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Editorials on News
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BIG NEW GERMAN MARK VI TANKS.

We're making big new tanks as well as the Germans. But the Germans got theirs there in time and we didn't.

AMERICAN tanks have to be taken to Africa IN SHIPS.

That lends interest to a house naval subcommittee report on American shipbuilding made public in Washington. Among other findings, the report says: "Man-hours lost (in U. S. shipyards) because of ABSENTEEISM (meaning failure to show up on the job) totaled 12,700,000 in December alone."

TWELVE million man-hours (in ONE month) is the equivalent of a million and a half men working one 8-hour day.

In the course of a year, that means a lot of ships not built in time.

WE mustn't lay all the blame on labor, whose rank and file is unquestionably as patriotic as anybody and whose boys are fighting in this war along with everybody else's.

But if American employers closed down their plants (to go fishing, out to the night clubs, to the races, etc.) they'd be CRUCIFIED.

They ought to be crucified if they closed down their plants in war time, with American boys' lives hanging on delivery of fighting equipment IN TIME.

IN Washington Madame Chiang Kai-Shek make a dramatic plea for help to China to lick Japan while there is still time.

She tells the house of representatives: "To allow Japan to continue, not only as a vital potential threat but as a waiting sword of Damocles, ready to descend at a moment's notice, is contrary to the interests of the United Nations."

She adds: "Let us not forget that in her OCCUPIED AREAS Japan has greater resources at her command than Germany and that the longer she is left in possession of these resources the stronger she must become."

YOU must have noted in the dispatches the past few days that Japan is again striking INTO CHINA, moving up from Canton and elsewhere. What Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek fears is that Japan will cripple China before we can get around to giving effective help.

WHAT has been happening in Tunisia has temporarily pushed into the background of our minds what is happening in Russia.

The big and important point is that the Russians still seem to have PLENTY OF STRENGTH at their command, pushing on without delay from one captured German strong point to another.

G. L. Backstrom Hurt in Woodshed Accident

G. L. Backstrom, who celebrated his 75th birthday Feb. 12, suffered severe bruises late Friday when he fell 12 feet from the loft of his woodshed. He escaped broken bones, however, and was not believed to be critically hurt. Mr. Backstrom, who resides at 829 Mosher street, is the father of Mrs. C. W. Enshman.

WE ARE RESPONSIBLE
EDITORIAL
By Charles V. Stanton
WHILE politicians, bureaucrats, labor leaders, farm blocs and special interests continue to muddle the war effort, our valorous soldiers in North Africa suffer setbacks because the home front has failed to provide them with adequate weapons. The blame for the African defeat rests not on the men who fell back before superior armament, but instead upon those of us at home who have failed to give them all-out support in the way of production. Responsibility for the retreat of American forces belongs in a large measure to the labor racketeers who have permitted strikes and slowdowns; to the politicians who have lacked the intestinal fortitude to call a showdown on jurisdictional disputes; to the bureaucrats, the blocs and the special interests that have concentrated on profits instead of production, on favors instead of fighting weapons; to the individual workers guilty of absenteeism and slothfulness. It is the home front that lost the battle, not the boys who found their weapons inadequate to withstand the assault of the enemy force. The guns and tanks of the enemy were able to force their way through our lines simply because our boys lacked guns and tanks of equal strength. The reason they lacked that equipment is simply because we have failed to provide it in ample quantity. We have, undoubtedly, set a wonderful record for production, but it certainly is evident to anyone who is informed on events throughout the nation, that the time lost by labor disputes, by bureaucratic dalliance, by work slowdowns and by individual laxness, would have been sufficient, if properly utilized, to have produced enough planes, tanks, guns and ammunition, which, if brought together, would have been sufficient to have spelled the difference between victory and defeat. But read what one of our soldiers thinks of conditions at home. Corporal Edwin E. Collom of Roseburg writing from England to his step-sister, Mrs. V. H. Cornutt at Myrtle Creek, says: "I don't imagine we will be back home until this war is over and this war won't be over until we get supplies and equipment with which to fight it. We need every tool and machine that we can get our hands on. Every time I hear of some strike back there at home my blood does a jungle dance. Those people are either simple-minded or else they don't give a—(soldier language—deleted)—what happens. I wish some of those people were sent to some foreign country for a couple of months. I imagine they would get an inkling of how we feel, because we know we can't go home until the end of the war." Certainly that letter, and the thousands of others like it that our boys must be writing home, should be a challenge to all of us. If our blood would only boil because of strikes and slowdowns, because of political pussyfooting, because of bureaucratic boondoggling, we could soon put an end to such things; we would buy more bonds, we would collect more scrap, we would, in other words, go all out for production. Pearl Harbor awoke us from our slumber. Perhaps Tunisia will cause us to rub the sleep from our eyes.

