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Birthday of the Legion

THIS week marks the observa-
tion of the birthday of the
American Legion—that great or-
ganization of the veterans of the
other world war.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., was
prominent in formulating the
early plans, as was the late Gen-
eral George A. White, who was
Oregon's adjutant general for many
years prior to his death last fall.
These men and a few others talked
about forming such an organization.
They gathered a small meeting of
soldiers in Paris in February. A month
later, March 15, 1919, was set as the
date for a great caucus that would
name delegates to a final organi-
zation meeting in the United States.

Accordingly throughout March
15, 16 and 17 a caucus was held
in the Cirque de Paris with ap-
proximately 1,000 officers and en-
listed men representative of the
A. E. F. in attendance. That
meeting was the actual beginning
of the American Legion. The
spread of the organization was
rapid. The veterans were enthus-
iastic about it. A total of 6,817
American Legion posts were or-
ganized during the year following
the Paris caucus. The following
year 9,978 posts representing a
membership of 845,186 veterans
of the World War (No. 1) were
in existence.

Interest in the American Legion
has never slackened. Member-
ship has hovered around the mil-
lion mark for many years, exceed-
ing it since 1938. The year 1941
saw the greatest enrollment of
Legionnaires—11,790 posts with a
total enrollment of 1,107,075 mem-
bers.

THERE is no little discussion
now, whenever American Leg-
ion members get together, as to
the form that a veterans organi-
zation following this world war
will take.

The old heads seem to feel that
the organization and general ma-
chinery of the present American
Legion could and should be used
so far as possible, by the young
veterans. Whether or not the ad-
dition of the new veterans to the
present membership roll, by the
simple expedient of changing the
by-laws of the organization to ac-
cept members from this war would
be the answer, is difficult to
say. The younger men might
want their own organization. The
older men might not choose to
take in the new ones.

It would seem reasonable,
however, to utilize the existing
machinery for a new department
or section of the older group. The
same insignia could be used with
appropriate identification.

Of course it is too soon to be-
gin plans for anything of this
sort. There is a very serious and
difficult war to win first. We
are lured into this consideration
with the thinking back over the
years at this birthday anniversary
of the organization of veterans
of World War I.

Editorials on News

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enemy could find out.

It didn't work.

Knowing NOTHING, the Brit-
ish people became confused. Be-
ing confused, they soon BECAME
SCARED. Or cynical. Fright
and cynicism led to DISTRUST
of the government.

Morale began to suffer.

Fortunately the British censor-
ship learned its lesson in time and

began to tell people in consid-
erable detail what HAD HAPPEN-
ED.

British morale immediately
rose.

THIS writer thinks our own
government has been leaning
too far in the direction of telling
us only what the government
thinks we OUGHT TO KNOW.

People are beginning to fear
they aren't being told the whole
truth.

Distrust of the government is
spreading.

MORALE IS BEGINNING TO
SUFFER.

Just as happened in Britain in
the first year of the war.

OUR government isn't delib-
erately misleading us. It is
merely setting itself up as the
judge of what we ought to be al-
lowed to know.

This is due in part to in-expe-
rience with censorship—to lack of
knowledge of what can be told
and what can't be told without
giving the enemy valuable mili-
tary information.

It is ALSO due to the natural
and human (although unsound)
inclination of insiders to tell the
public as little as possible for fear
that if the public KNOWS TOO
MUCH it will get out of hand.

TO the extent that our govern-
ment is withholding informa-
tion from us merely because it
doesn't yet know by experience
what can be told and what can't
be told without giving the enemy
valuable military information, we
should be patient with it.

As it gains experience with cen-
sorship, it will become wiser—as
the British government did.

But to the extent that the insid-
ers in our government are hold-
ing back information of what has
already happened for fear of
what we might do if we
knew the full truth—that is, con-
stituting themselves the judges of
what we are FIT to know—we
should be both impatient and an-
gry.

KRNR

Mutual Broadcasting System,
1490 Kilocycles.

