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That Far Off War

TO most people of the United States the war is still far off. It is something happening to MacArthur's magnificent on Ba-taan, to the doughty Dutch in the Indies, to the fighting Russians and Chinese. Yes, and to the bombed and beleaguered British.

In India last year and the year before, the debates in Calcutta and Bombay did not center on the defense of India. Self-government was the main subject. The amount of aid to be given Britain was another. But the defense of India herself was not seriously considered.

Now the Jap is next door. He is fighting in Burma, more than two thousand miles from his home islands—and little more than two hundred miles from the eastern fringes of India. Tokyo talks to India of "India for Indians," but Indian leaders will know that the Jap will come in and bomb their babies and rob them of their riches if he can do the job. They know it now. But they did not know it last year.

In Australia last year and the year before, the debates in Canberra did not center on the defense of Australia. Conscription and the amount of aid to be given Britain were parliament's main concern. Defense of Australia was little more than a rhetorical question.

Now the Jap is next door. He is fighting in Timor, three thousand miles from his home islands—and three hundred miles from northern Australia. Tokyo has already promised to "Japanize" this island continent. Australians have already been bombed to death on their homeland. Australian leaders know they must beat the Jap off their island or see it become a Jap vassal. They know it now. But they did not know it last year.

The lesson for the United States is plain:

Fight this war to the fullest right now. Whip the potential invader while he is attempting to take the far off lands of others. Failing that, be ready to fight the enemy right here in America. Be ready to meet the physical horrors of war face to face.

If the day comes, make sure we are ready—more ready than India and Australia are today.

"Seriously Preparing . . ."

It is true we never see ourselves as others see us. And thereby hangs some good news.

Americans, with their noses long buried deep into the day-by-day reports of strikes, bottle-neck and inefficiency bogging down the war production machinery, apparently have been like the boy who couldn't see the forest for the trees.

A fresh perspective is supplied by the Nazi spy trial in New York. Whereas most Americans have been under the impression our war effort has been tied up in a Gordian knot, a suspected spy sent this information back to his fatherland:

"My journeys through the country (the United States) have shown me that this beautiful country is really in earnest. All the reports about internal politics, disputes and 'bottlenecks,' etc., do not in actual fact mean much. Everything is working to the best possible means and, in spite of waste and all sorts of stupidities, much is being achieved. The government has the country entirely behind it and is seriously preparing for war."

The letter wasn't written a week ago, nor a month ago but—a year ago. It would be inter-

esting to see what sort of mes-sage a spy would be sending to-day.

Editorials on News
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might have come from commercial sources operated by enemy agents to spread alarm, DISCLOSE THE LOCATION of anti-aircraft gun emplacements and slow down war operations by causing blackouts.

He concludes:
"My only comment is that per-haps it is better to be too alert than not alert enough."

Pearl harbor, for example.

AS to strange planes, it is al-ways possible that an enemy carrier may be hidden somewhere along the extensive and more or less uninhabited coastline of the Gulf of California.

GOOD news Thursday:
American submarines smash-ing at Japan's sea-borne invasion armies torpedo two enemy trans-ports, an auxiliary ship and a freighter. In addition, a Jap war-ship is listed as "presumed" hit. (The attacking U. S. sub was forced to dive before it could observe the effect of its torpedos.)

Washington officially discloses that since December 10 a total of 74 Jap ships has been sunk, seven more probably sunk and 33 damaged.

This leads a navy "spokesman" to say:
"They can't keep these losses up over a year with their build-ing program. Unless Japan can make this a 'quick and fast' war she can't hope to win."

(DON'T read this and get over-confident. Remember that the harder the Japs have to fight now the harder we have to fight now. And the faster we have to PRODUCE.)

Remember also that we've been misled as to a lot of things the Japs can't do. Let's not make the mistake of underestimating their capacity to build ships.

THIS dispatch comes from Washington:

"The treasury looked forward today to a record-breaking \$2,750,000,000 (two and three-quarter BILLIONS) cash collection of income taxes next month."

The dispatch adds:
"The sum, more than DOUBLE the collections of any previous single month in American history, is so large the officials are mapping precautions against any upset to the nation's business arising from the concerted withdrawal of so much money from circulation."

ALL the American public, which pays these staggering taxes, asks of Washington is that the politicians spend the money WISELY to WIN THE WAR.

State Press Comment

HAPPY APPOINTMENT

(Portland Oregonian)
The appointment of Roy D. McCallen of Enterprise to the state game commission, as successor to George E. Aiken of Ontario, who has been named executive secretary to Governor Sprague, will be of general satisfaction to holders of licenses to hunt and to fish. For years Commissioner McCallen has been active in various sportsmen's organizations, and is also, if the phrase may be used, a practical angler and hunter.

Since the retirement of Commissioner Aiken was made necessary by promotion, there is every reason to believe that the appointment of Roy McCallen was the happiest and most effective of all possible choices. The Oregonian shall not undertake to define for the new commissioner the problems with which he now is confronted, together with his official associates. This would be currying coals to Newcastle, for we feel that Commissioner McCallen is admirably informed on his own initiative. A close personal friend of the new commissioner describes him as the sort of fellow who gets things done. Definitely, we predict, Commissioner McCallen will prove to be an asset to Oregon sport and conservation.

