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Fiction for Fighters

A SECOND Victory Book campaign, designed to provide good reading material for American soldiers, sailors, marines, coast guardsmen and merchant seamen, was opened Jan. 5 and will continue until March 5. The compaign was requested by the army and navy and is sponsored jointly by the American Library association, the American Red Cross and the U. S. O.

The Roseburg Public library is accepting donations for this compaign and any persons desiring to contribute are invited to leave their contributions with Mrs. Hilda Reizenstein, librarian. They will be forwarded to the proper military authorities for distribution.

If you are giving books to this campaign, don't dig up some old, unwanted book that you have no use for. If you don't like the book, the chances are a hundred to one that the service man won't care for it either. Surprisingly, the demand is for late technical books. Our military services today are made up of serious-minded young men who are interested in education. Books of a technical nature are the most sought after in the service men's libraries. Popular westerns, weird and thrilling murder mysteries, light fiction, late novels and the latest current event material are among the books chiefly desired.

Book donations are to be accumulated at every library in the country. From these libraries they will be distributed to camps, naval bases, ships libraries, U. S. O. centers and Merchant marine libraries.

There is no danger of an oversupply. There are never enough books to go around.

If you have a good book and a desire to do a real service to the men in uniform, pass the book along to him. The rest and relaxation he may find in your book, taking him for the moment from the rigors of training or the horrors of battle, may help in making him a better soldier.

"The drys have been worrying about soldiers' drinking," says the editor of the Oregon Statesman. "The war department insists that soldiers don't do much drinking, on the average, and some independent investigations have supported that view. On the other hand, the Distilled Spirits institute reports that average annual consumption of liquor in the District of Columbia is 3.02 gallons per person as against a national average of 1.33 gallons. Looks as though the drys ought to stop worrying about the soldiers and start working on the federal officials and employes."

Editorials on News
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army by water across the Black sea.

THIS, of course, has always been a possibility.

But there's a Russian fleet loose in the Black sea, with supply bases at and near Batum, which lies at the Black sea end of one of the Russian oil pipelines from the great Baku fields. These bases are supplied by rail from the Caspian.

Allied land-based aircraft would also take a hand in battering the German supply fleets.

CONFIRMING recent hints in the news, Wes Gallagher, AP correspondent in northern Africa, after a tour of 2100 miles by jeep and 700 miles by air, thinks the Germans are going to make a MAJOR effort to hold the Mediterranean narrows between Tunis and Sicily in the hope of keeping the Mediterranean-Suez route closed to allied shipping.

HE says the axis, with short, interior lines and a great concentration of artillery and air force already in northern Tunisia, can halt any allied infantry assault (unsupported by tanks) with murderous losses. Mud and rain, he thinks, will cramp our style until some time in February.

BUT, he says, the German air force is LOSING ITS PUNCH, and is only a shadow of the terrible weapon it was in Norway, France, Greece and Crete. The allied air force is still handicapped by lack of fields, but the punishment it hands out, he says, is TEN TIMES as effective as the German air blows.

He concludes: "Where 100 Stukas once appeared, only 15 now appear. Where 40 axis fighters flew, only FOUR fly now—and when challenged by RAF and American fighters they quickly disappear. The Germans are obviously husbanding their waning strength."

YOU'LL recall with some uneasiness that SEVEN of our Flying Fortresses were lost in an attack on St. Nazaire.

The London Express says the Germans have been trying out new "suicide" tactics against them, German fighter pilots attacking in pairs from dead ahead. They inflicted the worst losses we've suffered yet, but suffered pretty severly themselves, losing 38 fighters in destroying our seven bombers. At the worst, it was about an even swap.

London reports say that in the St. Nazaire raid the American bombers were led by the commanding general. One guesses it wasn't sheer love of danger on the part of the general, who was presumably leading the raid in person in order to study the new German tactics.

In war, new forms of attack must constantly be met by new methods of defense.

MELBOURNE papers display a statement by an Australian official (identity undisclosed) to the effect that the Japs are massing in the islands of the Bismarck archipelago off New Guinea to the northeast the largest armada they have yet sent into the south Pacific.

THE report adds that they are scouting the Australian northeast coast from Cape York to Brisbane with aircraft apparently operating from submarines.

It was one of these aircraft-submarine combinations that firebombed the southern Oregon coast last summer. The Japs were then reported (unofficially) to have more than 40 of these plane-carrying subs, indicating (if true) that they set some store by them.

