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New Industry in Prospect

THE Roseburg area is one of several in the Pacific northwest containing alumina bearing clay deposits which may be developed in the event processes for recovery of the ore are discovered, according to Ivan Bloch, chief of the market development section of the Bonneville Power administration.

His report points out that alumina now is being obtained from high grade bauxite ore, shipped in from distant points, because satisfactory processes for recovery of ore from alumina bearing clays have not been worked out.

Studies of other processes are being made however, and it appears that a successful means of profitably utilizing the clay deposits as a source of aluminum will soon be developed, Bloch reports.

He contends that when such processes are found, the industry should establish plants close to the source of supply, building several plants rather than one large one, in order that the industry could not be crippled by the destruction by enemy or other forces of a central treatment plant.

"It is no longer pure fantasy to vision the erection of several plants for the production of alumina from clays of this region," Bloch declares in his report.

He points out that alumina delivered to the Pacific northwest from bauxite producing areas bears a transportation cost of from \$8 to \$12 per ton of alumina, which in terms of metal is equivalent to \$16 to \$24 for each ton of northwest aluminum.

Establishment of local plants utilizing clay deposits in the immediate vicinity would, on the other hand, immediately rid the Pacific northwest plants of this economic disadvantage and thus go far to guarantee continuous operation and "make this region the light metals empire of the nation."

That action cannot be expected to materialize overnight is shown by his statement that "in order to determine which of these clays and which specific areas offer the greatest commercial possibilities, it has been and will be necessary to undertake programs of exploration, drilling, laboratory and pilot plant work."

The deposits of the Roseburg area, however, are listed among those which "offer distinct possibilities for alumina production." The past work, it is explained, was for the purpose of determining their suitability for ceramics, but enough has been learned through such study to indicate the "general location of the most promising areas."

It is not news to many people that the Umpqua valley has large deposits of alumina bearing clays. It is most interesting, however, to learn that processes for profitably producing aluminum from these deposits are in prospect, and that Roseburg may, in the future, be able to share in the development of the aluminum industry of the Pacific northwest.

Editorials on News

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in French West Africa, he asserts that French fleet units in various north African ports will JOIN the British and U. S. fleets on the high seas to FIGHT THE AXIS.

These remaining units aren't altogether negligible. They include two battleships, seven cruisers, three destroyers, about a dozen submarines and a submarine tender—nearly all of them in potential fighting condition. In addition, various disabled or beached cruisers, destroyers and submarines can probably be repaired and put back into commission in time to be useful.

A squadron of that size, coming into action at the psychological moment, MIGHT turn the fortunes of sea war.

DARLAN adds: "French Africa, with the allies, must make a maximum military effort for the defeat of Germany and Italy."

Then, referring obviously to De Gaulle, he says: "I hope that all Frenchmen who are able to fight the axis will do it in close union."

Whatever his motives may be, Darlan is giving us a lot of help. Already, he has saved the lives of many American boys.

AS the situation now stands, we appear to be backing Darlan and the British are backing De Gaulle. Whatever happens, let's not get into a ruckus over who is going to save the remnants of France.

RECENT news from Russia (what little there is of it) is more favorable. The red army reports that it has SMASHED the stubborn German counter offensive southwest of Stalingrad and has captured five more strongholds on the central front west of Rzhev.

Keep your eye on this central Russian front. It has great possibilities.

THE Morocco radio (run by our side) says: "It can be said that the course of the battle in Tunisia is already changing under the heavy weight of allied superiority in the air."

Note that the word used is "superiority," rather than "supremacy." When we get SUPREMACY in the African skies, victory in Africa should follow shortly.

ONLY air fighting is reported from the south Pacific.

Our planes are still pounding the Japs' new airfield at Munda, having just delivered their seventh punishing attack there. The Jap base at Buin has also been raided.

The navy says significantly that NO ENEMY RESISTANCE either aircraft or anti-aircraft guns was encountered.

THERE'S an intimation in the news that the Japs at Kiska may be facing starvation, as well as exhaustion of their ammunition, as a result of inability to get relief ships to them.

