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The Steamboat Bridge

NEWs that the Steamboat bridge is to be replaced as soon as weather conditions permit is welcome information, even though it will not be possible to secure a permanent structure. Since the loss of the temporary bridge by high water early this month, the upper half of the North Umpqua road has been inaccessible, despite the fact that this route is of military importance and the road is essential for proper forest management, aside from its position as a means of ingress to the county's principal recreational area.

Travel limitations doubtless will bring about wider use of the North Umpqua area by county residents during the coming summer than ever before. Because of gasoline rationing, probably few fishermen will be making short trips into the area, but there will be more campers and vacationists, remaining for weeks at a time, than has been known in any season previously. It is to be hoped that the bridge replacement can be accomplished before the vacation season arrives.

It also is to be hoped the forest service officials, authorized to make final decision in the location of the new span, will agree with the contention made here that the site should be in the approximate position surveyed and selected for the permanent bridge which may be built at some future date.

The bridge recently washed out was several hundred feet upstream from the mouth of Steamboat creek. Its piers were situated in the fast water of the channel. The approach at the east end was over a 20 per cent grade. The proposed new bridge site is less than 100 feet upstream where the water flows shallow over a bedrock base, making substantial footing easy to secure. There would be less danger of future destruction from high water, as there is little current at that particular point during flood periods, because of the backwater from the North Umpqua. The east approach, instead of being on a 20 per cent grade, could be built on a five and one-quarter per cent grade.

For several years plans have been considered here for the removal of the Steamboat ranger station to the point of land between the North Umpqua river and Steamboat creek. A fine building site is obtainable there on a level bench overlooking the road and river. It is impossible to make this change, however, until the bridge and road locations are definitely established. Erection of the proposed new site would facilitate this change in station location.

It is regrettable that it is not possible at this time to build a bridge of a permanent nature. It was actually a travesty that to reach two such beautiful bridges as the Mott bridge and the Marsters bridge, both east of Steamboat, one had to cross such outmoded and dilapidated structures as the Rock creek bridge, and the late departed Steamboat bridge. Neither the forest service nor bureau of public roads can, however, be blamed for the fact that nothing but a replacement is possible at this time. Federal restrictions on materials prohibit the type of structure to be most desired.

Under existing conditions it is to be hoped that this project will be given some real thought and study; that those in charge will think seriously enough of the matter to actually view conditions rather than make swivel chair

decisions without knowledge of or concern for needs and benefits.

Editorials on News
(Continued from page 1.)

arrives in Seattle and tells a story that hits home to all of us here on the comparatively safe and easy home front.

The men from the Coolidge got ashore on an island in the pouring rain, with only coconuts to eat. "Of course," the survivor says, "we'd lost everything we had, but we were so LUCKY TO BE ALIVE that we weren't bothered."

If we on the safe and easy and relatively luxurious home front will EMULATE that spirit, there's nothing our enemies can do in this war that will lick us.

WE grouse about rationing of tires and gasoline and sugar and coffee and impending rationing of a lot of other things.

What we have to put up with here on the home front is NOTHING.

LET'S save an exception here. These things, and the regimentation by which they are accomplished, are wholly foreign to the American way of life in PEACE. After the war is over, we WANT NO PART OF THEM. WE KNOW that NOW.

But, for the duration, let's take it as it comes, as our men on the fighting fronts are taking whatever comes.

WE learn that maybe 1000 Japs got ashore at the river mouth in New Guinea in their week-end landing sortie.

Our air force is pounding them. And pounding the Jap warships that still hang offshore. And sinking the Jap supplies that still float in the sea.

We're still closing in on the remaining Japs on the Buna beaches.

THE Germans are hitting hard with HEAVY FORCES at Stalingrad, but the Russians still report progress on the central front west of Moscow.

That may be significant, meaning possibly that Hitler isn't able to muster strength on both fronts and is still intent (suicidally intent, we hope) on making good his commitment to take Stalingrad. At ANY cost.

We must also remember the importance to Germany of cutting the Volga-Caspien supply line to Russia. Once Hitler definitely abandons his attack on Stalingrad that project will be on the skids.

ALIED naval strategy in the Mediterranean is concentrated on the objective of keeping reinforcements and supplies from reaching the axis forces in Africa. We aren't hearing much about naval fighting there, but may be quite sure that plenty of it is going on.

