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Editorials on News

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their lines. As they shorten their lines FEWER MEN can hold the shorter front.

That will spare men for other fronts.

THE Germans aren't shortening their lines because they want to. They're shortening them because they HAVE TO.

Nobody falls back to a new line because he wants to. But falling back to a new line often works.

Hit hard by Rommel, WE fell back to a new line in Tunisia, and from this new line we counter-attacked and DROVE ROMMEL BACK.

THIS is the point:

The Germans aren't licked yet. They won't be licked until they're driven to the point where they no longer have either the will to fight or the men and the weapons to fight with.

In a war to the death, we simply MUST be realistic in our thinking.

THERE isn't much news from Africa, but what there is remains good.

For four days the Germans have been trying to outflank Medjez el Bab to the north. They've run into stubborn British resistance, and recent dispatches tell us that some of the best German infantry and tank units in the whole Tunisian area BROKE AND FLED in the face of murderous British artillery fire.

Things like that mean more than ground gained or lost—UNLESS it is strategic ground.

PURSUING further this strategic ground idea, the dispatches tell us that Rommel has already given up more than a third of the territory he took from us when he hit us spectacularly last week and the week before.

But, you'll note, he HASN'T given up Faid pass.

Mountain passes are STRATEGIC ground.

REUTERS (British news agency) reports that American troops, planes, guns and equipment are arriving in North Africa in a steady flow.

A new, heavily loaded convoy, the Reuters dispatch adds, has just made port.

GENERAL Davenport Johnson, commander of the U. S. second air force, tells the Redmond chamber of commerce that the axis is losing SIX planes to the allies' one.

THINGS like these are important—immensely more important than average run-of-the-mill ground gained or lost in the fighting from day to day.

Ground is important or unimportant only as it bears on the larger objectives and purposes of the war. The whole of Tunisia, for example, is VASTLY important, because it commands from the African side the NARROWS of the Mediterranean, and the Mediterranean (including Gibraltar and Suez) is an almost indispensable short cut for supplies for the Middle East, India and even Australia.

IN world war No. 1, when mighty armies were entrenched along the western front, we got an exaggerated idea of the importance of mere ground.

In this war of movement all over the world, ground doesn't mean so much. What counts is destroying the enemy's will to fight and resources to fight with.

KEEP YOUR POWDER DRY

EDITORIAL

By Charles V. Stanton

GERMANY'S vociferous propagandists have been vehemently promising dire reprisals on cities of the Atlantic coast for bombings carried out over Berlin and axis-held territory. At the same time military authorities in the United States are predicting Japanese raids and possible invasion of the Pacific coast.

A great many people scoff at the idea of the enemy reaching the United States. Too many people still put reliance in the natural barriers afforded by bordering oceans, forgetting that modern warfare, with its use of submarines and airplanes, has largely eliminated the obstacle of distance.

It is well to remember that while "it can't happen here" it might.

Here on the Pacific coast we have built up a great civilian defense organization, but because there has been no active service, interest is waning and many of the services have lost the bulk of their trained membership and today are unprepared for the duties they will be called upon to perform in the event the possible attack should materialize.

We have an aircraft warning service, manned by volunteers who are making much personal sacrifice in time and effort. The demands of farm labor, the coming of warmer weather, the lure of summer recreation will make heavy inroads on the personnel of that auxiliary arm of military defense.

The Oregon state guard has been formed to work in cooperation with the army in the event of invasion. Roseburg is headquarters for three units of that military organization, yet every company needs recruits. None is at full strength.

These ravings of the German maniacs may be but wild boasts. The fears of our military experts concerning Japanese attacks may be groundless. A wise general is one who foresees and prepares for every possible move the enemy may make. The enemy is desperate. The allied nations are on the offensive. Diversion is essential to the cause of the axis powers. Attacks on the shores of the United States might serve to force this nation to keep at home some of the airplanes that would otherwise go to the fighting fronts in Europe, Africa, Asia and the south Pacific. A threat at the Pacific coast might force diversion of naval strength now so badly needed in convoying troops and materials or engaged in aggressive hunts for enemy forces. Suicide attacks by bombing and invasion are not beyond the realm of possibility.

We must not fail in our defense program. It is obvious that lack of action produces lack of interest. The army imposes the severest penalties upon the sentry who sleeps at his post. We must not sleep on our job of home defense. It is well at this time to remember the admonition, "Put your trust in God, my boys, and keep your powder dry."