Local Boards to Direct Scrap, Waste Salvage

PORTLAND, Feb. 28. (AP)—The salvage of old rubber, paper, rags, scrap iron and similar items will be directed by local salvage boards to be appointed in each community of the state by defense councils, C. I. Sersanos said.

The chairman of the state salvage committee said his group would act in an advisory capacity to expedite collection and deliv-

OUT OUR WAY



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

Medford Defeats Ashland to Win District Crown

(By the Associated Press)

Medford and Oregon City gained entry to the annual class A Oregon high school basketball tournament at Salem, March 10-14, by defeating opponents last night (Friday) in district play.

Medford won the district four championship by trouncing Ashland, early season leader, 36-17.

Oregon City gained the district twelve title by downing Canby, 44-27, for the second time.

In eastern Oregon's district two, Hood River took a one-game advantage over Milton-Freewater with a 31-26 victory in the opener of the titular series.

In district three Lakeview upset Prineville, 29-27, and Klamath Falls moved into the lead with a 39-32 win over Burns. The same teams meet tonight and Klamath can sew up the trip to Salem with another win.

Albany whipped Lebanon, 40-14, in district seven. A playoff with Corvallis will be necessary if the Spartans win, as expected, from Toledo and Sweet Home next week.

Oregon Fresh defeated The Dalles high, 47 to 40.

District No. 5 Scores

Marshfield 40, Myrtle Point 25.
North Bend 48, Coquille 27.

KRNR

Mutual Broadcasting System
1500 Kilocycles

(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

SATURDAY, FEB. 28, 1942
4:00—Dance Orch.
4:15—Lest We Forget.
4:30—Sinfonietta.
5:00—Musical Varieties.
5:15—Chicago Theatre of the Air.
6:00—Interlude.
6:05—News, Cal. Pac. Utilities.
6:10—Interlude.
6:15—Phil Stearns News, Avalon.
6:30—Spotlight Bands, Coca Cola.
7:00—News & Views, Studebaker.
7:15—America Preferred.
7:45—Kay Kyser's Orch.
8:00—California Melodies.
8:30—Joe Venuti's Orch.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Al Perry and His Singing Surf Riders.
9:45—"This Is War."
10:15—Sign Off.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 1942

8:00—Reviewing Stand.
8:30—News.
8:35—Morning Melodies.
8:45—Voice of Prophecy.
9:00—Musical Interlude.
9:15—From the Pastor's Study.
Rev. Perry Smith.
9:30—Frank Cuhel Sam Brew-er John B. Hughes.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Romance of the Hiways.
Greyhound Bus.
10:30—Musical Matinee.
10:45—Canary Chorus.
11:00—Baptist Church Services.
12:00—The Americas Speak.
12:30—Harry James' Orch.
12:45—National Defense Health Clinic.
1:00—Lutheran Hour.
1:30—Young People's Church.
2:00—I Hear America Singing.
2:30—Ned Jordan.
3:00—Confessions.
3:30—Adventures of Bulldog Drummond.
1:00—Fact Finders.
4:15—Rabbi Edgar Magnin.
4:30—The Angelus Hour, Douglas Funeral Home.
5:00—American Forum.
5:15—Musical Comedy Echoes.

By Williams

Only One Game in Four of Tourney Openers is Close

Three Douglas County Quints Defeat Foes; Powers Stages Upset in Downing Lapine

Yesterday's Results.

Gardiner 29, Coos River 26.
Myrtle Creek 39, Port Orford 24.

Reedsport 46, Ophir 17.
Powers 47, Lapine 22.

Today's Games

Gardiner vs. Myrtle Creek,
9:30 a. m.
Reedsport vs. Powers, 10:45 a. m.

Championship finals 8:45 p. m.

By MICKEY CAMPBELL

The district B-5 basketball tournament narrowed down to four teams Friday after first-round games were completed. One of the games was close but the other three were decidedly one-sided affairs. The biggest upset came when Powers literally "ran-over" the highly-touted Lapine team from Deschutes county to the tune of 47-22. Gardiner and Coos River played the only close contest with Gardiner winning 29-26.

In the opening game Gardiner ran up an early lead and was ahead 16-9 at half-time but Coos River's height advantage helped them creep up in the last half and the final quarter was nip-and-tuck all the way. The game pitted Coos River's height and blocking against Gardiner's speed and superior ball-handling. Coos River displayed the nicest blocking of any team in either of the last two tournaments played here but they were unable to make many shots. Gardiner protected their narrow lead by stalling the last two minutes.

Myrtle Creek Easy Victor.

The other afternoon contest was all Myrtle Creek as the Vikings rolled to an easy 39-24 victory over an out-classed Port Orford quint. Myrtle Creek led 16-3 at the first quarter and 23-11 at half-time but after that Port Orford picked up and in the last period each team made 10 points as the Port Orford offense improved. Port Orford showed occasional spurts with McKenzie leading the way, but Myrtle Creek had too much for them as Rust personally accounted for 17 points.