(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
4:15—Here's Morgan.
4:25—Around the Ring.
4:30—Let's We Forget.
4:45—Music Depreciation.
5:00—American Legion Aux-
iliary.
5:15—Orphan Annie, Quaker
Oats.
5:30—Capt. Midnight, Ovaltine.
5:45—Jack Armstrong,
Wheaties.
6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:15—Phil Stearns News, Ava-
lon.
6:30—Spotlight Bands, Coca
Cola.
6:45—Interlude.
6:50—News, Cal. Pac. Utilities.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—News and Views, Stud-
e-baker.
7:15—Jan Garber's Orch.
7:30—Arthur Mann from Lon-
don.
7:45—Recital Hall.
8:00—What's My Name, Stand-
ard Brands.
8:30—The Shadow.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Hi Neighbor, McKean and
Carstens.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
9:45—Dick Jurgens's Orch.
10:00—Sign Off.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

6:45—Eye Opener.
7:00—News, L. A. Soap Co.
7:15—Rise and Shine, Plough
Chem. Co.
7:30—News Bulletin.
7:35—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—Wayne West Songs.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Helen Holden.
10:30—Front Page Farrell, Ana-
cin.
10:45—Your Date With Don Nor-
man.
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 Mo-
tor Co.
1:00—News-Review of the Air.
1:00—Sons of the Pioneers.
1:30—Johnson Family, Swans-
down.
1:45—Boake Carter.
2:00—Glen Miller's Orch.
2:15—I'll Find My Way.
2:30—At Your Command.
2:45—The Bookworm.
3:00—Johnny Richards' Orch.

OUT OUR WAY



THE COATING

y Williams

Forestry Films In Showboat Truck Seen by Schools

The forestry showboat, a truck
carrying special equipment for the
showing of motion pictures, ar-
rived in Roseburg today and will
be used jointly by the state
board of forestry, forest service
and Douglas Forest Protective
association in presenting pro-
grams throughout Douglas coun-
ty this week. The programs
will be directed by Bernie Orell,
field assistant from the office of
the state forester, and Fred L.
Southwick, supervising warden
of the Douglas Forest Protective
association.

The showboat visited Canyon-
ville at 10:30 o'clock this morn-
ing and was scheduled for Glen-
dale high school at 3 p. m., and
Azalea grange hall at 8 p. m.
The schedule for the balance of
the week is: March 18—Look-
ing-glass high school, 9 a. m.; Myrtle
Creek high school, 11 a. m.; Rid-
dle high school, 2 p. m.; Days
Creek high school, 8 p. m. March
19—Drain high school, 9 a. m.;
Oakland high school, 11 a. m.;
Sutherland high school, 2 p. m.;
Roseburg, 7 p. m. March 20—
Glendale high school, 9 a. m.; Ro-
seburg senior high school, 11:30
a. m.; Camas Valley high school,
2:30 p. m.

J. A. Wardlow Is Claimed by Death

J. A. Wardlow died last night
at the home of his son-in-
law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs.
Nobel Goettel, following a long
period of ill health. He suffered
a stroke of paralysis in Decem-
ber and was again stricken sud-
denly last night. His death fol-
lowed soon after.

Born in Lincoln, Neb., he spent
the greater part of his active
life at San Jose, California, where
he was employed for many years
by the American Can company.
He was a frequent visitor in
Roseburg prior to coming here to
reside about a year and a half
ago.

Survivors include his widow,
one daughter, Mrs. Goettel, Rose-
burg; a sister, Mrs. Mary Kelly,
Berkeley, Calif., and a brother,
W. S. Wardlow, Palo Alto.

The body has been removed to
the Roseburg Undertaking com-
pany parlors. Funeral arrange-
ments have not been made.