KRNR

Mutual Broadcasting System, 1490 Kilocycles.

BEST BETS FOR TODAY

FRIDAY
4:15—Johnson Family.
5:15—Superman.
7:00—Fritzi Zivic vs. Beau Jack.

SATURDAY
10:15—Stop, Look and Listen.
2:00—Navy Bulletin Board.
3:30—Hawaii Calls.
5:45—On Guard with the Coast Guard.

SUNDAY
2:30—The Shadow.
3:00—First Nighter.
4:00—Bulldog Drummond.
5:00—American Forum of the Air.
8:30—Wings Over the West Coast.

(REMAINING HOURS TODAY)

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
4:15—Johnson Family.
4:30—P. T. A.
4:45—Musical Matinee.
5:00—Office of War Information.
5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pep.
5:30—Norman Nesbitt, Studebaker.
5:45—Our Gal Sunday.
6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:30—Treasury Star Parade.
6:50—Copco News.
7:00—Fritzie Zivic vs. Beau Jack Gillette Safety Razors.
8:15—Lone Ranger.
8:45—Music Without Words.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Hi Neighbor, McKean & Carstens.
9:30—Young Dr. Malone.
9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
10:00—Sign Off.

SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 1943

7:00—Rise and Shine.
7:30—State and Local News, Boring Optical.
7:35—Rhapsody in Wax.
8:00—Haven of Rest.
8:30—U. S. Army Band.
9:00—Man About Town.
9:10—Dick Jurgen's Orchestra.
9:30—Here's Music.
9:45—George Duffy's Orchestra.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Stop, Look and Listen.
10:30—Macalester College Choir.
11:00—Lani McIntyre's Orchestra.
11:15—The Pastor's Scrapbook, Dr. Roach, Presbyterian Church.
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—From Rigadoon to Rhumba.
1:30—New Orleans Rakes.
1:45—Rhythm Ensemble.
2:00—Navy Bulletin Board.
3:00—Education Now, Phil Swing.
3:15—Bowling Series.
3:30—Hawaii Calls.
4:00—My People.
4:30—Confidentially Yours.
4:45—Special Award Program.
5:00—American Eagle Club.
5:30—Norman Nesbitt, Studebaker.
5:45—On Guard with Coast Guard.
6:00—Dinner Concert.
6:50—Copco News.
7:00—John B. Hughes, Anacin.
7:15—Song Spinners.
7:30—Just Five Lines.
8:00—Central Point vs Powers Basketball.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Treasury Star Parade, "Fighting Fathers"
9:30—Dance Music.
10:00—Sign off.

SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 1943

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—Romance of Hiways, Greyhound Bus Lines.
10:30—Canary Chorus.
11:00—Baptist Church Services.
12:00—Floyd B. Johnson & King's Ambassadors.
12:30—Madrid Melodiers, Tommy Reynold's Orchestra.
1:00—Lutheran Hour.
1:30—Young People's Church of the Air.
2:00—Armed Forces Salute the Red Cross.
2:30—The Shadow.
3:00—Campana's First Nighter.
3:30—Treasury Star Parade, Bobby Sherwood's Orchestra.
3:45—Augustana College Choir.
4:00—Bulldog Drummond.
4:30—Angelus Hour, Douglas Funeral Home.
5:00—American Forum of the Air.
5:45—Evening Melodies.
6:00—Old Fashioned Revival.
7:00—John B. Hughes.
7:15—Rabbi Magnin.
7:30—Halls of Montezuma.
8:00—Hancock Ensemble.
8:30—Wings Over the West Coast.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Voice of Prophecy.
9:45—Lani McIntyre's Orchestra.
10:00—Old Fashioned Revival.
11:00—Sign Off.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Lakeport, population 1,500, sent 55 residents to San Francisco to donate blood to the Red Cross.

There are no trains; so Lakeport rationing boards allowed supplemental gasoline for the 275-mile round trip; and Lake county supervisors voted to pay for the fuel, as well as bridge tolls.

OUT OUR WAY By J. R. Williams

News of Men From Douglas County In War Service

Ralph E. Hermann, son of Mrs. John Hermann of Roseburg, recently was advanced to motor machinists' mate first class in the U. S. navy. He received an extensive course of training as a diesel engineer at Miami, Florida, and then was transferred to Philadelphia, where he was employed in commissioning a sub chaser. Following a course in a gunnery school in Virginia, he was engaged in active service with the anti-submarine fleet in the Atlantic and Caribbean and is now in service with the Pacific fleet. Prior to entering the navy he was shop foreman with the Roseburg Motor company. His wife, the former Mildred Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Brown of Roseburg, has received a civil service appointment with the U. S. army air forces and is employed in communications at San Diego, following a recent transfer from San Pedro. She formerly was employed in the Roseburg telephone exchange.