If we can prevent reinforcements and supplies from reaching our enemies from across the Mediterranean, the axis' goose in Africa will be cooked.

Yule Trees Included in California Shortages

California residents are experiencing much difficulty in securing Christmas trees, Mrs. Walter (Olga) Ettlin, former Sutherlin resident, now residing at San Jose, reports in a letter to her uncle, Gus Lindholm of Dixonville, Mr. and Mrs. Ettlin and the latter's mother, Mrs. S. C. Swanson, who moved from Sutherlin to San Jose a few years ago, are finding shortages of butter, coffee, meat and sugar to be more severe than in most Oregon points, they report. The Christmas tree shortage results from lack of transportation facilities and the fact that men usually engaged in furnishing the California markets are now in other lines of work. Mr. Lindholm, however, has played Santa Claus in this particular case by shipping his niece trees for herself and four friends.

Beau Jack Favored to Defeat Larkin Tonight

BY SID FEDER
NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—Madison Square garden tonight offers a world lightweight title fight between Tippy Larkin and Beau Jack.

This is the same world lightweight championship Sammy Angott left in one piece when he abdicated a few weeks back.

Jack, a windmill kind of fighter who skyrocketed out of the locker room of the Augusta National Golf club a couple of years ago, is a 3 to 8 favorite to turn the trick tonight, despite the fact he was regarded as just a pretty good club fighter with not too much class until he knocked off Allie Sisti a couple of months ago.

OUT OUR WAY



By J. R. Williams

Starvation Faced By Jap Invaders Of Alaska, Belief

AN ARMY BASE IN THE ANDREANOF ISLANDS, Dec. 11—(Delayed)—(AP)—Activities of the U. S. navy and air force have brought the Japanese invaders face to face with the possibility of starvation through the complete cutting of supply lines to Kiska island, it appears here.

Although army officers here are loath to definitely say that no supplies have reached Kiska in the last two months, the last ship seen there was on October 9. Two attempts to reinforce the island were made, once when ships carrying crates of supplies were destroyed and again when U. S. fighters pounced out of the clouds and destroyed a newly landed group of planes on the beach.

The army also disclosed today that the air force had destroyed a Japanese ship Thanksgiving day in the vicinity of Attu island, westernmost of the Aleutian chain.

American fighters and bombers swept out of the clouds to strafe and bomb the collier-type vessel which was neither big enough or fast enough to be a good supply ship or to escape the attack.

United States officers considered its use an indication of a possible pinch in Japanese shipping resources.

With the United States air patrols flying over Kiska as many as two or three times a day, officers point out the only possibility that supplies may have been landed would have been by submarines or surface vessels which slipped in at night and were gone before morning.

Although it is recognized the Japs may cling to the island longer than might white troops, due to their ability to live on fish and a little rice, natives point out that nothing else, aside from a few roots known to islanders is available on the island.

Fish in some quantities may be caught in surrounding islands, but hardly in quantities to support troops.

Besides the certain shortage of food, the invaders seem likewise to be running short of ammunition, since although it is known they possess anti-aircraft guns capable of reaching up to 20,000 feet their fire against American planes of recent weeks has been strictly limited to heights of 2,000 or 3,000 feet. What few planes now appear over the island are obviously patched up from previous wrecks. Their pilots dive into the clouds immediately on approach of either American fighter or bomber craft.

Glide

GLIDE, Dec. 18—A good crowd was present Saturday night for the potluck supper and installation of newly elected officers at the grange hall. C. F. Moore gave the obligations.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith spent the week-end in Portland visiting their son, Lester Smith, and family.

H. A. Blakely visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. John Alexander, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Edna Thorpe has charge of the Christmas program which is to be given Sunday evening, Dec. 20, at the church of Christ.

A collection will be taken to assist the old people's home at Beaverton, Oregon.

Among the Glide people who were Christmas shopping in Roseburg Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Clark, Mrs. Frank Johnson, Mrs. Fearn Moore, Mrs. Robert Blakely, Mrs. Lilly Van Horn and daughter Joyce, Miss Norma Jean Shrum, Mrs. Ardene Holvey, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Strand and children, Mrs. DeBernardi and granddaughter, Mrs. Albert DeBernardi, Mrs. John Barney Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McCord, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barker and family, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Barker, Mrs. Ruth Davis and children, Mrs. Howard Melvin and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Cannon.