KRRR
Mutual Broadcasting System,
1490 Kilocycles.
BEST BETS FOR TODAY
SATURDAY
5:00—American Eagle Club.
8:15—Roseburg High vs. Ashland High.
SUNDAY
2:00—Anchors Aweigh.
2:30—The Shadow.
3:00—First Nighter.
4:00—Bulldog Drummond.
MONDAY
4:30—Mystery Hall.
7:30—President Roosevelt.
8:00—San Quentin on the Air.
8:30—Double or Nothing.
(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)
4:00—My People.
4:30—Confidentially Yours.
4:45—Arthur Mann Reports from Algiers.
4:50—Max Hill, A. P. Correspondent.
5:00—American Eagle Club.
5:30—Norman Nesbitt, Studebaker.
5:45—They're the Barrys.
6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:50—Copco News.
7:00—John B. Hughes, Anacini.
7:15—Swing Sore.
7:25—Roseburg Hi vs. Ashland Hi, Earl Wiley, Real Estate.
7:30—Just 5 Lines.
8:00—Musical Interlude.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
8:15—Roseburg Hi vs. Ashland Hi, Earl Wiley, Real Estate.
9:15—Saturday Nite Bond wagon.
9:45—Jan Garber's Orch.
10:00—News Bulletins.
10:02—Sign Off.
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21
8:00—Wesley Radio League.
8:30—Mutual's Radio Chapel.
9:00—Detroit Bible Class.
9:30—The Chaplain Speaks, Rev. Perry Smith.
9:45—Songs for Sunday.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Remembrance of the Hiways, Greyhound Bus Lines.
10:30—Canary Chorus.
11:00—Baptist Church Services.
12:00—Floyd B. Johnson & King's Ambassadors.
12:30—Rotary Birthday Celebration.
1:00—Lutheran Hour.
1:30—Young People's Church of the Air.
2:00—Anchors Aweigh.
2:30—The Shadow.
3:00—Campana's First Nighter.

OUT OUR WAY
By J. R. Williams
I'M PUTTING WINGS ON JAPS THAT'S BEEN SHOT DOWN! I DON'T SEE NO SENSE OF LEAVIN' 'EM FALL CLEAR TO EARTH IF THEY'RE GOIN' UP AGIN ANY-WAY!
WELL, YOU'RE A VERY KIND ENEMY --BUT DON'T YOU THINK PEOPLE WHO STAB YOU IN THE BACK WOULD MORE LIKELY BE GOIN' DOWN TO THE OTHER PLACE?
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Concerning the NORTHWEST
As Viewed at the National Capital
By John W. Kelly
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—For the past few years the department of state has done nothing towards negotiating with Russia to determine title to Wrangel island, in the far north, was discovered by an American but the Russians claim title by occupation. Senate military affairs committee considers Wrangel valuable as a defense outpost against an aggressor. The status of this island is part of a plan being proposed by a group of senators for the protection of the western hemisphere in the future. The administration has attempted to shush this proposal, not wishing to offend the Russians. What the senate group demands is that the bases which have been established in the Pacific and Atlantic by the United States be retained in the possession of this country for all time. The time to settle these matters, they assert, is now while the world war is in progress and not until the peace table and have the United States eueched again. Nations fighting together can come to an understanding more readily than when the battle is over and the swag is being whacked up. It was necessary to defend the east coast of the western hemisphere, especially the Panama canal, and this required installations in the Caribbean. In exchange for 50 over-age destroyers Britain gave a lease to the United States for 99 years. Then the United States had to purchase from private owners the land for the bases at a stiff figure, and then Uncle Sam had to send engineers and contractors to dredge and build the bases at a cost of many millions. The British said they would permit the use of these bases for army and navy planes, but no American commercial planes. There are provisions for Great Britain canceling the leases and taking over all the improvements paid for by American taxpayers. From a revenue standpoint, these British islands are not worth a farthing, but they are highly important to the United States and Latin America. Vital Islands Wanted In the Pacific are other bases, such as Galapagos islands and a series of atolls in which the United States and Great Britain have a community interest, although like Wrangel island, they were discovered by skippers of American sailing vessels in whale hunting. The senate group wants these surrendered to the United States; they want no island needed for the defense of Britain or Russia, but they insist the United States should have possession of every island required for our own protection. The time, contend the senators, to straighten out these matters is the present and not after the war when America's allies may forget the lend-lease contributions. (Winston Churchill assured the house of commons that he has no intention of liquidating the British empire. There will be more developments on this later. Siberian Bases Denied As navy and army prepare for