Word of the transfer of Clifford Fields from his rank as yeoman in the navy to that of staff sergeant in the marines has just been received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fields, of this city. Clifford Fields enlisted in the navy a few months ago, after being employed in civil service work at Bremerton, Washington, for some time. He is a graduate of Roseburg high school, where he played basketball, and took part in numerous other activities. He played in the Roseburg Municipal band, and was formerly a member of the Oregon national guard company. He is also a graduate of Oregon State college, where he studied commercial courses and was a member of the R. O. T. C. band. For several years previous to his entering civil service, he was employed by the First National bank of Eugene, Oregon. His work in the marines is expected to be chiefly along the lines studied in school and followed in civilian life. At present he is stationed in Three Rivers, North Carolina.

Kenneth "Pat" Padelford, who was a member of a gun crew on the now famous cruiser San Francisco, has been assigned to shore duty, according to word received here. He has been assigned to special work at the magnetic proving grounds at San Francisco.

Gaylord A. Lucas, son of Mrs. Paul Blaskey of Roseburg, has been transferred from Salina, Kansas, to work on the Alcan highway. He is an instructor in maintenance and repair of heavy motorized equipment.

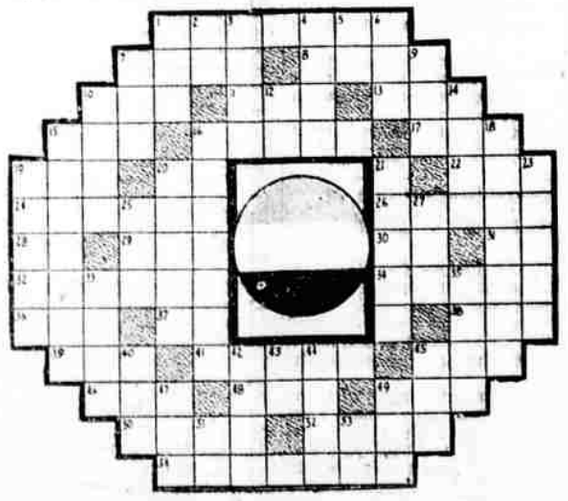
Clyde Hammond, radio technician third class in the U. S. navy, arrived last week in Chicago for specialist training, according to word received here. Former manager of the Shell Oil company service station here, he has been in the navy for the past three months. He was transferred to Chicago from Bremerton. Mrs. Hammond is continuing her residence in Roseburg.

U. S. ARMY INSIGNE

HORIZONTAL
1 Depicted is corps insigne worn by U. S. Army —— Headquarters.
7 Mother (Fr.).
8 Grandparental
10 Wager.
11 Age.
13 Deep hole.
15 Enthusiast (colloq.).
16 Include.
17 Diamond-cutter's cup.
19 Sedan.
20 Steamship (abbr.).
22 Soft mass.
24 Turns aside.
26 Slow (music).
28 Volume.
29 Exist.
30 Any.
31 Music note.
32 Jail.
34 Step.
36 Weight of India.
37 Pint (abbr.).
38 Genus of cattle.
39 Spot.
41 Stop.
45 Place.
46 Insect egg.
48 Bustle.
49 Perched.
50 Two of a kind.
52 Seines.
54 This —— is worn on the sleeve just below the shoulder.

VERTICAL
1 Obtain.
2 Symbol for erbium.
3 Require.
4 Rajah's wife.
5 Average (abbr.).
6 Fold.
7 Males.
9 Cover.
10 Nude.
12 Mystic syllable.
14 Village.
15 Facilitated.
16 Consents.
18 One who loves his country.
19 Where soldiers are trained.
20 Razor strap.
21 Cut.
23 Performers.
25 Short-napped fabric.
27 Entomology (abbr.).
33 Metal.
35 Touch.
40 Tilt.
42 Sailors.
43 Paid notice.
44 Not short.
45 Dance step.
47 Japanese porgy.
49 Sainte (abbr.)
51 Within.
53 Half an em.

Answer to Previous Puzzle



S. P. Gets Help Of White Collar Men in Track Job

The patriotic response of business men, students, farmers and others to Southern Pacific's appeal for weekend track labor will help to relieve the acute shortage in maintenance of way forces, but thousands of full-time workers are still needed to keep the company's lines in condition for handling war traffic.