Reedsport also had an easy time in eliminating Ophir by a score of 46-17 as Vian, Reedsport forward, hit a "hot" streak and made 16 points, one less than the entire Ophir team made. Ophir was held scoreless for the first 10 minutes and finally made two quick baskets and then lapsed into another scoreless period to close the half with the Douglas county quint leading 22-4. In the last half it was just a matter of how many points for Reedsport as reserves played a good deal of the time.

Lapine Squad Jitters.

In what was expected to be the feature attraction of the tournament Powers easily defeated Lapine 47-22 and upset expectations of many. Lapine apparently could never get over a bad case of jitters as they missed "set-ups" time and again. Powers took an 8-0 lead in the first four minutes and were never threatened. Powers led 24-10 at half-time and from then on just kept adding more. Lapine could never get started but occasional spurts showed the potential strength of the Deschutes county representative.

While waiting for a delayed Powers team to arrive, Port Orford played one quarter with Oakland and won easily 19-15 after they had rolled up a tremendous lead in the first few minutes. This was entirely separate from the tournament, however, and so had no bearing.

Today's games promise some interesting spectacles as two Douglas county teams, Myrtle Creek and Gardiner, meet this morning. This promises to be a real battle as Gardiner showed great improvement over their play in the recent county tournament which Myrtle Creek won. In the second morning game Reedsport meets Powers in another out-standing contest. These two teams are both fast and good ball handlers but Powers will hold an edge over Reedsport due to past results. Powers displayed the best attack of any team yesterday but Reedsport is always dangerous. Regardless of the winners in the morning games, tonight's championship fray promises to be good since all four remaining teams are top-flight in any league. An interesting side-light is the fact that three of the four remaining teams are from Douglas county so at least one Douglas county team will be in the finals and maybe two. The championship game will be preceded by a preliminary scheduled to be played between Glendale and Oakland, starting at 7:30.

Lineups:

Gardiner (29) F (26) Coos River Subar (9) F (13) Cusic Reavis (2) F (13) Barnes Christian (1) F (9) Hamilton Pitcher (1) G (12) McCullick

Paul (8) G (12) McGuire Substitutions: For Gardiner: Smith, For Coos River, Grants and Hauschild. Myrtle Ch. (39) F (11) McKenzie Gordon (4) F (9) Miller Stimson (7) C (4) Corbin Dyer (6) G (2) Zumwalt Newton (1) G (2) Mayea Substitutions: For Myrtle Creek, Parker, Wilson, Doty, Chaney 4. For Port Orford, Dimick and Masterson.

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DAILY DEVOTIONS

DR. CHAS. A. EDWARDS

There is an ancient and beautiful legend concerning the ancestors of the little bird called The Crossbill, known as "the chorister of the evergreens," which touches the heart, and causes an unwanted lump to rise in the throat. It is said that when our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, hung upon the cross there were other witnesses besides human ones. A little bird about the size of an English sparrow and looking like one of the finches, seeing the agony of distress of Jesus upon the cross, darted bravely forward and tried with all its might to pierce the strong nails that plucked the hands and feet of the Master, Alas, for that valiant little heart. In the sympathetic efforts it had twisted its beak permanently and its plumage was stained in the red blood of the crucified. Ever since this event the bird has been known as the Crossbill, and may be seen among the evergreens with its red plumage and crossed bill from Canada and the northern parts of the United States. Just how these tribes of the air, with their bills so crossed at the tips manage to eat the seeds and berries is one of the mysteries of creation, yet they are not afraid to tackle even the hard-shelled pine cones. The female's colors are quite different from the male, for she is of a greenish yellow shade, with hints of dull yellow on head, throat and breast against a background of dark evergreen and the azure blue of the sky, they make a rich, warm picture, and are kindly spoken of as the Choristers of the Evergreen. Amen.

6:00—Old Fashioned Revival.
7:00—San Quentin Prison Broadcast.
7:30—Keep 'em Rolling.
8:00—Hancock Ensemble.
8:30—Answering You.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Voice of Prophecy.
9:45—Sign Off.

MONDAY, MARCH 2

6:45—Eye Opener.
7:00—News, L. A. Soap Co.
7:15—Rise and Shine, Plough Chem. Co.
7:30—News Bulletins.
7:35—Motorist's Edition of State and Local News.
7:40—J. M. Judd Says, "Good Morning."
7:45—Rhapsody in Wax.
8:00—Breakfast Club.
8:30—Bargain Fest.
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—Shopper's Guide.
9:45—Dick O'Heren, Tenor.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Helen Holden.
10:30—Front Page Farrell, Ana-cin.
10:45—Music Styled for You.
11:00—Adventures of Jane Ar-den, Copco.
11:15—Wheel of Fortune.
12:00—Interlude.
12:05—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer Co.
12:15—Interlude.
12:20—Parkinson's Information Exchange.
12:25—Rhythm at Random.
12:45—State News, Hansen Motor Co.
12:50—News-Review of the Air.
1:00—Sons of the Pioneers.
1:30—Johnson Family, Swans-down.
1:45—Boake Carter.
2:00—Short Shorts.
2:15—I'll Find My Way.

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