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Dirty Work at the Crossroads

The marvelous record set by Douglas county war savings bond buyers during the month of November is threatened by bureaucratic manipulations, but will not be lost without a fight.

Ray Conway, the state administrator, is so concerned with the situation that he has boarded a plane to fly to Washington, D. C., to go straight to the president, if necessary, with a demand that the state of Oregon and Douglas county, in particular, be given full credit for the great November bond sales victory.

According to H. O. Pargeter, chairman of the Douglas county staff, total sales in the county for the month of November amounted to \$483,531. Approximately \$175,000 worth of these sales were F and G bonds sold through banks. Although the sales were made in November they were not reported until in December and they apparently were gobbled up as a credit by the Victory Fund, a new organization which in the future will control the F and G bond sales. Consequently the county has not officially been given credit for this sum of around \$175,000, while Arnold Gruniger, Jr., of San Francisco, director of the Victory Fund, was quoted in press releases as hailing with great joy a record of \$328,787,000 raised in western states in the first week of December.

Douglas county is entitled to this credit, which, it is believed, would be the largest per capita record of any county in the nation, instead of having the money deliberately sidetracked to give a boost to a new bureau. Many people in Douglas county made sacrifices to produce this record. Scores of men and women worked diligently on bond sales, not to build a reputation for a new government agency, but to bring honor to their own community.

There is one purpose and one purpose only behind the war savings bond campaign and that is to produce money with which to assure victory. Who gets the credit, fundamentally, should be of no concern, but the fact remains that personal pride is an important factor in a campaign of the character of the one conducted in Douglas county and the more such an incentive is maintained the greater will be the sales. If the county is denied its full measure of credit, the cause is injured.

Bureaucratic red tape already had thrown one monkey wrench into the gears when local workers were denied reports of sales progress and were forced to await announcements from San Francisco headquarters. Now to have another agency step in to further complicate the situation is going too far.

Chairman Pargeter has not permitted this action to go unchallenged. He has made a vigorous protest to the state organization which, in turn, has not been successful in getting the red tape untangled satisfactorily. The latest move has been made by Conway, who now is on his way to Washington for the purpose of placing the whole mess in the laps of the chief bureaucrats.

Editorials on News
(Continued from page 1.)

canal last Friday. The Japs were met by our air and surface naval forces and at least temporarily driven back. Their loss is reported as one destroyer definitely sunk and several damaged.

Whether they succeeded in making a landing on Guadalcanal

and getting relief of some sort to their troops there isn't known on the basis of information available as this is written.

WHY the Japs continue to send these comparatively small relief forces against us in the Solomons, apparently suffering severe losses each time, remains a mystery to those of us who are on the outside looking in. Our leaders, who are in possession of more complete information, may understand it.

On the surface, it looks as if the Japs are playing our game—which hardly seems probable.

THE new Jap airfield at Munda, 150 miles northwest of Guadalcanal, has been blasted again by Flying Fortresses, and recent dispatches suggest that it has been rendered temporarily unfit for use.

Our attacking bombers met no resistance from Jap fighters, leading to the conclusion that the Japs haven't yet got the new field into operation.

THE Germans are still counter attacking before Stalingrad, and are reported in Moscow dispatches to be held by the Russian artillery.

The Germans are having better luck with the weather this year than they had last. The early winter snows are not so heavy, and there is reported to have been little drifting—so that the Germans can still use their tanks.

Everything depends on the power the Russians have available for their winter operations.

HITLER is going harder after the Dutch, and is said to have demanded 250,000 Dutchmen for the German army.

He is reported to be demanding from Petain a French army capable of "insuring the safety (for Hitler) of France and her colonial empire," along with 400,000 French workers for labor in Germany.

Whether he can make efficient soldiers out of embittered and unwilling Dutchmen, French, etc., remains to be seen, but he is trying.

That offers a sidelight on his need for manpower.

KRRR
Mutual Broadcasting System,
1490 Kilocycles.

(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)
4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.

4:15—Johnson Family.

4:30—Musical Matinee.

4:45—Freddie Martin's Orchestra.

5:00—Fashionaires.

5:15—They're the Barry's.

5:30—Melody Hall.

6:00—Dinner Concert.

6:30—Treasury Star Parade featuring Canada Lee in "I Got Wings."

6:45—Interlude.

6:50—Cocpo News.

6:55—Interlude.

7:00—John B. Hughes, Anacin.

7:15—You Can't Do Business With Hitler.

7:30—Lone Ranger.

8:00—Boy's Town.

8:30—Stop, Look, and Listen.

8:45—Herbie Holme's Orchestra.

9:00—Alka Seltzer News.

9:15—Cal Tinney.

