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Hankow railroad, which is more than 100 miles DOWN the Yangtze from the Jap base at Ichang.

This, if true, is highly important, as it means that by cutting the river transport line (railroads and highways are few and far between in this part of China) the Japs at Ichang may be cut off.

There are indications that the Chinese may be headed toward the big air base at Changsha, which the Chinese built for US to use against Japan but which the Japs took.

THERE'S still nothing much but rumors from Europe. The rumors, however, have taken a new turn.

Yugoslav General Mihailovic's guerrillas are said to have surged up in such force as to have compelled the Germans to abandon 1200 square miles of territory.

London reports the Jews rising in Poland, with TERRIBLE consequences to themselves—2000 of them shot by the Germans, 3000 burned to death, etc.

At least, these rumors give us a glimpse of what the Germans will be up against if and when.

THE Russians raise to 162 their figure on the number of planes they shot out of the 500-plane armada the Germans sent against them—a truly staggering percentage.

FOUR times now the British fleet has shelled the Italian fortress island of Pantelleria with NO COMEBACK from axis forces—although for weeks the Berlin radio has been boasting the Italian fleet is all set and ready to steam into battle at a moment's notice.

If you want to know why Pantelleria is so important, take a look at your map and try to figure out how you'd get ships through the Sicilian strait to Suez as long as the Germans and Italians hold this Malta-like fortified rock.

We've GOT to take Pantelleria—and we'll do it one of these days.

OUR army cost at Attu (navy casualties not included) is announced as 342 dead, 1135 wounded and 58 missing up to midnight Tuesday.

Contrast this with the 1791 Jap bodies so far counted. Then remember that WE were attacking and the JAPS defending and the normal (before this war) ratio was three attacker casualties to ONE defender. So far at Attu we've killed at least five Japs (probably many more) for each American soldier who lost his life.

There's nothing wrong with the quality of our men on the fighting fronts. If anything's wrong, it's among the stay-at-homes.

THE coal strike on the home front is at an end, at least until June 20.

Don't be too hard on the miners, who for a decade and a half have been told by the demagogue politicians that they owe their country NOTHING and that the country owes them EVERYTHING—that the citizen's relation to his government is all

PROTECTION FOR MOTORISTS

EDITORIAL

By Charles V. Stanton

SOME automobile owners apparently are confused by statements concerning the Oregon Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility law, which goes into effect Wednesday, June 9.

The purpose of the law is simple. It was passed to afford protection to the responsible motorist. Records show that during 1942 there were 70,000 Oregonians involved in automobile accidents.

After June 9 each party to an automobile accident, whether at fault or not, must immediately report the accident to the police authorities and also furnish proof of financial responsibility.

It is not required that he have an insurance policy. He can, if he prefers, furnish a surety bond or make a cash deposit of \$11,000 to be held for an indefinite time pending settlement of damage claims.

If he fails to show such proof of financial responsibility, the secretary of state is instructed to suspend the operator's license and all registration certificates of the owner, "unless and until he has furnished, and thereafter maintains, proof of financial responsibility."

Proof is not required to be furnished until after an accident occurs. Some drivers may hope to avoid accidents and, in the strength of their optimism, fail to provide themselves with protection. If they are fortunate enough to escape a wreck, they are indeed lucky.

The law is designed to weed out the irresponsible drivers. A good many lives probably will be lost and much damage caused before they are all off the road, but the continued operation of the law would eventually insure possibility for persons suffering injury or damage in automobile accident to obtain financial redress.

While on the subject of insurance, it might be well to answer the question a great many people have been asking since the Roseburg fire department's excellent run to Sutherland Saturday night. We have had many people ask why the fire department can go to neighboring towns, but cannot go a block outside the city limits when a building is on fire just beyond the municipal boundary?

The answer is: insurance. All members of the fire department are protected under the industrial accident feature of the workmen's compensation law. The regulations provide that fire departments of one municipality may go to the aid of another and the protection for firemen is in force while en route as well as while engaged in fighting fire. The same applies to property under protection through a contract with the city for service outside the limits. If, however, the fire department goes into territory which has no contract or municipal organization, the workmen's compensation coverage is invalidated.

TAKE and NO PUT. The miners are merely going after what the demagogues have been telling them is their DUE.

Escaped Oregon Convict Captured

La GRANDE, Ore., June 7 (AP)—After a wild chase in a stolen car, George Durham, 33-year-old escapee of Oregon state penitentiary, was captured Sunday by Oregon state police, 10 miles east of La Grande.

Durham was reportedly traveling in a car he had stolen in Pendleton, and had in his possession two \$1000 war bonds and a \$25 bond, stolen in Portland, sometime after his escape from the penitentiary May 28 in Salem.

