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The Other Side of the Scale

THE total debt of a people
is the sum of the debt
of the federal government, the
state and local governments, and
corporate and personal debt.

Now when the federal debt un-
avoidably soars skyward on the
wings of a vast war, it is time to
reduce the other debt elements
whenever possible. Economists
are urging the payment of personal
debts and of corporate debts
with money that would otherwise
be spent for decreasing stocks of
consumer goods. State and local
governments are being urged to
hold down their expenses, and cut
taxes.

Every dollar that can be cut
from personal, corporate, local
and state debt during this war is
an offset to the unavoidably huge
federal debt that is being piled up.
No opportunity should be lost to
hold the total debt burden in this
way as small as possible, by re-
ducing the elements of the total
debt.

Two Birds, One Stone

MOST states are now co-operat-
ing in a campaign which
should have two-fold and equally
desirable results. It is to cut
down the speed of autos on the
highways.

Connecticut has cut the speed
limit from 50 miles an hour to 40,
and many others are ordering
state and city drivers to "hold 'er
down" to 35, 40, and 50 miles.
People who burn up their tires at
60 and 70 miles an hour are use-
lessly destroying the national
stock of rubber, and the faster a
man burns up his tires, the louder
he is apt to squawk for new ones.

Slower driving should have a
second benefit—fewer accidents.
People who never would take care
of their own needs for their own
sake are now asked to do it for
their country's sake. Time lost
through accidents, or lost forever
through death, is lost to the de-
fense of the country.

The Trick Is Known

THE conjurer, it is said, gets no
credit once he has shown how
he does the trick.

So with propaganda. Once it is
shown what's behind it and how
it works, it is ineffective.

The Japanese are working the
already threadbare trick of an-
nouncing over their short-wave
radio the names, a few at a time,
of American prisoners. The idea,
of course, is to attract American
listeners, and then propagandize
them.

The trick has been pretty
thoroughly exposed by now. Its
effectiveness depends on the gulli-
bility and receptiveness of the
listeners. American listeners are
quite capable of hearing the names
and saying "Thanks for the infor-
mation; phooie for the propaganda."

Editorials on News

(Continued from page 1)

Pacific aims at closing all outside
routes to the East Indies and
Singapore (largely by means of
air bases), thus shutting out
American and British reinforce-
ments and leaving to the Japs the
short inside route through the
South China sea.

With outside entrances closed
to reinforcements and this short
inside route available to them,
the Japs (one guesses) hope to
pound the East Indies and Singa-
pore into submission.

After that, if all goes well, they
will go after India via Burma.

THEY'RE pounding at the gates
of Burma already.

A Rangoon dispatch says: "Brit-
ish troops, faced with superior

Jap forces, are being withdrawn
from the mountain areas east of
Moulmein."

Moulmein is across the narrow
gulf of Martaban from Rangoon,
the southern terminus of the Bur-
ma road, China's life line for sup-
plies. The mountain areas from
which the British are withdrawing
are on the border between
Thailand and Burma.

IN Africa, axis forces striking
from El Aghella capture
Agadebia, 90 miles along the back
track. Cairo says it is apparent
General Rommel has begun a full
fledged counter-offensive. London
military "quarters" suggest that
heavy aerial reinforcements must
have reached the Germans and
Italians.

(Or the British may have been
weakened by withdrawal of air
forces to be sent to Singapore. Or
maybe BOTH.)

ONLY from Russia is there fav-
orable news today.

The Germans have been driven
23 miles westward from Mzhaisk
and farther to the north the Rus-
sians are smacking the Germans
in what is described as the most
violent fighting of the year. Their
purpose is to outflank the Ger-
man positions around Leningrad
and compel a German withdrawal.

Southward from Moscow the
Germans are being hammered
hard.

IN Washington an urgent request
by army officials for 123 bil-
lion dollars "in preparation for
our offensive knockout blow" is
sent to the house (where all ap-
propriations must originate) and
its speedy approval is taken for
granted.

General Arnold, deputy chief of
staff for air, says the program
"is necessary to build up an air
force both for the United States
and for its allies."

He makes clear that it is the
preliminary step toward FDR's
goal of 60,000 planes this year and
125,000 next and adds that STILL
MORE huge sums of money will
have to be allocated.

FORGET dollars!

They're out-of-date—useful
only as counters, like chips in a
poker game.

Dollars won't matter if the
ENEMY LICKS US.

When we've licked the enemy
we can TACKLE AND SOLVE
the problems arising out of the
debt (expressed in dollars) we're
piling up.

Today's job is to lick the ene-
my.