Keep your fingers crossed until it happens.

AS to the north Pacific, here's a thought:

If the Japs decide to attack Siberia, they'll move first to keep us from getting help to the Russians. Kiska was a step in that direction. The Kamchatka peninsula (consult your map) will at most certainly be the next step.

It's just possible that if we go after Kiska in FORCE, the Japs may move against Kamchatka in force and IMMEDIATELY. So it may be that our high command is willing to let sleeping dogs lie in that quarter. (For the present, that is; until we get better set in Alaska.)

It's a pure guess, and a wild one, at that. But it does help to explain our lack of decisive effort in the western Aleutians.

Radio Operator Licenses Granted 2 Persons Here

Miss Faith Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy O. Young of this city, and Leroy Hiatt, science instructor at Roseburg high school, were successful Saturday in passing examinations at Portland for restricted radio operator licenses. Miss Young becomes the first woman to hold a technical license, with authority to operate controls, at Radio Station KRNR. The examinations were conducted by a district representative of the federal communications commission, Miss Young and Mr. Hiatt were accompanied by Portland by Marshall Ferguson, manager of the local station.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



NO MORE GLAMOR

KRRR Mutual Broadcasting System, 1490 Kilocycles.

(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

- 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
4:15—Johnson Family.
4:30—Mystery Hall.
5:00—Greek War Relief Program.
5:15—They're the Barrys.
5:30—Bulldog Drummond.
6:00—Musical Interlude.
6:20—Copco News.
6:25—Interlude.
6:30—The Better Half.
7:00—Raymond Clapper, White Owl.
7:15—Our Morale.
7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Eyes Aloft.
8:30—Double or Nothing, Feenamint.
9:00—Aika Seltzer News.
9:15—The Boys in the Back Room, McKean & Carstens.
9:30—John B. Hughes, Student-baker.
9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
10:00—News Bulletins.
10:02—Sign Off.

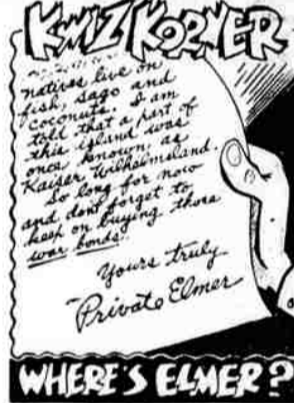
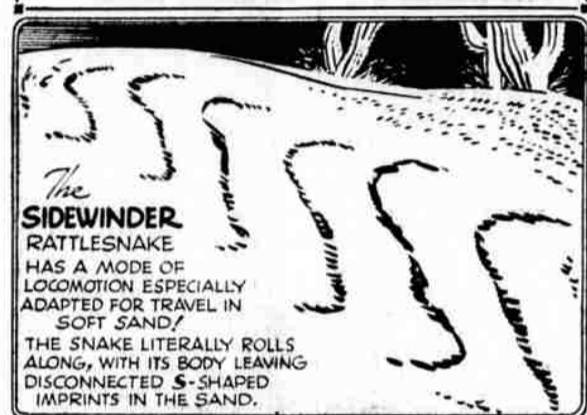
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

- 6:45—Eye Opener.
7:00—News, L. A. Soap Co.
7:15—County Agent 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—Don Allen's Orchestra.
10:00—Aika Seltzer News.
10:15—To be announced.
10:30—News Bulletins.
10:35—Strictly Personal.
10:45—Palmer House Orchestra.
11:00—Cedric Foster.
11:15—Baron Elliott's Orchestra.
11:30—Mutual Goes Calling.
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—Musical Interlude.
1:15—Sweet and Sentimental.
1:30—Bridgeport String Ensemble.
2:00—President's Press Conference.
2:05—Don Lee Newsreel Theatre.
3:00—The Dream House Of Melody, Copco.
3:30—Mutual's Overseas Report etc.
3:45—Dance Music.
4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
4:15—Johnson Family.
4:30—Confidentially Yours.
4:45—Paul Decker's Orchestra.
5:00—Office of War Information.
5:15—Black and White.
5:30—The Federal Ace.
6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:30—Jamboree.
6:45—Interlude.
6:50—Copco News.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—John B. Hughes.
7:15—Special Mileage Rationing Program starring Fibber McGee and Molly.
7:45—Dick Kuhn's Orchestra.
8:00—Health Talk by Dr. Wainwright.
8:10—Chicago Theatre of the Air.
9:00—Aika Seltzer News.
9:15—Round Up in the Sky, E. G. High Insurance.
9:30—Hal Grayson's Orchestra.
9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
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Obtain Marriage License — A marriage license has been issued at Eugene to Gerald Raymond Albright and Helen Pearl Lafferty, both of Roseburg.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