blowing Japan out of the water, as has been revealed by the president, they are still hoping that Stalin will grant air bases in Siberia. There are three locations where the air force of the army would like to establish bases, but whenever the subject has been taken up with Stalin his only reply was "second front." While not necessary to have these Siberian bases, they would reduce the distance for an air attack on Tokyo.

The Alcan highway to Alaska was built to take munitions overland to the territory and in addition to strengthening that section to arrange for transferring to Siberia what would be required for the contemplated demolition of Japanese industrial cities. But Stalin refuses to budge. Meanwhile supplies from the northwest to Russia are being sent in great quantity than heretofore, according to Edward Stettinius, in charge of lend-lease, but these are machine tools, tractors, oil drilling machinery, copper wire and food. The planes and tanks reach Russia via Archangel and Murmansk.

Convicts To Be Drafted

Inmates of state penal institutions in Washington and Oregon will soon be registered for the draft. At present an inmate must register within five days of release. When and if the manpower shortage for the army becomes acute, there is a plan to request pardon boards to release the physically fit inmates between 18 and 35 years so they can be inducted into the army. Most of the inmates, it is reported, are willing to take up arms in defense of the United States. Induction would be one method of reducing the population of these institu-

tions and saving the cost of maintenance on the prison budgets. It is estimated that 170,000 are held in prison throughout the United States.

Local Employees Aid in Forming Eugene Chapter

Officers of Roseburg local No. 360, American Federation of State, County and Municipal employes, went to Eugene Friday night to assist in organization of a chapter of the federation in that city. Those making the trip included Henry Eskine, president, Lawrence P. Watson, vice-president, both of whom were speakers at the meeting; Larry Smilton, secretary and Erwin Clark, treasurer, who submitted reports. The Eugene chapter is the third to be organized by officers of the Roseburg locals, the others being installed at Grants Pass and Coquille. It is reported that the federation is growing rapidly and that much interest is being shown in the organization.

Garrison Whips Spina, Proctor K. O.s Taylor

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 19.—(AP)—Jimmy Garrison, 147, of Kansas City, Mo., defeated Al Spina, 143, Portland, by a technical knockout in the fourth round of a scheduled ten-round main event here last night.

Powder Proctor, 159, Portland, kayoed Johnny Taylor, 153, Oakland, in the fifth round of another scheduled 10-round bout.