Children Destroy Nest of Rattlesnakes Near Elkton

ELKTON, Jan. 26.—Seven chil-
dren, ranging from five to 15
years of age, Sunday cleaned out
a rattlesnake nest discovered by
accident on the Charles Binder
place. Royal and Loyal Bossen,
visiting at the home of their
grandfather, Mr. Binder, decided
to roll a large rock down the hill.
As they prepared to start the
huge boulder on its way, they
were joined by Dorothy, Benton,
Charles and Eleanor Binder, and
Mary Alice Bundt.

While the smaller youngsters
looked on, the older boys pried
the rock loose, and as it rolled
down the hillside they discovered
14 small rattlesnakes in one de-
pression and a large snake in an-
other. The reptiles were killed by
the boys who carried them to
their grandfather to be counted
in the grange pest hunt contest.

The local corps of the Salva-
tion Army is now engaged in col-
lection of waste paper. It was an-
nounced today by corps officers.
Persons having paper or card-
board for disposal are requested
to leave it at the storage room at
135 Sheridan street. In the event
there is no one at the store room,
persons may contact Captain
Olive Coleman at the army head-
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Waste Paper Gathered By Salvation Army

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Anyone not having facilities for
delivery of paper may call or
write local headquarters and ar-
rangements will be made to call.
It is requested, however, that do-
nations be delivered, if possible.

K. of P. Party to Aid Paralysis Fight Fund

A public card party, to be stag-
ed as a benefit for the infantile
paralysis fund campaign in Doug-
las county, will be sponsored Fri-
day, January 30, by Alpha lodge,
Knights of Pythias. It was an-
nounced today by Thomas Hart-
fiel, chancellor. The party will
start at the lodge hall at 8 p. m.
and prizes will be awarded for
high tables at bridge, five hun-
dred and pinocchio. Persons desir-
ing to reserve tables are request-
ed to contact A. J. Hochradel,
George Jones or C. W. Parker,
or telephone No. 405.

OUT OUR WAY



Mattress Making Resumed in State

Oregon leads all states of the
Pacific coast and northwest in the
number of mattresses completed
under the cotton mattress pro-
gram carried on in many parts of
the state this past year, according
to word received by Lois A. Lutz,
extension specialist in home man-
agement at Oregon State college.

She has also been informed
that Oregon is among the states
that will receive materials for
carrying the program to other
counties as originally planned.
The work was curtailed the latter
part of the year because of
inability to obtain materials.

A total of 5840 Oregon families
have to date made 8724 mattress-
es and 1916 cotton comforters
under the statewide program.
This is estimated to represent a
saving of \$213,356 as compared
with purchasing factory-made
mattresses and comforters of
similar grade.

The program in Oregon is un-
der a three-way sponsorship, with
the AAA handling orders, certifi-
ing applicants, and directing
transportation of materials; the
Surplus Marketing administra-
tion supplying the baled cotton,
tickling, and percale, and the Ore-
gon State college extension ser-
vice furnishing the leadership in
teaching the skills involved.

Scores of volunteer leaders
throughout the state were trained
by the extension workers and
supervised by the county staff
members. Extension workers es-
timate that the Oregon program
is only about half completed, but
will be resumed now that materi-
als are assured as soon as dry
weather makes the work possible.

Charles A. Shea, Noted Contractor, Dies at 58

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—
(AP)—Ill for several months,
Charles A. Shea, 58, president of
the Oregon Shipbuilding corpora-
tion and nationally known con-
tractor who served as director of
construction on the Boulder dam
job, died last night.

A native of Portland, Ore.,
Shea achieved prominence as a
Pacific northwest contractor and
shipbuilder before coming to San
Francisco in 1925.

In recent years he built tunnels
for the New York, Baltimore and
Los Angeles city water systems
and held contracts for numerous
other projects, among them con-
tracts for certain work on the
San Francisco-Oakland and Gold-
en Gate bridges.

His widow and two daughters
and two sons survive.

Oregon's Public Aid Bill Shows Slight Decrease

SALEM, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Ore-
gon's public assistance bill last
year was \$10,131,727.72, closely
approximating its 1940 expendi-
ture of \$10,258,405.91, state treas-
urer Scott reported today.

Old age assistance accounted
for \$5,580,172.02 of the welfare
bill, up \$379,975.73 from 1940.
Other 1941 expenditures includ-
ed \$148,486.61 for aid to the blind,
\$1,083,296.29 for aid to dependent
children, \$21,555.82 for child wel-
fare, \$80,824.87 for crippled chil-
dren, \$657,687.74 for administrative
payroll and \$189,184.56 for ad-
ministrative expense.

Under another account, unem-
ployment compensation, the state
paid \$2,450,802.78 in benefits in
1941 in contrast with \$3,916,922.22
in 1940 and \$3,876,542.56 in 1939,
Scott's report noted.

