those who have God. Why? Well, nothing can separate us from the love of God. Neither death nor life, nor principalities nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other thing can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Paul made the most of the best and the least out of the worst. Amen.

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