In a recent letter to friends Mrs. Frank Wilson, of Oakridge, states that her sons, Loren and Chester, are in the navy. Loren is in the airplane division and Chester is a radio man in convoy duty. The Wilsons formerly resided in Glide.

GRANITE STATE

Answer to Previous Puzzle
20 Its capital is
21 Harem room.
22 Kind of thin satin (pl.).
23 Encountered.
24 Know (Scot.).
25 Sensible.
26 Genuine.
27 Son of Jacob (Bib.).
28 Negative word
38 Roulette term.
39 Little demon.
41 Bare.
43 Province of the Union of South Africa.
45 Red Cross (abbr.).
46 Exclamation.
47 Whetstone.
48 Always.
49 Back of neck.
50 English money of account.
56 Pagoda (Tamil coin).
58 About.
59 Street (abbr.).
61 Near.
63 That thing.

HORIZONTAL
14 Delected state.
12 Before.
13 Elliptical.
14 Poke around.
15 Inches (abbr.).
17 Soon.
19 New Testament (abbr.).
20 Its—are not very extensive.
23 Type of cheese.
25 Allied force.
26 Sturdy tree.
28 Female saint (abbr.).
29 Reunited.
33 Size of shot.
34 One (Scot.).
35 Frivolous.
37 Secure.
40 Pattern.
42 Cable hands.
44 Golf device.
45 International language.
47 District Staff Officer (abbr.).
48 Chief god of Memphis.
50 Saturday.
53 Negative.
55 Cessation.
57 Girl's name.
58 Boat paddles.
60 Wild ox of Celebes.
62 Roof finial.
64 Pompous.
65 Soak hemp.
(Egypt).
59 Saturated cysts.
4 Chinese measure.
5 Hawaiian pepper.
6 Horse's neck hairs.
7 Trudges.
8 Hour (abbr.).
9 Electrified particle.
10 Decay.
11 And (Latin).
16 Portico.
18 Peewick.

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Three Soap Firms, Heads Fined Under Anti-Trust Law

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—(AP)—The justice department announced today that it had filed a criminal information charging the nation's three largest manufacturers of soap and soap products with fixing prices in violation of the anti-trust law.

The information was filed in the federal district court at Newark, N. J., and the three companies and the president of each immediately pleaded nolo contendere and were fined \$10,000 each, the department said.

The defendants were listed as: Procter and Gamble company, and Richard Deupree, president, Cincinnati; Colgate Palmolive-Peete company, Jersey City, N. J., and E. H. Little, president, Orange, N. J., and Lever Brothers company, Cambridge, Mass., and Francis H. Countway, president, Brookline, Mass.

The companies were accused of fixing the terms, discounts and conditions of sale, with exchanging of price information and classification of customers and with granting or refusing certain allowances to customers.

The department said the three companies produced and sold four-fifths of the approximately \$275,000,000 of soap and soap products sold each year in the United States.

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Concerning the
NORTHWEST
As Viewed at the
National Capital
By
John W. Kelly

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Unable to call a quorum and doing business only by unanimous consent, the house of representatives decided to just quit; go home and collect their mileage. Since November 3 President Roosevelt has been unable to get any concessions from congress; everything that he had asked for has been refused and by committees on which the majority of members are democrats. His last request for more power—authority to suspend the tariff laws (highly important to the northwest) and suspend the immigration laws to permit thousands of alien refugees to enter this country until after the duration, was rejected.

The bureaucrats "down town" who have been hoity-toity with members of congress and have brushed the lawmakers aside as of no moment, have become very subservient, very anxious to please and give information. This applies especially to war activities and to the young "economists" clattering up so many bureaus. In its own behalf congress is seeking to recover powers granted to the president. Leader in this is Senator O'Mahoney of Wyoming, a democrat, not a new dealer. What makes the situation in the national capital intriguing is that Mr. Roosevelt is finding his hardest opposition among members of his own party. They have discovered that powers granted the president have been interpreted by Attorney General Bidde to mean things that the congress never contemplated. The democrats do not consider this cricket.

Pierce to Lecture at U. of O.
One retired congressman who is not soliciting the white house for a lame duck job is Walter M. Pierce. After three months at Palo Alto, Pierce will settle down at Eugene and deliver a course of lectures on congressional procedure to students of the University of Oregon. Over in another part of the university Cornelia Marvin Pierce, his secretary, will be indexing the letters, bills and papers which Pierce has accumulated in 10 years in congress and which he has shipped to the university. One of Pierce's final speeches "for the record" is burning criticism of the war production board which, he charges, has blocked every attempt to locate an industrial development in the Washington-Oregon territory that will survive after the war.