F. S. Club to Meet—The F. S.
club will meet Tuesday afternoon
at the home of Mrs. C. H. Wick-
ham on Mill street.

Youth, 16, Faces Life In Prison for Murder

OAKLAND, Calif., Jan. 26.—
(AP)—Left to shift for himself in
the world when only five years
old, Everett Washburn today at
16 had to face the prospect of
serving the rest of his life in
San Quentin prison.

An Oakland jury of seven wo-
men and five men found the boy
guilty of the first degree murder
of William Hanna, Hayward gro-
cer who was killed while resist-
ing a holdup last July. A hope-
less deadlock was reported in the
case of young Washburn's com-
panion, Warren Brill, 15, also
charged with Hanna's death.

Washburn's father, according
to juvenile court records, de-
serted his family when the boy
was four. A year later, his moth-
er was slain by another man.
The boy was reared as a ward of
the juvenile court.

Potato Quotation Leaps \$1.55 per Bushel, and Bag

REDMOND, Jan. 26.—(AP)—
Local produce dealers offered
\$2.25 and bags for No. 1 De-
schutes Netted Gem potatoes last
week, a species of potato which
commanded 70 cents per hundred
pounds last year.

Production of every million au-
tomobiles involves use of 350,000
pounds of mohair, products of 87,
500 goats, for making upholstery.

U. S. NATIONAL FIGURE

HORIZONTAL
17 Pictured
U. S. national
figure.

14 Mountain
nymphs.
15 Lowering.
16 Short cape
worn by Pope.
18 Amid.
20 Tile kiln.
21 Learning.
22 Elevates.
24 Ripped.
25 Symbol for
eridium.
26 Treasurer
(abbr.).
28 Article.
30 Size of shot.
31 Pronoun.
32 Boat paddles.
34 Above.
35 Railroad
(abbr.).
36 Entire.
40 Hodgepodge.
43 Acetyl (abbr.).
45 Type measure.
46 Fast (Fr.).
47 Symbol for
didymium.
48 Male parent.

50 Tendency.
54 Solar disk
(Egypt.).
56 Sultan's
decree.
58 Circle part.
59 Ammonia
substance.
60 He figured in
investigation
of the movies.
62 Appliance
for opening.
63 Began.
64 Fitness.
VERTICAL
1 Made of wool.
2 Mistake.



Geo. L. Fitch, Of Oakland, Passes On

George Luther Fitch, 72, died
at the state hospital Thursday
after a short illness. He was born
in Postville, Iowa, and made his
residence in Oregon for several
years. For past two years he had
been a resident of Oakland. He
is survived by his wife, Mrs.
Grace Fitch, six daughters and
seven sons: Mrs. Emily Larson,
Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Ella Mitch-
enberger, Potlatch, Ida.; Mrs.
Faith Bellomy, Spokane, Wash.;
Mrs. Katherine Campbell, Pual-
lup, Wash.; Mrs. Grace Pelzell,
Oakland; Edwin Fitch, Sanders,
Ida.; Henry Fitch, Potlatch, Ida.;
George Fitch, Cle Elum, Wash.;
Thomas Fitch, Harvard, Ida.;
John, William and Wesley Fitch,
Oakland. He also leaves two sis-
ters, Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Wind-
ham, No. Dak., and Mrs. Ella
Christianson, Seattle, Wash., and
a brother Ed. Fitch, Pasadena,
Calif. Services were held in the
Community church, Oakland,
Sunday at 1:30 p. m. Rev. James
R. Deanham, officiating. Interment
followed in the I. O. O. F.
cemetery. Arrangements were in
care of the Stearns Mortuary,
Oakland.

League to Meet—The Young
People's league of St. Paul's Lu-
theran church will meet Tuesday
night at 7:30 at the home of
Greta and Olaf Skoog to take up
the topic of "Yourself and Your
Bible." Election of officers will
be held.

Oregon University Hoopsters Tounce O. S. C., 47 to 45

Contest Decided in Final 25
Seconds; Washington State
Again Defeats Idahoans

(By the Associated Press)
Something has to give this
week in the northern division of
Pacific Coast conference basket-
ball race.

And what gives may well de-
termine the eventual division
championship.

At the moment, the University
of Washington continues to hold
the lead it acquired with the first
game of the season; but Oregon
and Washington State are both
pressing so closely behind the
Huskies that it is difficult to see
light between them.

The payoff will be a double
one—a two game series at
Seattle Friday and Saturday
night between Oregon and Wash-
ington, and a two game series at
Pullman between Oregon State
and Washington State the same
evenings. Anything can happen
in either series, and anything that
does may well affect the division
leadership.