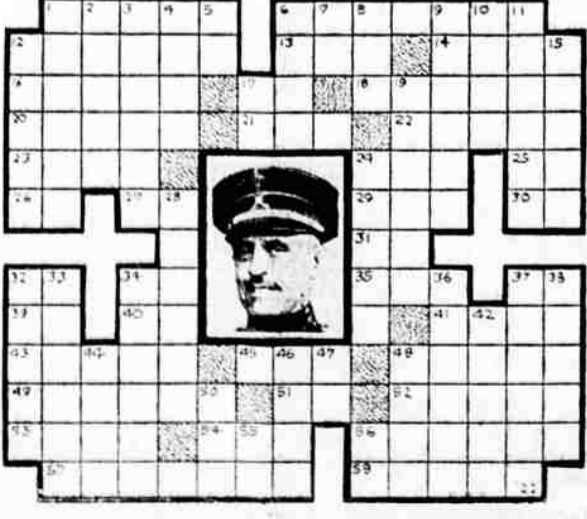


The JAPANESE ARE EATING SOME OF THE SILK THAT THEY USED TO IMPORT! THEY ARE EXTRACTING VITAMIN B FROM SILKWORM COCOONS TO IMPROVE THEIR DIET.

ANSWER: New Guinea. NEXT: Beefsteak on the hoof.

SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTER

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for 'SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTER' and other words.



Concerning the NORTHWEST As Viewed at the National Capital

By John W. Kelly

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21

To the president went, dated November 30, a report from reconstruction finance corporation, via Jesse Jones, stating that RFC has authorized loans and other commitments in connection with the war amounting to \$18,289,576,761.

Of these billions of dollars there was no consulting of congress. Unless a congressman learned accidentally of some operation of the legislative branch was in total ignorance, Senators Danaher and McNary decided something should be done about it to let the white light of publicity stream in on RFC operations.

Immediately certain columnists friendly to the administration charged Jones with having inspired the resistance of the senators because Jones wished to have final decision on all loans. Then in an executive committee hearing, with doors closed and no reporters allowed, Vice President Wallace of bureau of economic warfare panned, roasted and flayed Jones; asserted the war effort is so very confidential that it can not be told to Jones or congress—all Jones has to do is turn over the money and the Wallace organization will do the rest.

Congress has a notion that these war agencies should come to it and request such appropriations as they need, the same as the army, navy, interior department, etc. There is another congressional group which suspects that Herbert H. Lehman, in his capacity of director of relief and rehabilitation for all the world, would be financed through executive order on RFC and congress would be kept in the dark as to what Lehman was doing or how much money he was spending.

Where Money is Going. Despite the secrecy of RFC funds, it is possible to show where some of the money is going. For instance, the United States has paid \$1,488,600 to train several hundred young men from Latin-America as fliers and technicians. Of these 40 per cent have completed training and returned home or are awaiting transportation.

Wool has been bought from Australia, New Zealand, South Africa to the tune of \$187,500,000. A small bag of 3,000,000 pounds has been bought from South America, China, Mexico, Central and South America are furnishing antimony. Ten countries are providing manganese, which will cost \$150,000,000. Mexico, Canada and South America are sending mercury, while little attention is given to expanding mercury mines of Washington, Oregon and Nevada.



crop of Cuba has already been purchased and only awaits cargo space to be brought into the United States.