9:30—John B. Hughes, Studebaker.

9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.

10:00—News Bulletins.

10:02—Sign Off.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

6:45—Eye Opener.

7:00—News, L. A. Soap Co.

7:15—4-H Club Program.

7:30—News Bulletins.

7:33—State and Local News.

Boring Optical.

7:40—Rhapsody in Wax.

8:00—Haven of Rest.

8:30—Yankee House Party.

9:00—Boake Carter.

9:15—Man About Town.

9:30—Kay Kyser's Orchestra.

10:00—Alka Seltzer News.

10:15—Ice Cubes.

10:30—News Bulletins.

10:35—Strictly Personal.

10:45—Palmer House Orchestra.

11:00—Cedric Foster.

11:15—Baton Elliott's Orchestra.

11:30—R. H. S. on the Air.

12:00—Interlude.

12:05—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer Co.

12:15—Rhythm at Random.

12:45—State News, Hansen Motors.

12:50—News Review of the Air.

1:05—Children's Concert presented by Philadelphia Concert Orchestra.

2:00—Don Lee Newsreel Theatre.

3:00—The Dream House of Melody, Cocpo.

3:30—Mutual's Overseas Reporters.

3:45—Dance Music.

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.

4:15—Johnson Family.

4:30—Confidentially Yours.

4:45—Flight Night.

5:00—Musical Interlude.

5:15—Sinfonietta.

5:30—Jamboree.

6:00—Interlude.

6:20—Cocpo News.

OUT OUR WAY



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

By J. R. Williams

News of Men

From Douglas County

In War Service

Perry V. Nail, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Nail of Glendale, has been graduated from an intensive course in aviation mechanics at Sheppard field, near Wichita Falls, Texas. He now is eligible to become crew chief on a bomber and to win a rating as corporal or sergeant.

According to word received here by George Finley, register at the U. S. land office, his son-in-law, Thomas P. Campbell, of Oakland, Calif., was on the army transport President Coolidge, which was recently sunk, by a mine in south Pacific waters. Mr. Campbell, a junior officer, was rescued by plane and later boarded the U. S. Lurline and returned to the west coast. Following a furlough at his home in Oakland, he returned to service.

Byron Strong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl F. Young, of Rice Hill, and a nephew of Miss Gladys H. Strong, of this city, has engaged in a number of engagements with the enemy in South Pacific waters. He is a lieutenant junior grade in the navy air corps and is assigned to a cruiser.

According to word received here by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hunt, their oldest son, George, has been advanced in rank to captain at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and is now first exchange officer at the base there. Captain Hunt was graduated from Roseburg high in 1925 and later from Oregon State college, after which he did advance work in merchandising at Columbia university, New York City. He was a representative for the National Carbon company for a number of years before entering the service. His wife and small son and daughter are with him in Missouri. A brother, Private Marshall R. Hunt, is now serving in the U. S. army in the Hawaiian Islands and another brother, Lee Hunt, is residing in Portland.

Francis Leroy Bond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bond of Glide, has entered officer candidates school at Camp Roberts, California, and is being trained as a field artillery officer. A graduate of Glide high school, he studied two years at Oregon State college prior to entering the army Nov. 19. Mr. Bond's nephew, Vernon D. Stewart, also a resident of Glide, now is a corporal in the army air forces and is being trained as a pilot at the twin-engine school at Waco, Texas, having completed a primary course at Sheppard field, Texas.

Ex-Danzig Leader Says
Chaos May Hit Germany

SEATTLE, Dec. 16 (AP)—deteriorating Germany will eventually sag into chaos and

6:25—Interlude.

6:30—Curtain America, Teamster's Council.

7:00—Raymond Clapper, White Owl.

7:15—Art Kessell's Orchestra.

7:30—Dark Destiny.

8:00—Herbie Holme's Orchestra.

8:30—Press in Review.

9:00—Alka Seltzer News.

9:15—Round Up in the Sky, E. G. High Insurance.

9:30—Hal Grayson's Orchestra.

9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.

10:00—News Bulletins.

10:02—Sign Off.

Sinking of Liner

Coolidge Under

Scrutiny of Navy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Secretary of the Navy Knox said that a naval board of inquiry was making a "very thorough investigation," into the loss of the 11,936-ton former liner President Coolidge while it was operating as an army transport in the Solomon Islands area recently.

Knox was asked whether the vessel, since it apparently was operating close to shore, might have hit an American rather than an enemy mine.

"I have no information that it hit one of our mines," Knox said. He added an explanation that the location of the sinking was not absolute evidence that the mine was part of an American field since he said that mines could be planted by Japanese submarines in the same waters in which our mines are strewn.