This was announced today by W. H. Kirkbride, chief engineer for the railroad, following the latest checkup of results obtained in the company's widespread campaign to recruit "white collar" men for sparetime employment on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

For the holiday weekend of February 20 to 22, approximately 3300 man days were rolled up by the white collar trackmen on Southern Pacific's lines in the west, in spite of inclement weather in many sections, Kirkbride reported. Figures for the weekend of February 27-28 are not yet available but they are expected to be considerably larger, he said.

Veteran section foremen say the business men, students and co-workers are "doing a fine job" in the emergency confronting the railroad, and that the response to the call for weekend workers has been excellent in most cases. For their part, the spare-time trackmen agree that "toughening up" is a good thing these days, especially when they can help the war effort at the same time. Besides, wages for a week-end's track work go a long way toward buying an extra war bond.

Nazarenes Here Vote To Retain Minister

The Rev. Leonard T. Hannon was retained as pastor of the local church of the Nazarene at the annual election meeting of the congregation this week, receiving a unanimous vote. The meeting was conducted by Dr. E. E. Martin, district superintendent, who advised the congregation concerning steps to be taken for needed repairs and improvements to the church building. He also addressed the congregation on the subject, "How To Meet The Present Crisis."

Camas Valley

Bonny Jean Standley is home from Portland with an injured hand. She has been working in the shipyards. As soon as she is able to go back to work she and Dorothy are both going to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Markham have just received a letter from their son, Jack Markham, "somewhere in the Pacific", that he is well and getting along fine. They had not heard from him for over a month.

R. W. Dick received word lately from his two sons in the service. Mack is now in Georgia and Bruce "somewhere in Africa."

Mrs. Case of Klamath Falls is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Philip Standley.

Mrs. H. Brown, who is employed in Roseburg at the Mobil Gas Co. office, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Brown. Howard is working in the shipyards in Portland.

Harold Denn is here from Portland, visiting his grandparents Mrs. Ada J. and J. P. Denn.

Concerning the NORTHWEST As Viewed at the National Capital

By John W. Kelly

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 5.—The reason the limit was lifted from wheat production, growers of the Inland empire may as well know, was because the department of agriculture believed that the wheat men would not vote favorably again for allotment control as they have in the past. Wheat control had become so acute that a farmer who fed any surplus grain that he raised above his allotment to his cattle and then shipped the cattle was guilty of violating interstate commerce laws, the supreme court so holding a few months ago. That regulation is abolished by the new order which tells the farmer that the sky is the limit and to plant all the wheat his heart desires.

With a wheat crop last year that caused growers trouble in finding materials with which to build warehouses (many were forced to leave their wheat exposed, unsheltered, on the ground) it was calculated that there was enough of this grain on hand to supply the nation for two years if not another acre was cultivated. That surplus has dwindled. Millions of bushels on which government loans had been made were used to feed livestock. More millions of bushels will be required for the distillation of alochol. The food rationing brings wheat, flour and bread prominently into the picture, although the housewife is not rationed (yet) on bread. With so many customary foods rationed, increased dependence is placed upon wheat and its various byproducts from cereals to macaroni. Also, there is a shortage of feed for poultry, as the hens increase. Northwest flouring mills should anticipate a good business; the temporary warehouses erected last fall will be emptied of every bushel.

Government agencies have made little headway in turning Inland empire farmers from growing wheat to raising tomatoes or other war crops. The farmers still prefer wheat and most of them have equipment for this crop, but there will still be need for more tractors, cultivators, etc., in the wheat lands this year. The need will be there whether or not it is supplied.

Stalin Major Enigma

Almost any upper case official in the national capital will admit, off the record, that Joe Stalin is an enigma. There are a few members of congress who make the statement publicly, such as Montana's Wheeler. In almost any office on "the hill" the question is asked: "What does Stalin want and what does he intend doing?" Of the Big Four who sit at the peace table there is a fairly clear opinion of what three will do, but not Stalin. Chiang Kai-shek will want to rebuild the Chinese republic; Winston Churchill says he does not intend liquidating the British empire (which nullifies the four freedoms of the Atlantic charter); Uncle Sam will do as he has always done, which is give away his shirt, but Stalin has indicated no hint of his demands.

