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had no place to land and would have been nearly as bad off as the Jap planes that returned to their taking off place and found NO CARRIERS.

As it was, they landed on the undamaged runways, re-fueled, took on ammunition and went back into the fight.

SUCH is the pattern of the successful defense of Midway. With slight variation, it will be the pattern of ALL future defense of land points against invasion from overseas.

The OLD pattern of defending naval ships lining up to repel attacking naval ships is on the way out. Probably DEFINITELY OUT already.

MIDWAY and Dutch Harbor were CONNECTED enterprises. What happened (or may be still happening) at Dutch Harbor isn't yet clear. But you may be sure the Japs were gunning for Dutch Harbor as well as Midway.

Get our your map, or better, your globe. You will note that Dutch Harbor (it may appear only as Unimak island on your map) is a stepping stone on the path to Japan and SIBERIA. The next stepping stone is Petropavlovsk, at the tip of the Kamchatka peninsula.

To understand the importance of these stepping stones, you need only to recall the way in which modern planes are being FLOWN to their destination, arriving in a matter hours.

YOU will be certain at once that Japan had two purposes in mind:

- 1. TO KNOCK OUT Dutch Harbor as an American stepping-stone threat to Japan. 2. TO SEIZE IT, is possible, as a Jap stepping-stone threat to America.

FROM London we learn that Britain and Russia have signed a 20-year mutual assistance treaty. For Russia, it was signed by Foreign Minister Molotov himself, who came to London.

The London negotiations took only three days, indicating that Britain and Russia had reached already such complete agreement of views as to make actual signing of the treaty a mere matter of form.

That is important, for mutual suspicion had kept Britain and Russia apart for years and probably had a lot to do with making the war inevitable.

FROM London Molotov flew to Washington, where in a few days more he and President Roosevelt reached "unity of views" on:

- 1. A second front in Europe. 2. Increasing and speeding up of supplies of planes, tanks and other kinds of war materials from the U. S. to Russia. 3. Fundamental problems of co-operation of the United States and Russia in safe-guarding peace and security to freedom-loving peoples AFTER THE WAR."

AS to all these deals, let us hope they follow faithfully the sound principle learned long ago by business men—that if an agreement isn't mutually beneficial, providing something of value for EVERYBODY CONCERNED, it won't work and so won't last.

That principle now dominates all honest business dealings.

If there is to be any hope for a better world in the future, it must dominate INTERNATIONAL dealings.

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(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

- SATURDAY, JUNE 13 4:00—Main Street, U. S. A. 4:30—Confidentially Yours. 4:45—Johnny Richards' Orch. 5:00—American Eagle Club in London. 5:30—California Melodies. 6:00—Dinner Concert. 6:25—Story of the "Star Spangled Banner." 6:45—Interlude. 6:50—State and Local News. 7:00—Raymond Gram Swing. 7:15—Interlude. 7:30—Raymond Gram Swing. 7:45—Freddy Martin's Orch. 8:00—Dick Kuhn's Orch. 8:15—Bobby Byrne's Orch. 8:30—Herbie Holmes' Orch. 9:00—Alka Seltzer News. 9:15—John B. Hughes, Studio-baker. 9:30—Jimmy Lunceford's Orch. 10:00—Sign Off.

- SUNDAY, JUNE 14 8:00—Reviewing Stand. 8:30—News. 8:35—Musical Interlude. 8:45—Voice of Prophecy. 9:00—Morning Melodies. 9:30—Mutual's Overseas Report. 10:00—Alka Seltzer News. 10:15—Romance of the Hiways, Greyhound Bus.