The loss of the Coolidge was announced Saturday.

There were 4,000 crewmen and United States army troops on board when the vessel hit the mine, the navy said, and all but four of them were saved.

A questioner at Knox's press conference suggested there should be a thrilling story in such a magnificent rescue record and the secretary, agreeing, said that the full story eventually would be given out, but that at present "There is a question of possible fault there," which made it inadvisable to release further information at this time.

Since 1907 the French have spent \$65,000,000 improving the harbor of Casablanca.

Roosevelt's Youngest
Son Is Again Father

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 16 (AP)—Their second child, a daughter, was born last night to Lieut. and Mrs. John Roosevelt.

Lieutenant Roosevelt, the President's youngest son, is on duty with the navy here. He and the former Anne Lindsay Clark of Nahant, Mass., were married in 1938 and have a son, Haven, two and one-half years old.

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15 Belief.
17 Limbs.
19 Spring harvest in India.
20 Indo-Chinese language.
22 Symbol for erbium.
24 Large cask.
25 Large antelope.
27 Foundations.
29 Yes (Sp.).
30 Dined.
31 Guides.
35 Cubic meters.
38 He is director of the U. S. Office of Information.
39 Male fowl.
41 Born.
43 Grandparental.
45 Central American.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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1 Star name.
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16 Vital metal.

18 Deductions.

21 Kind of willow.

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26 Employ.

28 Weight of India.

31 Flavor.

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33 Fish eggs.

34 Subdues.

35 Rises in vapor.

36 Incase (var.).

37 Appears.

38 Has been.

40 Drunkard.

42 Before.

44 Narrow road.

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48 Female saint (abbr.).

50 Feminine undergarment (abbr.).

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Concerning the

NORTHWEST

As Viewed at the

National Capital

By John W. Kelly

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16—Most important political report in the national capital is that Franklin D. Roosevelt will not seek a fourth term as president.

That such is the decision of Mr. Roosevelt is stated on the highest authority.

The people are tired of the new deal; the president realizes the significance of the upsurge of the republican party last month; realizes that it may become the dominant party in 1944, and he could not bear to be defeated.

For these reasons Mr. Roosevelt does not intend to run again.

White House familiars have been so informed, and from them the information has leaked to friends.

Until Mr. Roosevelt himself makes a public statement, however, this will continue to be a rumor, subject to various interpretations and much skepticism.

Despite the Gallup poll, which predicted there would be no change in congress and the new dealers would continue their large majority, and despite the statement by Vice President Wallace that only the wealthy voted in the last election and the wealthy are republicans, the president has been doing some thinking on his own account.

He was furious when Jim Farley, former postmaster general and campaign manager for F. D. R. in 1932 and 1936, declared in a St. Louis interview that the people were fed up with the new deal. (Farley had defeated Mr. Roosevelt's candidate for the New York gubernatorial nomination a few weeks earlier.)

The November election disposed of some of Mr. Roosevelt's most loyal supporters in congress; other democrats, taking a hint from the returns, have denounced government agencies of conducting the war. In the past month congress, instead of passing legislation the president demanded—such as extending his powers—has refused and even passed a bill to which he is opposed (including labor costs in farm parity prices). From now on, and especially after Jan. 3, 1943, the president will not find congress subservient as it has been since March 4, 1933. This he recognizes, as one leader after another (Senator Barkley, Speaker Rayburn, etc.) go to the White House and report that they cannot get the legislation demanded.

Congress is preparing to make a sharp line of demarcation between the legislative and the executive branches of government; the president has practically usurped the duties of congress.

The effect of the "no fourth term" decision (which can be reversed later) is to renew the inner circle task of scouting around for a new leader. The insiders have been split on this point for the past year, but no one to date has received the nod from the president.

Parity Note Explained

It may cause wonderment why the house passed unanimously the bill to include labor costs in parity prices for the farmer when last September this cost was not included on orders from the White House. At a conference of democratic leaders John McCormack, majority leader, explained: He could not call a quorum (too many house members were not in the national capital) and the few present—about 37—passed the measure with a whoop. In the senate a handful did the same thing. There were rumbles that a veto would come from the White House, if the president did not change his stand of a few months ago, and a veto would make the

farmers angry with Mr. Roosevelt.

McNutt Faces Woe

Paul V. McNutt can tell you where to work and how much you will receive in his role of dictator of manpower. No other man in the history of the United States ever had such control over the jobs of everyone as McNutt, and congress never vested him with this power. Next year—say in six months—he is expected to be "rationing" skilled workers in war industries by shifting them from non-essential civilian industries and from pools of surplus labor to where there is a shortage. McNutt is headed for a headache.

Wooden Ships Slated</