Roseburg Indians Beat Marshfield In Rough Battle

The Roseburg high school Indians were home today after an invasion of Coos Bay, where they lost a very close and exciting basketball game Friday to North Bend 26 to 32, and then evened the honors Saturday night by trimming Marshfield 37 to 32.

During the third period the Indians became careless and disorganized, Marshfield taking advantage of the lapse to tie the score at 25-all as the game went into the final period.

The contest was very rough, 24 fouls being called against Marshfield 20 against Roseburg, a total of 44 penalties. Jones, Anderson, Cummings and Ward were lost to the Indians in the closing minutes of play, due to personal fouls, while Haffin and Moore of the Marshfield squad were chased to the showers for the same cause.

The committee reported some difficulty in planning canning pea acreage unless the excess above cannery capacity be allowed to ripen and be sold as dry peas. On the other hand, the cannery peas are the wrinkled type when mature, which are not suitable for general use in the food trade, according to government marketing men.

Boxing Trophy Voted Barney Ross For War Heroism

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Barney Ross, who won three world championships in the ring but now does his fighting in far-off Guadalcanal as a corporal in the United States marines, is the winner of the Edward J. Neil memorial trophy as boxing's "man of the year."

Ross, wounded and suffering from shock and fever, refused to be evacuated when his marine unit was ordered to the rear after being isolated in dangerously located underbrush. Instead, he stood guard over his wounded pals in a fox hole exposed to a hidden machine gun nest. He fired more than 450 rounds of ammunition, pitched hand grenades and prayed. He killed at least seven Japs and his rescuers said he probably got ten more.

Meat Allotment Date Advanced to Prevent Shortage

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—(AP)—An adequate supply of meat for Christmas at the expense of next year's quotas—was assured five western states in an OPA order releasing the next allotment on Dec. 20, eleven days ahead of the former date, Jan. 1, 1943.

The present supply would have been exhausted by Dec. 20 in the regional area which includes California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Arizona, said Guy Kinsley, regional food rationing chief.

"Obviously that calls for extreme care by slaughterers, distributors, retail butchers and housewives in making the meat go as far as possible," said Kinsley.

PORTLAND, Dec. 18.—(AP)—An OPA order covering Oregon, Washington, California and Nevada Wednesday fixed wholesale prices for all beef carcasses and cuts.

Specific dollars and cents ceilings have been designated rather than varying scale based on previous wholesale prices.

Peas Best Wheat Substitute Crop, League Discovers

Various kinds of peas offer the most promise as war crops to be substituted for wheat in eastern Oregon this year in the belief of the committee of the Eastern Oregon Wheat league which reported on this subject at the recent convention in LaGrande. Canning peas are being produced already to the limit of cannery capacity for processing, while this year more dry edible peas and Australian winter field peas will be grown than ever before, it is predicted.

The committee also reported a real opportunity in the production of smooth dry peas as a war crop under the guaranteed price of at least \$5.25 under the government purchase plan. These are particularly promising in view of the large moisture supply this winter. Inoculation of pea seed is important on most eastern Oregon soils, the report added.

Some proposals that hairy vetch be grown in parts of the wheat belt were discouraged by this committee because of its bad habit of volunteering. With price guarantees being given only a year at a time, wheat growers would not be justified in planting hairy vetch and getting fields infested with this plant, the report stated.

U. of O. Basketeers Beat Astoria All-Stars

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP)—After dropping two games to the Portland Ballersmakers, the University of Oregon basketball team cracked into the win column on its pre-season jaunt into the northern section of the state with a 37-30 victory Saturday night over the Astoria all-stars.

Astoria took an early lead before the Ducks forged ahead before the first period was over and led at halftime, 19-12.

Klamath Falls Quintet Downs Grants Pass

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Taking the lead early in the first quarter, the Klamath Pelicans held it narrowly for the remainder of the game to eke out a 42-36 win over a strong Grants Pass hoop team on the local floor last night.