3:15—W. A. O'Carroll, Musical
Fill.
3:30—News, Douglas National
Bank.
3:45—Musical Matinee.
4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
4:15—Here's Morgan.
4:25—A. P. Bulletins.
4:30—Musical Interlude.
4:45—Music Depreciation.
5:00—Defense Report.
5:05—Interlude.
5:15—Orphan Annie, Quaker
Oats.
5:30—Capt. Midnight, Ovaltine.
5:45—Jack Armstrong,
Wheaties.
6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:30—Spotlight Bands, Coca
Cola.
6:45—Interlude.
6:50—News, Cal. Pac. Utilities.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—News and Views, Stud-
e-baker.
7:15—Interview on China.
7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Ted Fio Rito's Orch.
8:15—Carl Hoff's Orch.
8:30—Tune Up, America.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Treasury Star Parade.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
9:45—Art Kassel's Orch.
10:00—Sign Off.

Calendar of Roseburg First Aid Classes in Civilian Defense

MONDAY

Medical Auxiliary, C. D. Standard (20-hour course). Place:
Junior high school. Time: 7:30 p. m. (Also meets Thursday).

Police Reserves (Class No. 2). C. D. Standard (20-hour
course). Place: Court house. Time: 7:30 p. m.

Fire Reserves: C. D. (10-hour course). Place: City Hall. Time:
7 p. m.

TUESDAY

Air Raid Warden general meeting. Place: Court house. Time
8:00 p. m.

Medical Auxiliary, C. D. advanced class. Place: Junior high
school. Time: 7:30 p. m.

THURSDAY

Civil Air Patrol, Courthouse, 7:30 p. m.

Motor Corps and Rescue Squad, C. D. Standard (20-hour
course). Place: Douglas Funeral home. Time: 7:30 p. m.

Medical Auxiliary, C. D. Standard (20-hour course). Place:
Junior high school. Time: 7:30 p. m.

Air Raid Warden (class No. 2). C. D. (10-hour course). Place:
Court house. Time 8:00 p. m.

FRIDAY

Police Reserves, C. D. advanced class. Place: Court house.
Time: 7:30 p. m.

All air raid warden's gas defense school courthouse 8 p. m.

Extenuating Circumstances

LINCOLN, Neb.—Charged with
making a U-turn in the middle of
a block, a Lincoln man drew a
fine of only \$1 and costs when he
explained to the judge:
"I was only trying to save my
tires."

Sad Mistake

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—One of
Maxwell Field's privates would

like a quick shift to another post.

A public relations officer sent
him to "cover" a speech by a sen-
ior officer of the post. When the
private returned the pro asked:
"Well, how was the speech?"
"You didn't miss anything by
not going sir," answered the sol-
dier.

"That's right, I didn't," said the
pro. "I helped write the speech."

LARGE FLOWER

HORIZONTAL

1 Pictured

flower.

11 Aquatic

mammal.

12 Greek god

of war.

14 Music note.

16 Fired upon.

18 Dilapidated.

19 Street (abbr.).

20 Away.

22 Social theory

of Robert

Owen.

22 Sound made

by sheep.

24 Numbness

(comb. form).

26 Study of

birds' eggs.

28 Great Lake.

29 Lyric poems.

30 North Dakota

(abbr.).

31 Pronoun.

32 Cutting side

of blade.

35 Sea eagle.

38 Search.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

CAROLE LOMBARD

CAROM REARS

ROTAGBETIE MR

INC LIBERAL BOA

PEAS CANAL CLOAN

ERRED NUN CRUST

BRAN M BEAR

ERIAL GABLE STOA

TUNIC SAHEBS

NEO TIR DOP

ATICO RESELES

NOR ECTO

FORT WAYNE

40 Tumbler

pigeon.

54 Flower.

56 Foolishly.

VERTICAL

42 United States

Senate (abbr.).

2 High School

(abbr.).

3 Things in law.

4 Lout.

5 Retard.

6 Carriage.

7 Lonely (comb.

form).

8 Joined.

9 You and I.

10 Solitary.

13 Remains.

15 Distant.

17 Tellurium

(symbol).