American military observers know what the British are doing, what China is doing; but no military observer, British or American, has been permitted to see the soviet war plans. Led by Vice President Wallace, a number of administration officials have made speeches on what the United States should do at the conference and they have been told that before Uncle Sam is made a Santa Claus they should inquire what Stalin will do. The Wallace post-war program is being sharply criticized.

Many thousands of airplanes and many thousand tanks and other war material have been shipped to Russia under lend-lease. It is arriving now almost 100 per cent, according to E. R. Stettinius, although last year more than 50 per cent was sunk by German submarines and bombers. More food is going to Russia than to any other of the allies and Food Administrator Wickard says this American contribution has been an important factor in helping the red army. Stalin makes no mention of war or food supplies and says the red army is fighting alone; he continues to demand a "second front," and while Mr. Roosevelt and Churchill think the north Africa invasion is a second front, Stalin disagrees. Stalin's non-attendance at the Casablanca conference was a bitter disappointment to the president and prime minister—he simply ignored them again.

Rev. V. Howell Taken by Death

The Rev. Virgil Howell, 63, died Thursday at Mercy hospital following a short illness. Born in Alsea, Oregon, Feb. 22, 1880, he was married to Miss Lucy Caroline McGee at Corvallis, Feb. 26, 1904. He was a minister of the Free Methodist church for the past 15 years. He had made his home at Sutherlin since last November.

Surviving are the widow and the following sons and daughters, Rev. R. W. Howell, Spokane; Mrs. C. D. Cathey, Sandy, Ore.,; Mrs. William Anderson, Toledo, Mrs. L. L. Miller, Portland; Mrs. Neva Faulkner, Sutherlin; Howard A. Howell, Camp Adair; Rev. E. J. Howell, Tillamook; Mrs. A. J. Day, Waldport; Mrs. Rebut Gourley, Florence, and Mrs. L. L. Perkins, Superior, Wis. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. A. B. Bennett, Milwaukie, Ore., and a brother, Albert Howell, Hillsboro.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Monday at the Presbyterian church at Waldport, Rev. C. B. Sterkey officiating. Interment will follow in the Waldport Alder Grove cemetery. Arrangements are in charge of Stearns mortuary, Oakland.

Roseburg Men Named as Boy Scout Directors

EUGENE, Ore., March 4—(AP)—Dr. J. F. Cramer, Eugene city school superintendent, took office this week as president of the Wallamet area council of Boy Scouts, after the results of a mail ballot of scout leaders were tabulated.

Other officers elected were Fred McHenry, Corvallis, vice-president; Clarence Lombard, Eugene, treasurer; George Flint, Eugene, scout commissioner.

Among directors chosen were: Dr. R. M. Peffer, Elmo Stevenson, Wilbur Simmons, Ray DeMoss, H. A. Scullen, Corvallis; Robert Pittam, North Bend; Bruce C. Elliott, W. H. Gerretsen, Chester Morgan, Roseburg.

Play to be Presented By Yoncalla Students

YONCALLA, Ore., March 4.—The Yoncalla high school student body will present the play, "Aunt Samanthy Rules the Roost," Friday evening, March 5, at 8. The cast was picked from the entire student body and all have had previous experience in dramatic work.

Following are the players: Wayne Phillips, Albert Smith, Jeanne Lunney, Evelyn Geider, Wayne Rice, Willard Williams, Fannie Phillips, Patricia Beuttel, Betty McGinitie, William McKern, Doris Kingery, Don Atkinson is stage manager. Miss Heath and Mr. Thomas are directing the performance.

Ration Dates and Data

SUGAR—Stamp No. 11 in Ration Book No. 1, good for three pounds, expires March 15. Stamp No. 12, good for five pounds valid March 16 through to end of May.

COFFEE—Stamp No. 25, in Ration Book No. 1, good for one pound, expires March 21.

GASOLINE—No. 4 stamps in A book expire March 21.

C AND B BOOKS—Must be returned to ration board within 10 days after expiration date. Forms for renewal obtainable at service stations. Books containing unused coupons or covers of exhausted books must be returned with application.

TIRES—Class A—First inspection deadline March 31.

FUEL OIL—Period 4 coupons expire April 6.

INSTITUTIONAL FOOD USERS—Must register with local rationing board between dates of March 1 and 10.

RATION BOOK NO. 2—Applicants not listed in original registration may submit applications on and after March 15.

FIGHT BROADCAST
Friday, 7:00 P. M.
FRITZI ZIVIC vs. BEAU JACK
12 Rounds, Madison Square Garden
TUNE
KRNR - - - 1490