NYA Faces Struggle
This year national youth administration is spending more than \$61,000,000 in training young people. Latest figures show there is an average of 53,000 of these trainees. NYA is conducted by Aubrey Williams, who, when attached to WPA, urged the reliefers to work and vote for the administration in order to secure continuation of the flow of relief. NYA was under fire when the war came along and it then became an instrument to train youth to take jobs in aircraft factories, shipyards, etc, training which was already being done by the industrial plants at their own expense. Before this transformation, students in high schools, colleges and universities in the northwest were receiving pay from NYA to the number of several thousand. If the economists can abolish NYA or transfer it to the bureau of education, which also has training courses in schools, the present set-up will be wiped out completely and save taxpayers a substantial sum. It is expected however, that the schools will assist NYA in the struggle to continue.

Home Canning Problem
Looks as though the housewife will have to prepare berries, vegetables and fish herself next season if she expects to have any of these articles on the table. And about the same time she starts with the berries the sugar rationing will interfere. The principal critical material in canning is tin, and that is now precious. To obtain tin for caps on beer bottles the brewers are now buying 10-gallon tin buckets from restaurants and stamping the caps out of this material.

"Victory" gardens, which were frowned upon this year because, it was argued, few people with such gardens knew how to work them and therefore wasted seed and fertilizer, will be advocated by the department of agriculture next spring and it is expected more effective effort will be made to encourage home canning.

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Mutual Broadcasting System,
1490 Kilocycles.

(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)
4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
4:15—Johnson Family.
4:30—Salvation Army Program.
4:45—Dick Jurgens' Orchestra.
5:00—Greek War Relief Program.
5:15—The City of the Barrys.
5:30—The Cisco Kid.
6:00—Dinner Concert.

- 6:30—Treasury Star Parade featuring George Gerahin's "Rhapsody in Blue."
- 6:45—Interlude.
- 6:50—Coppo News.
- 6:55—Interlude.
- 7:00—Beau Jack vs. Tippy Larkin, Gillette Boxing Bout.
- 8:15—Lone Ranger.
- 8:45—Music Without Words.
- 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
- 9:15—The Boys in the Back Room, McKean & Carstens.
- 9:30—John B. Hughes, Student.
- 9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
- 10:00—News Bulletins.
- 10:02—Sign Off.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

- 6:45—Eye Opener.
- 7:00—News.
- 7:15—Morning Melodies.
- 7:35—State and Local News, Boring Optical.
- 7:40—Rhapsody in Wax.
- 8:00—Haven of Rest.
- 8:30—U. S. Army Band.
- 9:00—Man About Town.
- 9:10—Musical Interlude.
- 9:30—Here's Music.
- 9:45—Frank Victor's Quartette.
- 10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
- 10:15—Hawalan Melodies.
- 10:30—News Bulletins.
- 10:35—Henry Jerome's Orchestra.
- 11:30—Jimmy Joy's Orchestra.
- 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—To be announced.
- 1:30—Musical Interlude.
- 1:45—U. S. C. vs. Navy Preflight Football Game.
- 3:00—American Eagle Club.
- 3:30—This Is The Hour.
- 6:00—Dinner Concert.
- 6:50—Coppo News.
- 6:55—Interlude.
- 7:00—John B. Hughes, Anacin.
- 7:15—Saturday Night Bandwagon.
- 7:45—Shep Field's Orchestra.
- 8:00—Halls of Montezuma.
- 8:30—Johnny Messner's Orchestra.
- 8:45—Mitchell Ayer's Orchestra.
- 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
- 9:15—Hal Grayson's Orchestra.
- 9:30—Jan Garber's Orchestra.
- 10:00—News Bulletins.
- 10:02—Sign Off.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