Oregon stepped into a technical
second place Saturday night by
defeating Oregon State, 47 to 45,
with a goal in the last 25 seconds
of play to break the 12th tie of
the game.

This gave Oregon a season's
record of three victories and two
losses, as against Washington
State's four victories and three
losses—or a decimal advantage of
.600 compared to .571. Washing-
ton State also achieved this re-
cord Saturday night by taking the
third of its four-game series with
Idaho—41 to 30. Idaho won the
first game but dropped the next
two.

Washington has been idle since
its Monday and Tuesday split
against Oregon.

In the Eugene game Saturday,
Don Kirsch, Oregon substitute
guard, walked away with the hon-
ors by sinking the critical basket
that won the game; but Don An-
drews, division high scorer last
season, sank 17 points to lead the
scoring. Oregon State's Lew Beck
led his team with 13 points.

Marvin Gilberg set the Wash-
ington State scoring pace at Pull-
man with 11 points. Ray Turner,
the Idaho center who customarily
does most of his team's scor-
ing, was held to 10 points by
close Washington State guarding.
He missed seven free throws.

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(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

MONDAY, JAN. 26

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
4:15—Conference of Ministers.
4:25—Musical Interlude.
4:30—Orrin Tucker's Orch.
4:45—Music Depreciation.
5:00—Pleasantdale Folks.
5:15—Orphan Annie, Quaker
Oats.
5:30—Capt. Midnight, Ovaltine.
5:45—Jack Armstrong, Wheatears.
6:00—Dance Review.
6:30—Dinner Concert.
6:50—News, Cal. Pac. Utilities.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—Raymond Gram Swing.
7:15—Spotlight Bands, Coca
Cola.
7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Boy's Town.
8:30—Double or Nothing, Fena-
mint.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Any Bonds Today.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
9:45—Dance Orch.
10:00—Sign Off.

TUESDAY, JAN. 27

6:30—Top 'o the Morning.
7:00—News, L. A. Soap Co.
7:15—H. 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.
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, Ana-
cin.
10:45—Sweet and Hot.
11:00—Cedric Foster.
11:15—Colonial Network Orch.
11:30—School of the Air.
12:00—Interlude.
12:05—Sports Review, Dunham
Transfer Co.
12:15—Rhythm at Random.
12:45—State News, Hansen Mo-
tor Co.
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 Confer-
ence.
2:05—David Cheskin's Orch.
2:15—I'll Find My Way.

DAILY DEVOTIONS

DR. CHAS. A. EDWARDS

We are in the midst of great
tribulation. Tears and blood
are gushing forth to form a
rolling stream along the high-
ways of the world. Uncertain-
ty, suspicion, hatred are plant-
ed deep in human hearts.
Pride and racial prejudice
drag men into the flames of
martyrdom, while innocent
victims flee or fall before the
monster of war in countless
thousands. Truly "in the world
ye shall have tribulation." But
Jesus did not end His message
here. His message was one of
confidence and cheer. "Be of
good cheer. I have overcome
the world." After long and
dreary days of anguish, He
shall be triumphant. The
world cannot conquer Christ,
that is our surety. The world
is powerless to inflict more
than temporary pain upon
those who go hand in hand
with God. Christ does not
promise immunity from suf-
fering and distress, but He
does assure us that we shall at
last be victorious. And never
did He utter a promise that He
did not keep. Amado Nervo
said: "If thou lovest God,
thou wilt not be afraid of any-
one or anything," for, when
we come into right relation-
ship with God all fear seems
to vanish." When through the
deep waters, I call thee to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not
overflow, for I will be with
thee thy trials to bless, and
sanctify to thee thy deepest
distress." When through fiery
trials thy pathway may lie,
my grace all sufficient shall
be thy supply. The flame shall
not hurt thee. I only design.
Thy dress to consume and thy
gold to refine." Amen.

2:30—At Your Command.
2:45—Let's Play Bridge.
3:00—Johnny Richards' Orch.
3:30—News, Douglas National
Bank.
3:45—Horace Heidt's Orch.
4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
4:15—Conference of Ministers.
4:25—Around the Ring.
4:30—Lest We Forget.
4:45—Music Depreciation.
5:00—Musical Interlude.
5:15—Orphan Annie, Quaker
Oats.
5:30—Capt. Midnight, Ovaltine.
5:45—Jack Armstrong, Wheatears.
6:00—Dance Review.
6:15—Phil Stearns News, Ava-
lon.
6:30—Dinner Music.
6:50—News, Cal. Pac. Utilities.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—News and Views, Stude-
baker.
7:15—Spotlight Bands, Coca
Cola.
7:30—John Steele from London.
7:45—Recital Hall.
8:00—What's My Name, Stand-
ard Brands.
8:30—BBC News.
8:35—The Shadow.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
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