U. S. NAVAL COMMANDER
HORIZONTAL
1.6 Pictured U. S. Naval commander, Admiral
14 The Atlantic is his—of warfare.
15 His flagship is around 600—long.
16 Despair.
17 Exult.
20 Sailor.
21 Exclamation of surprise.
23 — is his business.
24 Mytic syllable.
25 River in Italy.
26 Knock.
28 Toward.
29 Peruse.
30 Repose.
32 Shed (Fr.).
34 Half an em.
35 Each (abbr.).
36 Social system in India.
39 Black-fn snapper.
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
1. NORTH CAROLINA
2. APER AGENT
3. AM PA NEB STER
4. BET PADDERS
5. ADRI CA LA
6. PARRIED KNEELER
7. ECHIS LUSTERS
8. STELLAR TATTING
9. ELI NORES SG
10. TILMS
11. OOVINE
12. OVATE
13. CAROLINA
14. SHOD
15. ALMO
16. TAN
17. SHAVING instrument.
18 Either.
19 Still.
20 A frosh.
21 Woolly.
22 Provided.
23 Pen point.
24 Driving command.
25 9 And (Latin).
26 Imposture.
27 Rowing stick.
28 Lieutenant (abbr.).
29 Citrus fruit.
30 Let fall.
31 Jewish teacher.
32 Him.
33 Sprite.
34 Card game.
35 Lengthy.
36 Stout cord.
37 Lair.
38 Five and five.
39 2000 pounds.
40 "Old Dominion State" (abbr.).
41 Area measure (abbr.).
42 Symbol for tellurium.
43 Perform.
VERTICAL
1 Shaving instrument.
2 Either.
3 Still.
4 A frosh.
5 Woolly.
6 Provided.
7 Pen point.
8 Driving command.
9 And (Latin).
10 Imposture.
11 Rowing stick.
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Roseburg Indians Defeat Lithian Hoopsters, 48-32

The Roseburg high school Indians outspurred the Ashland Lithians last night to take a fast basketball game, 48 to 32. The Indians went into an early lead and were in front 19 to 12 at half time and 30 to 20 going into the last period.

The same two teams play again tonight at which time the Indians hope to complete revenge for their two defeats suffered earlier in the season at Ashland, where the Lithians won their only victories achieved so far in league play. The Indians used their superior height last night to good advantage in controlling rebounds, and played a running game featured by close ball hawking. The outstanding feature of the contest was the last quarter exhibition staged by Jim Ward and Ward Cummings, the flashy guards of the Indian squad, who teamed up in a display of passing and ball stealing in which Ward, former Days Creek star, rolled up six points in 40 seconds of play.

Samuelson and Waybrant led both offensive and defensive play for the visitors. Samuelson and Cummings were tied for high point honors, each with 13.

Tonight's game will be preceded by a preliminary between the junior high school Papooses and the senior high sophomores. The preliminary will start at 7 p. m. and the main game at 8:15 p. m. Tonight's game will be the last home game of the season. The Indians will have two more league games to play, but both are scheduled at Grants Pass, where Roseburg will need two successive victories to go into a tie for first place, providing they can repeat last night's performance against Ashland in the game tonight.

Lineups:
Ashland 32 Pos. 48 Roseburg
Elam 2 F. 10 Wimberly
Samuelson 13. F. 5 Loomis
Bartlett 3 C. 7 James
Riggs 2 G. 13 Cummings
Waybrant 7 G. 2 Baker
Substitutions: Ashland—Balfour 2, Robertson 3; Roseburg—Anderson 2, Krell, Shapre, Ward 11.

OTHER HI SCHOOL SCORES

Medford 33, Grants Pass 17.
Junction City 46, Cottage Grove 22.

EUGENE, Feb. 20.—(AP)—Pleasant Hill won its first Lane county class B basketball title in 12 years last night, defeating St. Mary's high school of Eugene, 41-30, in the finals of the 19th annual tournament.

But he made several other mistakes in the course of the evening's back-busting, and the chief one of these cost him the fight as well as an assortment of lumps and bumps from the belts on the whiskers he received.

This slight error was in trying to trade long-range artillery with the Harlem sugar man at odd moments during the ten rounds. The sugar-man's Sunday shots in the fourth round felled Jackie for a nine-count and hit him with everything but the hot-dog hawkers.

On the other hand, whenever Wilson waded in, stayed close to Robinson and whacked away at the Harlem Hammer's skinny sides, he had a lot of fun and considerable success. In fact, that's how he won all the four rounds he did.

All of which might be a friendly tip to Jake Lamotta. Jake is the Mr. Five by Five from the Bronx who handed Ray the first defeat of his 141-fight career in Detroit a couple of weeks ago, and is going to try to make it stick again February 26.

Cougars Wallop Idaho; Oregon Five Defeats O. S. C.