18 Three-toed

sloth.

19 Wise.

21 Edges.

23 Up-to-date

persons.

25 Gives up.

27 Not as high.

32 Even.

33 Small parti-
cles of dirt.

34 Stationary.

36 Require.

37 Build.

39 Pairs of

horses.

41 Extreme.

44 Woody plant.

45 Pronoun.

46 Cobalt

(symbol).

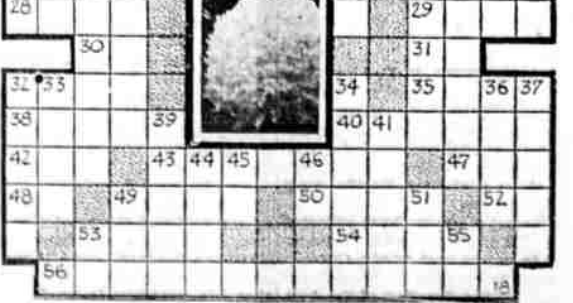
49 2000 pounds.

51 Lubricant.

53 Negative.

55 South latitude

(abbr.).



WASHINGTON, D. C. Mar. 17

—Like creeping paralysis, the rub-
ber shortage is sweeping across
the Pacific northwest, and appeals
to Leon Henderson, office of price
administration, are futile. Mr.
Henderson (he is always photo-
graphed with a big 5-cent cigar)
offers no encouragement; no hope
for new rubber nor old tires re-
treaded, and he has declared (be-
tween puffs) the time may come
when the government may take
the tires right off your wheels.
Mr. Henderson sticks by this
statement, although he has been
challenged by the American Auto-
mobile association and called an
alarmist.

By the time rubber is produced
from the guayule shrub, which is
to be planted in California, New
Mexico and Arizona by the de-
partment of agriculture, most
people will have accustomed
themselves to walking or have
evolved some other method of go-
ing places and several million
will have lost interest in tires
and automobiles. That time will
be approximately five years
hence. It will be four years be-
fore synthetic rubber is manu-
factured in sufficient quantity to
approach the demand.

A thorough investigation of
the rubber shortage is under way
by the Truman committee of the
senate, which specializes in try-
ing to discover what is wrong
with the war program. One who
will come in for criticism is Jesse
H. Jones, head of the federal loan
agency. Mr. Jones refused to
finance synthetic rubber plants
until the natural rubber was be-
ing shut off. He was long ago
urged to aid in the making of ar-
tificial rubber, but his banking
mind resisted as synthetic rubber
costs more and it did not look
like good business. The committee
is also curious to know why, with
trouble brewing in the Pacific,
no greater effort was made to
bring cargoes of crude rubber
from the Far East.

On the docks in the Far East
was stacked up sufficient rubber
to keep one American factory op-
erating for two years. The rub-
ber was bought and ready for de-
livery, but shipping space was
scarce.

Lumber Industry Hurt

The rubber question has shifted
sympathy from the automobile
dealer to the man who owns a
car. The dealer is in a bad spot,
but the private car owner sees
only that he will be walking
when his present tires wear out.
The lumber industry is already
being hit, according to complaints
from the Douglas fir and pine
regions. Logging trucks require
an extra large size tire. Most of
the logging operators carry a
stock of old and new tires, but
according to word sent back to
OPA these reserves are being ex-
hausted and the loggers want to
know what they will do for tires,
and say if there are no tires there
is nothing for them to do but
shut down. The greatest indus-
try of the three northwest states
is held to be in jeopardy, with
one logging camp and sawmill af-
ter another squeezed out of busi-
ness by the rubber shortage.

Jones Sharply Censured

One of the barbs aimed at Jesse
Jones is that his refusal to fi-
nance synthetic plants two or three
years ago prevented the United
States from being at least in part
independent of the crude rubber
of the Far East. This country
lives on rubber tires, and yet ev-
ery pound of rubber had to be
imported. It had been recognized
that something should be done to
make the United States self-s