OUT OUR WAY



- 10:30—The Chapel Singers. 10:45—Sunday Songs. 11:00—Baptist Church Services. 12:00—A Boy, a Girl and a Band. 12:30—Carl Hoff's Orch. 12:45—"Masonic Flag Day Observance." 1:00—I Hear America Singing. 1:30—Young People's Church of the Air. 2:00—"American Production to Win the War." 2:30—Halls of Montezuma. 3:00—Wythe Williams. 3:15—Ted Weems' Orch. 3:30—Nobody's Children. 4:00—Music by Antonini. 4:30—The Angelus Hour, Douglas Funeral Home. 5:00—American Forum of the Air. 5:45—W. A. O'Carroll, Australia. 5:55—Musical Interlude. 6:00—Old Fashioned Revival. 7:00—Raymond Gram Swing. 7:15—Wings Over the West Coast. 7:30—This Is Our Enemy. 8:00—Hancock Ensemble. 8:30—Answering You. 9:00—Alka Seltzer News. 9:15—Voice of Prophecy. 9:45—Sign Off.

- MONDAY, JUNE 15, 1942 6:45—Eye Opener. 7:00—News, L. A. Soap. 7:15—Morning Melodies. 7:30—News Bulletins. 7:35—State and Local News, Boring Optical. 7:40—J. M. Judd says "Good Morning." 7:45—Rhapsody in Wax. 8:00—Haven of Rest. 8:30—Bargain Fest. 8:45—Miss Meade's Children. 9:00—Boake Carter. 9:15—Man About Town. 9:45—Dick O'Heren. 10:00—Alka Seltzer News. 10:15—"I'll Find My Way." 10:30—News Bulletins, Am. Home Products. 10:35—Women Today. 10:45—Your Date with Don Norman. 11:00—Australian News. 11:15—Wheel of Fortune. 12:00—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—N. Y. Racing Program. 1:15—Bill's Wax Shop. 1:30—Theme & Variation. 2:00—"USO Calling USA." 2:30—The Grabbag. 2:45—The Bookworm. 3:00—The Dream House of Melody, Copco. 3:30—News, Douglas National Bank. 3:45—Johnny Richards' Orch. 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr. 4:15—Johnson Family. 4:30—Pumpkinseed Band. 4:45—Musical Depreciation. 5:00—Defense Report—Musical Interlude. 5:15—For Your Information. 5:30—Capt. Midnight, Ovaltine. 5:45—Jack Armstrong, Wheaties. 6:00—Dinner Concert. 6:30—Treasury Star Parade. 6:45—Interlude. 6:50—State and Local News. 6:55—Interlude. 7:00—Raymond Gram Swing. 7:15—Hank Keene in Town, Velvet Tobacco Co. 7:30—Lone Ranger. 8:00—Boys Town. 8:30—Double or Nothing, Feenamint. 9:00—Alka Seltzer News. 9:15—Hi Neighbor, McKean and Carstens. 9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr. 9:45—Dick Stable's Orch. 10:00—News Bulletins. 10:02—Sign Off.

Leave for Portland—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Groves and son, Herbert, of this city, left Friday for Portland, where Mr. Groves will receive medical attention and they will visit their daughter, Mrs. John Weatherford, and family, and their son, Floyd Groves, and family.

Recruiting Set By Navy of Class of "Oregon Avengers"

Ceremony at Portland Will Feature Cavalcade of Heroes; Physical Standards Relaxed

Recruiting of a class of "Oregon Avengers" in the U. S. navy to be enlisted in a mass ceremony as a part of the cavalcade of war heroes at Portland, June 26, was announced today by the naval recruiting service. The announcement is made simultaneously with a report that a marked change has been made in physical requirements. The reduction in physical standards will permit admission of many men who have previously volunteered, but were rejected for minor defects.

All men recruited prior to June 26, it was stated today, will be held for enlistment as a group when Portland is visited by 15 war heroes who will head a cavalcade of army, navy and marine corps personnel, with full equipment, to participate in a parade, sham battle and other features demonstrating the strength of the nation's armed forces and efficiency of the training program. Men volunteering prior to June 26 will be permitted, if they desire, to remain in Portland from the time of their physical examinations until the date for enlistment with lodging and subsistence being furnished by the navy, or they may be granted leave in Portland until the date of June 26, or may return to their homes with orders to report at Eugene June 25 and will be transported from Eugene to Portland for the ceremony.