(By the Associated Press)
The Washington State college Cougars slipped into the lead of the northern division of the Pacific Coast conference basketball race again last night by defeating the University of Idaho squad 55 to 33 on the Pullman floor.

Meanwhile, the University of Oregon wiped out practically the last hopes of Oregon State that they might repeat their division championship of last year.

Oregon won 42 to 38 to move to within a half game of the second place Washington team, which is just a game behind the leading Cougars.

Oregon State has five victories and six losses and the Idaho squad has won only by a single contest in 12 starts.

At Corvallis, Oregon State led 23-21 at the half. The score bobbed back and forth twice in the second half before the Oregon squad was able to pull ahead for good. A 17 to 11 lead, which Oregon State held in the first half, was the greatest margin between the teams at any time. Al Popick, unheralded sophomore substitute guard, gave Oregon its victory with six field goals in the second half. He was the high scorer of the game.

Gall Bishop, forward, was high scorer for Washington State with 17 points, while R. Ryan led Idaho with 12. Fred Quinn, Idaho center who set a conference scoring mark of 27 points in one game, scored only three points—a field goal and a free throw.

Yoncalla Victor Over Elktion at Basketball

Yoncalla high school defeated Elktion 50 to 24 in a basketball game at Yoncalla Thursday night. The home team took a comfortable lead in the first quarter and had a margin of 22 to 6 at half time. The Elktion girls, however, evened the count by taking a 30 to 18 victory in the volleyball game, but the Yoncalla second team won over the Elktion seconds in a basketball contest to give the home town the edge in the night's athletic competition.

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Yoncalla 50 Pos. 24 Elktion

DAILY DEVOTIONS
DR. CHARLES A. EDWARDS
A guide was taking a young man up the rugged Byrones for his first hard climb. They spent the night at the halfway house. The next morning a great storm arose. The frightened man wakened the guide who quietly reassured him by saying, "This is the way the morning dawns in the Pyrenees. How encouraging in these days of unrest and confusion to think of St. Paul though in a dungeon, saying: 'I know whom I have believed, and this one thing I do, press forward.' St. Paul knew his goal. Christ knew His way when He steadfastly set His face to Jerusalem. What a different attitude in John the Baptist, who from prison sent word to Christ, 'Art thou He that should come, or do we look for another?' and of Thomas the doubting disciple who said, 'Except I shall see in His hands the print of the nails, I will not believe.' Let us then labor for an inward stillness. An inward stillness and an inward healing. That perfect silence where the lips and heart are still, and we no longer entertain. Our own imperfect thoughts and vain opinions; But God alone speaks in us, and we wait. In singleness of heart, that we may know His will. Amen.

Rice 10 F. 8 Weatherly
Madden 14 F. 8 Henderer
Williams 16 C2 Winterbotham
Wright 4 G. 4 Gourley
Bigelow 4 G. 2 Stewart
Substitutions: Yoncalla—Merk, Potter 2, Worman; Elktion—Gourley.

Sugar Robinson Defeats Wilson

By SID FEDER

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—(AP)—California Jackie Wilson didn't make any mistake in showing up at Madison Square garden last night, although it's matter for argument as to whether the \$10,000 or so he got for turning up was worth the thumping he absorbed from Ray Robinson.

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Time Changes Made On Popular KRRR Shows

Marshall Pengra, manager of KRRR, calls attention to the change of time on two popular radio shows Sunday. "Anchors Aweigh," the navy show, has been moved to 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. This week's broadcast will feature "Eighteen Men in a Boat," the story of the men who escaped from Cavite in an open boat. "Bulldog Drummond," super-sleuth, will solve the "Case of the Missing Map" at 4 o'clock. As usual "The Shadow" will appear at 2:30 and "The First Nighter" presents an original radio drama at 3.

Thimble Club to Meet—The N. of W. Thimble club will hold a 1:30 o'clock potluck luncheon Monday at the home of Mrs. Chauncey Dunn on Wharton ave.

From California!
THE KING'S AMBASSADOR BROADCAST
with
FLOYD B. JOHNSON
and the KING'S AMBASSADOR QUARTET
"THE WHOLE GOSPEL"
KRRR
SUNDAYS
12:00 NOON