The ships of the reported Jap armada are said in the Australian story to be dispersed among the islands for safety.

SECRETARY KNOX, questioned about it, says: "There are always enemy ships at Rabaul (in the Bismarcks), but to the best of my knowledge there is no unusual concentration at the moment."

We'll be wise if we neither believe nor disbelieve. One never can tell in advance what a Jap will do.

They may be planning something big. Or they could be peddling the rumor to cover up somewhere else.

Report on Motor Law Suggests No Changes

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 8 (AP)—The legislative interim committee to study motor transportation in Oregon filed its report today without making any recommendations.

The committee, asserting the motor transportation law is imperfect in many respects, is functioning smoothly and should not be changed materially during the war.

The committee also said it had sufficient data to recommend changes on taxation of the motor transportation industry.

The committee asked the legislature to continue the committee during the next two years.

Milk Price Boosts for Oregon Areas Studied

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8 (AP)—Senator McNary has been informed by the office of price administration that milk price boosts for the Eugene and lower Columbia areas are being studied by its San Francisco office.

OPA's regional office expects to come to a decision within three or four days, McNary said.

OUT OUR WAY — By J. R. Williams

State Legislature Headed by Many Experienced Men

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 8 (AP)—The 1943 legislature will have several decided advantages in dealing with its many problems—it will be one of the most experienced in many years, it has an opportunity to be the most united in years, and will be led by a governor, Earl Snell, former speaker of the house, who knows his legislative ropes.

Of the 60 house members, 51 are republicans, while 27 of the 30 senators are republicans. This factor, unless the republicans get to scrapping among themselves, should pave the way for unity. The combined strength of the left wingers is so small—only four or five out of the 90 legislators—that it scarcely will be heard.

There will be 37 representatives and 22 senators with previous legislative experience. So, with strong leadership, the coming assembly, the 42nd, would have a chance to get its work done quickly and efficiently.

The speaker of the house will be 37-year-old William M. McAllister, Medford attorney, who was a candidate in 1941 but who lost to Robert S. Farrell, Jr., now secretary of state.

Contest Impends

There are two candidates for president of the senate, each claiming victory. They are Dorothy McCullough Lee, Portland attorney, who has served in six legislatures, and W. H. Steiwer, Fossil stockman, with four legislatures to his credit. The choice will be made either at a caucus here Sunday night, or at the opening session Monday morning. If the election is deadlocked, the inauguration of Governor-elect Snell, set for 2 p. m. Monday in the house chamber, might be delayed.

Another difficulty that might delay the opening of the session is the question of whether the pro tem legislators, chosen by county courts in the absence of legislators who've gone to war, shall be permitted to serve. This question might not even be brought up, but some legislators have questioned the legality of the whole business.

Dean of the senate is W. H. Strayer, Baker democrat, with 14 legislatures behind him, while H. C. Wheeler, Lane county republican, is next in line with 9.

Harvey Wells, Portland republican, is dean of the house having served in 7 legislatures. Next in line, with 5 legislatures each, are Henry Semon, Klamath Falls, democrat; Herman Chindgren, Molalla republican, and Virgil B. Staples, Ontario republican.

Suspension of Baseball For Duration Possible

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 8 (AP)—Clarence Rowland, president of the Los Angeles Angels, said today that if the administration decides baseball should be suspended for the duration, "baseball will bow out gracefully."

He added, however, he did not place that interpretation on War Manpower Commissioner Paul McNutt's ruling that baseball is not an essential industry. Rowland was commenting on the prediction of Charley Graham, president of the San Francisco Seals, that the 1943 Pacific Coast league schedule will be scrapped if players engaged in war work are frozen to their jobs.

Victor Ford Collins, president of the Hollywood Stars, said he was sure baseball would cooperate, as always, just as soon as the government made its exact wishes clear.

A New Year's Plea

Children Inspiring U. S. By War Stamp Purchases

By MRS. DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

"And a little child shall lead them."

In the schools of our country we find stimulating leadership where millions of children are buying War Stamps and Bonds as their contribution to the War. These children,

so the press reports, are making real sacrifices in order to have pennies with which to buy Stamps. They earn their pennies by selling newspapers, working in stores outside of school hours, going on errands, or save them by doing without lunch, giving up a favorite movie. With these pennies saved or earned they fill their books with War Stamps which they buy to help finance this War.

I believe we may do well to follow their leadership and in the spirit of enthusiasm and sacrifice buy Stamps and Bonds. Then we may be sure that we are doing our part to supply tanks, ships, and airplanes to our fighting men in North Africa, Southwest Pacific, China, India, Iceland, and Alaska.