DESERT ANIMAL

- HORIZONTAL 1 Pictured animal. 5 You see it in a — or a circus. 8 It can go without — for days. 12 Level. 14 Table linen. 16 Article. 18 Repetition of sound. 19 Wander. 20 Laughter sound. 21 Incline the head. 23 Senior (abbr.). 24 Seed vessel. 25 Self. 27 Steamship (abbr.). 28 Czar. 29 Sharp, quick explosive sound. 31 Stagger. 32 Divided into two equal parts. 33 Exist. Answer to Previous Puzzle 13 Now Hampshire (abbr.). 15 Force with legal authority. 17 Negative. 20 Stop! 22 It lives on —. 24 Irrelevant. 26 Big wind. 28 Beverage. 29 Dock. 30 Deep hole. 34 Not dull. 36 Strip of leather. 37 It has — on its back. 38 Melody. 39 Wed. 40 Tilt. 41 Vegetable. 42 Consisting of flakes. 44 Whether. 47 Pound (abbr.). 49 Long fish. 51 Doctor. 53 Toward. 56 Symbol for tellurium. 35 Devour. 37 Cured thigh of a hog. 40 Prickle. 43 Belongs to him. 45 Pertaining to the heavens. 46 Cloth measure. 48 From. 49 Prince. 50 Conceited fellow. 52 Bachelor of Arts (abbr.). 53 Leave. 55 Author of poems. 57 Female children. 58 Pronoun. 59 In want. VERTICAL 1 Large bird. 2 Myself. 3 Night before. 4 Readers of lessons in a church service. 6 Upon. 7 Rowing paddle. 8 Bears. 9 Lumb. 10 Suffix. 11 Prompt.



By J. R. WILLIAMS

Son of Roseburg Resident Narrates Three-Day Ordeal at Sea Following Torpedoing of Ship by German Sub

A most graphic description of the sinking of a U. S. merchant ship by a German submarine is contained in a letter received by James Miller, local contractor, from his son, Bill Miller, 35, of Roseburg, who has been in service with the U. S. merchant marine for the last three months.

"The boat on which I was serving was en route from Brazil to New York at the time of the torpedoing. Miller's description is as follows:

"We were not far from port when we got the first torpedo without any warning. It was at 2:30 in the afternoon and I was in my cabin talking to another fellow about what we were going to do when we got ashore. He said, 'It's best not to make too many plans,' and I said, 'No, it would just be our luck to get this far and then get bumped.' The words were just out of my mouth when there was an awful roar and shake that threw us across the room. I yelled, 'There she goes!' and started looking for my life jacket. All the lights went out immediately and it was just my luck to have my ports closed so I couldn't see anything. I finally decided to take time out and opened one port so I could see. I got my jacket on and went to my boat station.

Boat With Motor Blasted "The ship was settled low and listing to port. The torpedo had struck amidships and had blown up one of our four life boats — it would be the one with the motor in it, too. The other midship boat, the captain's, was the only one to get away clear. The boat opposite mine was lowered but had to be cut loose to save it and two men jumped over and swam to it. It was a good thing they did as it was that boat that later saved all of us.

"All the life rafts were tipped and in the water, an occurrence which was to be a good thing for me. Anyway, the real excitement all centered around my boat. We had lowered it almost to the water and there were five men in it when one of the firemen lost his head and let go the forward falls — that is the block and tackle to lower the front end of the boat. We were still moving about 15 knots so it whipped the front of the boat around and it was dropping stern first almost straight up and down in the water. Three of the men were thrown out and I don't think I'll ever forget the expression on the faces of those men as they drifted away, apparently with no chance for anyone to help them. They were lucky enough, however, to be picked up by the captain's boat later. Meanwhile the other two men were hanging on somehow and I lowered the other fall, then let it pay out so the boat was turning some 20 feet astern of the ship but at least level and as soon as we lost speed it was easy to haul it up close again.