- 8:00—Wesley Radio League.
- 8:30—Mutual's Radio Chapel.
- 9:00—Detroit Bible Class.
- 9:30—The Chaplain Speaks, Reverend Perry Smith.
- 9:45—Songs for Sunday.
- 10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
- 10:15—Romance of the Highways, Greyhound Bus Lines.
- 10:30—Canary Chorus.
- 11:00—Baptist Church Services.
- 12:00—Cadle Tabernacle.
- 12:30—The Ballad of Capt. Gastello, starring Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne.
- 1:00—Lutheran Hour.
- 1:30—Young People's Church of the Air.
- 2:00—Report from Algeria.
- 2:05—Song Spinners.
- 2:15—Treasury Star Parade starring Joseph Schildkraut in "Furlough from Death."
- 2:30—The Shadow.
- 3:00—Campana's First Nighter.
- 3:30—Anchors Aweigh.
- 4:00—Nobody's Children.
- 4:30—The Angelus Hour, Douglas Funeral Home.
- 5:00—American Forum of the Air.
- 5:45—Evening Melodies.
- 6:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour.
- 7:00—John B. Hughes.
- 7:15—Rabbi Magnin.
- 7:30—This Is Our Enemy.
- 8:00—Hawaii Calls.
- 8:30—Wings Over the West Coast.
- 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
- 9:15—Voice of Prophecy.
- 9:45—Sign Off.

Local Units Get Course In Chemical Warfare

State guardsmen and civilian defense units last night received intensive instruction in chemical warfare in a four-hour lecture and demonstration by Major John S. Hyatt, who has been assigned by General Ralph P. Cowgill, commander of the Oregon state guard, as chemical warfare officer and instructor.

Major Hyatt, a veteran of the Spanish American and first world wars, spent a number of years in Edgewood, Maryland, arsenal and is considered one of the foremost authorities on the subject of chemical warfare. Instruction was given concerning the types and uses of the various gases, methods of treatment of gassed casualties, protective measures, etc. Headquarters detachment and Rifle Company A of the 17th battalion of the state guard attended, together with air raid wardens, first aid corps and women's motor corps of the civilian defense organization.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the kindness and sympathy extended by our friends during our recent bereavement, and for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. E. A. Pettey
R. B. Pettey and family
W. B. Pettey
R. A. Pettey and family.

LOVELY CHRISTMAS MIRRORS at PAGE'S. (Adv.)

News of Men
From Douglas County
In War Service
Word has been received here that Don Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wilson, of Umpqua, has received his silver wings and is now taking his secondary flight training at the U. S. navy air base at Lewiston, Idaho.

LOCAL NEWS

Ill at Home—Arlene Watson, student at Rose school, is reported to be ill at her home on Blakeley street.

Working at Abstract Office—Mrs. M. Hagar, of this city, has accepted employment at the Douglas Abstract company.

Will Visit Here—Miss Louise Anderson, of Portland, is expected to arrive here this evening to spend the week-end as the guest of Miss Margaret Page. She formerly resided here.

Reported Better—Mrs. Theodore Althaus (Wanda Armour) is reported to be improving in health at St. Vincent hospital in Portland, where she has recently undergone two serious major operations.

Here From Arizona—Hugo Fredrickson has arrived here from Arizona and will visit with relatives and friends for a week, before being inducted into the army. He is a son of Mrs. C. E. Fredrickson of this city.

Back From California—T. G. Watson resumed his work in the Umpqua forest service office this morning, following several weeks in southern California engaged on an emergency rubber project sponsored by the forest service.

Home From Hospital—Mrs. Ed W. Johnson has returned to her home at 420 West Douglas street, following several weeks at St. Vincent hospital in Portland receiving medical attention for injuries suffered in a fall while fishing last summer.

Program Announced—The Benson school students will present their annual Christmas pageant at 7:30 next Tuesday night at the schoolhouse. Preceding the pageant, a short P. T. A. meeting will be held at 7:15 at the schoolhouse with the president, Mrs. Vernon Keel, in charge.

Vesper Service Planned—Roseburg Bethel of Job's Daughters has invited the public to attend its vesper service Sunday, December 20, at four o'clock at the First Presbyterian church. In the evening at 7 o'clock the group will go to the Veterans facility to sing Christmas carols.

Arrives From Medford—Eugene Thorndike arrived here from Medford yesterday to get his son, Bill, O. S. C. student, and take him home, following the latter having an automobile wreck near Myrtle Creek. Bill was uninjured, but his companion, Frank Dixon, also a student at O. S. C., who was in the wreck, was seriously injured and is at Mercy hospital, where his condition this morning is still reported critical. Mr. Thorndike was accompanied to Roseburg by Frank's mother, Mrs. Volney Dixon, who will remain here with her son. Frank is a nephew of Mrs. Ollie Scott, of this city.

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87½ CENTS PER PERSON
OR... 2 connecting rooms with bath—
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