What we do in the purchase of Stamps and Bonds directly affects what our men do on the far-flung battle fronts. Shall we agree to follow the children's example, to do a little more, to save, and to sacrifice so as to buy Bonds which will keep the skies full of planes and the seas full of ships?

This is our chance to support our men in their fight to halt the brutal aggressors and to restore to human beings a world of decency and order.

Mrs. Roselund Named WAAC Recruiting Aide

Announcement was made by Mrs. C. E. Roselund, president of the local unit of the American Legion auxiliary, that she has been appointed as representative of the Women's Army Auxiliary corps for the purpose of assisting with WAAC recruiting in this community.

Mrs. Roselund was notified of her appointment by Colonel J. J. Fulmer, commander of the Oregon recruiting and induction district. She has been supplied with complete information concerning the opportunities for enlistment offered by the women's army.

Those interested in serving in the WAAC can obtain literature and enrollment directions by contacting the newly selected local representative.

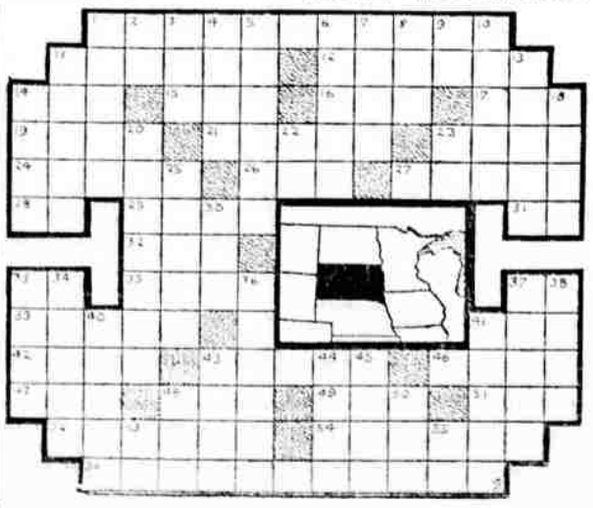
You wouldn't think of sprinkling sawdust on your food to give it flavor, but lots of American soldiers are doing something very similar and enjoying it. They are using vanillin, a flavoring made from New England spruce, in place of vanilla. The war cut off most sources of the original extract so American chemists took wood pulp and developed vanillin as a substitute. Every soldier has some in his ration kit.

MIDWESTERN STATE

HORIZONTAL
1 Depicted state, ——.
11 South African corn meal.
12 Its capital is ——.
14 Sedan.
15 Cloth measure
16 Arrive (abbr.)
17 Uncooked.
19 Wood sorrels.
21 Particle of fire.
23 Flower.
24 Mangles.
26 East (Fr.).
27 Fortified prison.
28 Any.
29 Modified plant
31 French article
32 Father.
33 Spanish (abbr.).
35 Let fall.
37 Street (abbr.)
39 Abatement (colloq.).
41 Roof finial.
42 Small particle
43 Snares.
46 Kind of cheese
47 Light brown.
48 Exist.
49 Has dined.
51 Anger.
52 Chemical substance related to cellulose.
54 Adjust.
56 It is called the "—— ——."

Answer to Previous Puzzle

VERTICAL
1 Seraglio.
2 Over all (abbr.).
3 Indian.
4 Sesame (pl.).
5 Aided.
6 Separated.
7 Church (Scot.).
8 Over (poet.).
9 Transpose (abbr.).
10 Pointed shaft.
11 Philippine rice.
13 Artist's frame
14 State of profound insensibility.
18 Have been.
20 Dust (Scot.).
22 Like.
23 Universal language.
25 Steep descent
30 Bustle.
33 Lath.
34 Flower part.
36 Mother or father.
37 Thin.
38 Duration.
40 Invigorating.
41 Roman magistrate.
43 Cariban Indian.
44 Go by.
45 Let it stand.
48 Every.
50 Greek letter.
53 Depart.
55 Size of shot.



Concerning the NORTHWEST As Viewed at the National Capital

By John W. Kelly

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3—It won't apply to labor on the farm, to domestics (if any) or to casual labor, but aside from these exceptions every person who receives more than $12 a week will have five per cent of pay deducted on each payday from now on—possibly 10 per cent in 1944. The internal revenue bureau has compiled a list of employers in the Pacific northwest and has directed them to make the five per cent deduction. The task of making the collection is laid in the lap of the employer; he is responsible, and the internal revenue bureau will not look to the worker but to the boss who pays the wages.