Durham was sent to the penitentiary on May 17, 1938, to serve ten years for receiving stolen property and being in possession of a gun.

He was carrying a revolver when arrested near La Grande.

J. R. Scott, Pioneer of Scottsburg, Passes On

J. R. Scott, 83, Scottsburg pioneer, died June 3 at the North Bend hospital, where he had been a patient for the past year. Born in Scottsburg, he had been a life-long resident of Oregon. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Earl Phillips, North Bend, and a son, J. R. Scott, Creswell.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

Kermit Roosevelt, Teddy's Son, Dies In Army Service

WASHINGTON, June 7.—(AP)—Major Kermit Roosevelt, 53, son of President Theodore Roosevelt, died June 4 in Alaska, the war department announced Saturday.

No information was available immediately at the department on the cause of death, nor was Roosevelt's assignment at the time of death immediately available.

Roosevelt served in the British army before the United States entered this war, repeating his actions in the first world war, when he served with the British, then transferred to the United States army when the United States became involved.

Two other sons of the former president now are on active duty with the army. They are Brigadier General Theodore Roosevelt Jr., in north Africa, and Major Archibald Roosevelt in the Pacific area. A fourth son, Quentin Roosevelt, died in action in the first world war while serving as a flier.



By SUSAN Return Here—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Houser have returned to their home in this city, following a short visit with relatives and friends in Eugene.

Liquor Ration Cut To Pint a Week

PORTLAND, Ore., June 7.—(AP)—More drastic rationing of liquor, considered inevitable for several weeks as Oregon's supplies dwindled, became a fact after the close of business Saturday and henceforth each purchaser will be limited to one pint a week, or a quart or fifth in two weeks, of any spirituous liquor.

Although an Oregon customer may buy a full quart or fifth of liquor at one time, the two-weeks ration is not cumulative. That is, the customer may not skip a week and buy a quart the next week. A week gone is gone forever. A quart or fifth bought one week cancels the following week. But he may buy a pint each week.

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 7.—(AP)—Liquor rationing quotas were cut in half today and liquor stores will sell one pint of whiskey or gin to a consumer per week instead of a quart as has been previously allowed permit holders.

Oregon and Montana boards are introducing similar rations. British Columbia limits purchases to 15 ounces a month, and Idaho allows a quart per week.

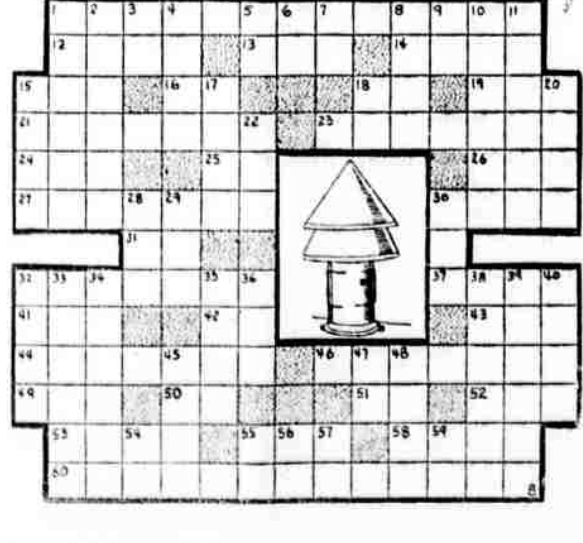
Shoe Ration Stamp 18 Not Good Before June 16

Reports coming into the shoe rationing division of the district OPA brought a warning that stamp number 18 in war ration book 1 does not become effective for the purchase of a pair of shoes until June 16.

Shoe dealers who accept stamp 18 before the valid date are violating the wartime rationing regulations governing this item. OPA officials declared, as are also persons who offer stamp 18 to a dealer before June 16. Stamp number 17 in book one is valid for one pair of shoes through June 15.

WARNING DEVICE

Word puzzle grid with clues for horizontal and vertical words. Includes words like MARGO, OCEAN, DELL, etc.



KRNR Mutual Broadcasting System, 1490 Kilocycles. BEST BETS FOR TODAY MONDAY 6:30—Mediation Board. 7:15—Eye Witness News. 8:00—Bulldog Drummond. 8:30—Double or Nothing.

Four Die in Oregon Mishaps Over Weekend (By the Associated Press) Four fatalities were recorded in Oregon over the weekend, three of them from highway mishaps.

WEDNESDAY LUM and ABNER in their funniest TWO WEEKS TO LIVE

SEE the Automobile Accident Prevention Association of Oregon's announcement on page 4. Then call on Douglas Abstract Company and get a full digest of the law and information.

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