Fires Back at Submarine "It was about that time we saw the sub. (All this takes a long time to tell, but, of course, it all happened in a few seconds.) It was a stormy day and the water full of white caps so the lookout didn't have a chance to spot the periscope; but I guess the German thought we didn't have any life left so he surfaced about a mile away. We all made a run for the gun and we thought we got him with our first shot. We fired about six rounds before he went under and I think the only time I got excited was when I thought we had sunk him.

"By this time the ship had stopped. We hauled our boat alongside and all got in. The captain left the ship and his boat swung clear. We were just ready to get go when someone spotted one of the naval gunners still aboard. He was just a kid. I don't know what happened but he was just wandering slowly around the decks and we finally attracted his attention long enough to get him over to us but he just stared down at us. I don't know how we would have got him down if the Jerry's hadn't solved the problem for us.

"He was a long way from being finished and dirty enough to resent us firing back at him. He came up close and fired a torpedo at the stern end of our ship. It would have been an easier target and much more logical to have fired at the side, but he evidently wanted to show us we are not supposed to shoot at anything belonging to Adolph, so he let us have it on the stern where 17 men in the lifeboat would also get blown up.

"When the tin fish struck we were only about ten feet away and in addition to everything else the ammunition was right above our heads. Blown Into Air "What happened after that is hard to describe—even if I do remember it only too well. Lifeboat and all 17 of us, together with the gunner who didn't want to leave the ship, were blown about 20 feet in the air and then sucked down another 20 feet in the water. At the time I thought it was 100 feet. I got a nasty crack on the head somewhere in the journey and when I came down I hit the gunwale of the lifeboat.

Among the hundreds of things I thought of in the next few seconds was that my ribs were broken. I was sucked down and down, twisted head over heels and every which way by the suction and my life jacket was half torn off, so that when I did come up I came up stern first and if someone hadn't rolled me over I don't think I could have made it. "What happened in the next few minutes was supposed to be funny to the rest and it is still a joke not to call me by name but just to stick a thumb into the air and yell, 'Huh?', for they say that that was all they could get out of me. I was deaf as a post from concussion and that was the only thing I could do to let them know I was O. K. but couldn't hear. Anyway, it must have been quite an explosion as the captain's boat, 300 feet away, was filled with falling water. The miracle is that not one of us was killed. "In the water next to me was the same fireman who had let the boat fall in. He had a jacket on and was in no danger of sinking when he made a grab for me. I never felt so much like drowning anyone in my life. But I got away and found an oar for him to hang on to. It didn't do him any good but it calmed him down. We finally all reached the boat, but it was full of water and half the bottom blown out, but the air tanks kept it afloat while we hung onto the outside. "It was about this time that the ship went down bow first. It was quite a sight to see the battered stern raise way up into the air and then dive under with a great roar and hiss. Ten thousand tons of one of the finest cargo ships afloat, Adolph made a good haul that time! Three-Hour Ordeal Follows "It was clinging to that sunken boat for three hours that I never will forget. It was cold and stormy. Every wave washed over our heads. My knees were bruised and cut to ribbons from rubbing the sides of the boat. Every now and then someone would give out and we would have to hoist him into the boat to rest. It was just as freezing cold and wet in the boat but they didn't have to hang on. "It was in that condition that the German found us as he came alongside for a chat. At first we thought he was going to shell us, but I guess he thought we were done for anyway. He came up and asked us the name of the ship, tonnage, cargo, destination, etc., and then left us. Nazi Callousness Noted "They are quite a bunch, those nazis they turn out over there. If they had shown any signs of regret or humanity I could have understood why. Or, if they had even been happy at sinking such a good ship, even that would have been understandable, but they showed just plain bored indifference. We might have been so many seagulls in the water for all they cared. "We did have the satisfaction of seeing how close we came to finishing him though. He had to have the crew out to fix up the after stay, the cable from the conning tower to the stern, as we had shot it away. "We couldn't see either of the other two boats. One was full anyway and we didn't know if they had ever caught the other one. We were a pretty desperate gang when we finally saw one of the life rafts. We swam and dragged our boat to it. Too many men tried to get on it and it turned over. Although it still floated it was impossible to tie down to rest. We did have one lucky break then. As we had to stand up, we spotted two more life rafts just a short distance away. We finally made it to them and all got aboard, where we lay down and covered up with a tarpaulin. It didn't seem like any time or place for sleeping but about half of them did, while some of the rest got awfully sick. Tortured By Cold "It wasn't long afterwards when one of the lifeboats returned and took us off. The first night we had a fine wind and made good time. The next two days and nights we rowed. Right now I'll argue with anyone that one of those oars weighs 500 pounds. The worst trouble, of course, was the cold. We were all soaking wet and it was always raining or misty so we never got a chance to dry out at all. All we had to eat was sea biscuits and malted milk tablets. They were good emergency rations though. They fill you up, anyway. Best of all they keep you from getting thirsty. If we had only had a few cigarettes it would have helped. I thought of that just as we abandoned ship and took a chance and went below and got a carton. I passed them out but most of them just happened to go to men in other boats. What few we had couldn't be smoked anyway. Rescued After Three Days "We were only in the boat three days, so we were mighty lucky. We never saw a ship or a patrol plane all that time until the third day. Then we saw a ship in the distance. It was a foggy day and we were afraid they wouldn't see us. We tried to shoot