In most of the war industries of the northwest the employer will have to increase his staff of bookkeepers; the sawmills, the lumbermen, the aluminum plants, aircraft factories, shipyards, wholesalers and retailers, the plywood plants, the milk industry, the cheese factories, these and all others have been advised to make the 5 per cent deduction. Although agricultural labor is being paid in excess of $12 a week farm workers have been allowed an exemption from the so-called victory tax. Casual labor, drifting from place to place, would be difficult to keep track of and it also escapes the tax. The victory tax was adopted instead of a sales tax because of supposed opposition to the latter, but the victory tax will, it is estimated, take more from the wage-earner than a sales tax.

After the war the citizen will receive a credit on the victory tax. This will be 40 per cent for a married man and 25 per cent for a single man, and a 2 per cent credit for dependents. Adjustment of these credits will be made a year hence, March 1944, when the income tax is paid. Hopefully, the government expects the employer to make the deduction in the event a worker shifts from one boss to another, but realists in government predict that several million potential taxpayers will escape.

Shortages Are Handicap

President Roosevelt recently resented criticism of the planned increase of the army to about 8,500,000 (including 10 per cent officers) by the end of this year. The total figure wavers up to 9,500,000. The criticism was not against a great army, but it was argued such an army cannot be transported overseas; there are not sufficient ships. The critics have not given ground and intend convincing, if possible, the president that they are correct in their estimate. With everything favorable, not more than 2,500,000 troops can be sent abroad this year. Such an army will require every ton of shipping available to ferry the troops and their supplies.

Less than 1,000,000 American troops are in North Africa yet the drain on transports, freighters and tankers is terrific. The acute shortage of fuel oil and gasoline in the eastern states is attributed to the demands of the men in North Africa; there is not enough oil to warm a house to 65 degrees; there is no gasoline for other than essential driving, and very little for that. The 500 cargo ships sent to North Africa are all oil burners and they must have oil coming and going. If, it is argued, less than 1,000,000 men can upset the economics of the eastern half of America, what will be the result if 2,500,000 additional men are sent to foreign soil this year?

There is a warning in this for the Pacific northwest states. Some fine day convoys will leave the northwest and California for unknown destinations; there will be scores and scores of transports and cargo carriers, with a fleet of oil and gasoline tankers to supply ships and airplanes. This oil and gas will come from California wells and refineries, source of supply for Oregon and Washington. It is quite possible that a shortage will develop in the northwest such as now exists in the Atlantic states.

Plus the needs of the troops overseas, the commitments of the United States to the United Nations tie up an enormous tonnage for the delivery of lend-lease supplies, and these commitments will continue and increase. If it is impossible to handle more than 2,500,000 troops this year, the president will be told that instead of building up the army a few million men who must inevitably be inducted should in the meantime be placed in war industries to speed up production, as there is little the excess troops could do in the next year or 18 months.

Plumbing Industry Hit

Wail from the northwest is that there is a growing shortage of plumbing supplies and no way of obtaining more. Also there is a shortage of plumbers, but the supplies shortage has become serious. As plumbing comes under the head of public health it is expected that the situation will be eased.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

An Army travels on its stomach, somebody once said. **Uncle Sam's** army is one of the best fed in the world and nothing is left undone to serve our Boys well-cooked, nourishing meals. Hence the importance of well-equipped field kitchens.

These rolling kitchens, with equipment and truck, cost several thousands of dollars. They include three separate gasoline cooking units and prepare food for approximately 400 men. You can help pay for these with your **Payroll Savings** deductions for regular purchase of War Bonds. Let's **"Top that Ten Percent by New Year's."**

U. S. Treasury Department

News of Men From Douglas County In War Service

John Byron, former lineman for the West Douglas Electric cooperative, now is with the U. S. coast guard at Seattle. He returned recently from Brooklyn, N. Y., where he was given special training. He has returned to his station, following a ten-day furlough with his wife in Roseburg and his mother, Mrs. Fred Byron, at Oakla. He reports that he is greatly enjoying his work with the coast guard service.

Mrs. Clifford Barker, of this city, has just received a cablegram from her husband, First Sergeant Clifford Barker, who stated that he was in good health and was located in north Africa with the army hospital corps. He is the son of Mrs. J. F. Barker and a brother of Mrs. L. W. Josse and Mrs. Velle Broadway, of this city. His wife and son, John, recently moved here for the duration from Washington.

Glendale Scrap Shipment Heavy

The Glendale community already has shipped and sold 313,000 pounds of scrap metal and has 10,000 tons on the scrap pile, Ray Robinson, salvage chairman for the Glendale district, has informed Fred A. Groff, county chairman, in response to the latter's request to all community committee heads for reports on scrap metal collected to date. Mr. Robinson, who was the first to return a report, said that many tons of metal are still to be collected, but that work cannot be resumed until weather conditions improve.

No attempt is being made at the present time to collect light and thin scrap metal, Mr. Groff reports. However, it is expected that a baler will soon be made available to take care of this type of salvage.

All communities are being urged by the county chairman to maintain their stock piles regardless of the fact that the metal is not now being picked up for shipment. Piles should now be enlarged, he stated, in anticipation of demands in the near future.

Rain in December Third on Record

Rainfall for the month of December, 1942, totalled 11.95 inches, a volume of precipitation only twice exceeded in local weather bureau history. Following the all-time precipitation record of November, the unusually severe rainfall has brought the total excess to 9.83 inches, almost one-third of the area's normal annual precipitation.

The month of December has an average rainfall of 5.34 inches, but the records show two Decembers with greater amounts of precipitation, 12.02 inches in 1891 and 12.82 inches in 1907.

The heavy rains of November and December have resulted in an excess of 9.83 inches since September 1, 1942, and 5.22 inches since January 1, 1942.

The month, however, was considerably above average in temperature, with a daily excess of 3.5 degrees. The lowest temperature recorded was 32 degrees on the 4th, and the highest was 59 degrees on the date of December 1.

KRNR
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—Dance Time.
5:00—Office of War Information.
5:15—Superman, Kellog's.
5:30—The Cisco Kid.
6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:30—Treasury Star Parade featuring Jim Ameche in "Only the Stars Are Neutral."
6:45—Interlude.
6:50—Copco News.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—Bob Montgomery vs. Chester Rico, Gillette Boxing Bout.
7:45—Roseburg High vs. Medford High, Boring Optical
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—The Boys in the Back Room, McKean & Carstens.
9:30—John B. Hughes, Studebaker.
9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
10:00—News Bulletins.
10:02—Sign Off.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9
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.
9:15—The Charioteers.
9:30—Here's Music.
9:45—Henry Jerome's Orchestra
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Viennese Waltz Time.
10:30—News Bulletins.
10:35—Macallaster College Choir.
11:00—Lanny McIntyre'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—Baron Elliot's Orchestra.
1:30—To be Announced.
1:45—Rhythm Ensemble.
2:00—Navy Bulletin Board, Glen Grey's Orchestra.
3:00—I Hear America Singing.
3:15—Bowling Series.
3:30—Hawaii Calls.
4:00—Richard Himber's Orchestra.
4:30—Confidentially Yours.
4:45—Arthur Mann reports from Algeria.
4:50—Arthur Ravel's Orchestra.
5:00—American Eagle Club.
5:30—This Is The Hour.
6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:50—Copco News.
6:55—Interlude.
7:00—John B. Hughes, Anacin.
7:15—Dance Music.
7:25—Medford vs. Roseburg High, Earl Wiley Real Estate.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Jan Garber's Orchestra.
9:30—Nobel Sissel's Orchestra.
10:00—News Bulletins.
10:02—Sign Off.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10
7:00—Wesley Radio League.
8:30—Mutual's Radio Chapel.
9:00—Detroit Bible Class.
9:00—The Chaplain Speaks, Rev. Perry Smith.
9:45—Songs For Sunday.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Romance of Hiways, Greyhound Bus Lines.
10:30—Canary Chorus.
11:00—Baptist Church Services.
12:00—Cadle Tabernacle.
12:30—Nel Marvin's Orchestra.
1:00—Lutheran Hour.
1:30—Young People's Church of the Air.
2:00—Augustana College Choir.
2:15—Treasury Star Parade Starring Ilka Chase in "To My Son."
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—Hancock Ensemble.
8:30—Wings Over the West Coast.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Voice of Prophecy.
9:45—Dr. Polyzoides.
10:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour.

Camas Valley

Morris Brown, Leslie Siegel, and Neal McFall all came home from O. S. C. to spend Christmas. Their holidays lasted until Dec. 28. Only Leslie and Neal returned to school after the vacation as Marcus is going to stay home to help his parents on the farm.

Several of the boy scouts went on an overnight hike Saturday afternoon.