News of Men From Douglas County In War Service

Word has been received here from San Francisco that First Lieutenant Frank G. Erno, formerly with Co. D, 162nd Infantry, the Roseburg unit of the Oregon national guard, has been promoted to captain. Captain Erno and his family now are quartered at the Presidio, San Francisco. Their son, Paul G. Erno, a graduate of Roseburg high school, is now serving with the U. S. navy signal corps. His home station is the armed guard station, Treasure Island naval base.

Family Kin to be Deferment Basis

WASHINGTON, June 12—(AP)—A senate-house conference committee agreed yesterday that "family relationships" should be a basis for deferment from military service as they compromised differences in legislation providing allowances for wives, children and other dependents of lowest paid men in the fighting forces.

Senator Thomas (D-Utah), who forecast speedy senate and house approval of the compromise, said that the new family relationship provision represented a modification of the original selective service act "but does not upset it."

The new measure would be retroactive to June 1 but officials said payments probably could not begin until about November because of the vast amount of bookwork and organization necessary to make the payments and allotments.

There was no substantial difference between the senate and house versions of payments for wives, children and other dependents. The senate previously completed congressional action on a service pay bill to fix minimum pay at \$50 a month and increase pay in all branches up to the rank of the second lieutenant, or its equivalent, with increased allowances for higher officers.

School Apportionment For New Year Upped

SALEM, June 13.—(AP)—The state land board announced yesterday that the school apportionment for the year beginning July 1 will total \$330,000, compared with \$310,000 during the current fiscal year.

The increase is caused by the board's program of blocking eastern Oregon state-owned grazing lands, and a reduction of \$9200 in operating costs of the board. The apportionment to each county will be announced in a few weeks. The apportionment is made from the common school fund, which includes money received from interest and other receipts on sale and lease of school lands to private owners.

Perfect Balance

Police Chief Samuel E. Cooper works in a china factory. He balances 96 teacups on his head, carrying them up and down stairs as part of his daily labors, without ever having a break.

a rocket but had lost the pistol. When we tried to tie them to a boat hook they always shot about 10 feet in the air then swished into the sea again. We were certainly a happy bunch when they finally picked us up. After some dry clothes (we all put on several pairs of pants and shirts), a good dinner, and, best of all, a couple of stiff shots of rum we were already to try it again.

"All survivors have been landed now. Some up in Newport, some in New York. We lost four men in the first explosion—the electrician, fourth engineer and two firemen. One of them was a good friend of mine. None of us knew his name. He came aboard in San Francisco singing 'Rose O'Day.' That was the only name we ever called him. None of us sing or whistle 'Rose O'Day' anymore.

"The survivors from Newport arrived here last night and we had quite a reunion. People must have thought us crazy to see us all shaking hands with the cook's dog. That is the only thing he knows. Maybe he felt like shaking hands or paws, too."

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