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FACTS ABOUT TRAIN SERVICE

EDITORIAL

By Charles V. Stanton

WE have before us a very attractively prepared and printed statement by F. S. McGinnis, vice president of the Southern Pacific company. His statement is entitled "The Facts About Southern Oregon Train Service." The only criticism we have of the title is that it should have been "Some of the Facts About Southern Oregon Train Service."

The statement is a carefully worded explanation attempting to justify the totally inadequate and miserable train service given the Southern Oregon territory. It apparently was mailed out to thousands of persons, who, ignorant of the facts which Mr. McGinnis DOES NOT mention, might be led to believe there is some measure of excuse for the Southern Pacific company's treatment of this vast empire over which it holds a transportation monopoly.

Mr. McGinnis goes into great detail concerning the degrees of grade and curvature between the Cascade and Siskiyou lines to show the great saving in operating costs resulting from running trains over the Siskiyou line where there is allegedly less need for helper service and where such service can be more efficiently used.

He does not mention the fact that the amount of money spent to build the Siskiyou line, for the purpose of taking business from a COMPETING railroad, would, had it been spent in improving the Cascade line, have furnished a roadbed fully equal to the route the Southern Pacific company so highly extols.

"On the Siskiyou line overnight passenger train service with sleeping cars is provided daily between Portland and Ashland. Passenger service between points on the Siskiyou line and California is provided by buses which connect with trains at Dunsuir," Mr. McGinnis reports.

Particular attention should be given that word "connect." Mr. McGinnis does not mention that simultaneously with the elimination of through passenger service, train and bus schedules were systematically arranged so that NO CONNECTION could be made at any points without delays and long waits. He does not tell how one schedule was arranged so that the train arrived just 20 minutes after the bus departed. Nor does he tell how schedules were juggled to force northbound passengers from California to go to Eugene and return south to Southern Oregon by bus so the Southern Pacific could get the advantage of the longer travel involved.

Nor does he tell how the Southern Pacific company for years and year cudgeled the City of Roseburg by threats to move the terminal, as in the case of the attempt to secure a crossing and construct a bridge to Umpqua park. The Southern Pacific company held forth promises of extensive expansion of its sidings and switching yards and threatened removal of its terminal if the project was insisted upon. Roseburg, spinelessly, dropped the matter. But did the Southern Pacific company give the City of Roseburg any consideration when it decided to move its terminal? Certainly not. When the company was READY to move, IT MOVED.

"In recent years there has been a substantial industrial development in Southern Oregon in connection with lumber mills, and we have assisted these industries in finding locations and working out their problems," Mr. McGinnis asserts.

That sounds fine. But who, Mr. McGinnis, when the Kendall Brothers were in the heyday of their industrial success and projected a railroad to their North Umpqua timber holdings and the city of Roseburg voted bonds to assist, blocked THAT project?

The Youngs Bay Lumber company, affiliated with the DeLense Plants Agency, is building a \$650,000 mill east of Roseburg. Millions of dollars worth of wood products will come from that plant and the plywood plant which will share the site when priorities make it possible to install the factory. But who is building the spur track? The Southern Pacific company furnished engineering details of a preliminary survey, and will construct a switch and put in a few feet of track, but it is costing the Peninsula Plywood company and the Youngs Bay Lumber company \$150,000 to construct the spur track which will deliver business to the Southern Pacific company. Yet there are a great many spur tracks in industrial centers where there is rail competition which have been built at the expense of the railroad company.

A great deal of Mr. McGinnis' statement is devoted to the Southern Pacific company's outstanding accomplishments in war transportation. The company has every right to be proud of that achievement. It has set transportation history.

But we have a right to demand that the Southern Pacific company, following the war, shall establish services and rates comparable to those areas in which it has competition. We have a right to demand that schedules be maintained to stimulate rather than discourage passenger travel in Southern Oregon. We also have a right to demand that statements be truthful. The public, for instance, should be told that the failure of the Southern Pacific company to obtain a profit from passenger revenue was due to inadequate service rather than extremes of roadbed grade and curvature.

he's up to
 These Jap reconnaissance planes are SCOUTING US.

CORRESPONDENT NORMAN BELL, writing from the Aleutians, says the Japs are believed to be frantically building defenses in their home land and in the Kurile islands against a possible American thrust by way of the Aleutian short route.

He adds that they left signs reading "We will come back and KILL" behind them at Kiska and mentions the possibility that they may try a sea or amphibious combined land and water thrust at us by way of HITTING FIRST.

ADMIRAL GREENSLADE, speaking in San Francisco, chips in truculently:
 "If the Japs persist in keeping

their main fleet safely at home, we'll bite into them in their mandated islands."

It is only natural that in observations of Navy day the war against Japan should be the principal topic. Our war in the Pacific is outstandingly our NAVY'S war, and the navy knows it.

CHICKENS EAT MUSKRAT

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP)—Chickens, unlike most people, like to dine on the lowly muskrat.

A farm woman found her chickens were not getting enough animal protein in their feed, ground up 500 dried muskrat and mixed it in with the rest of her flock's rations.

Mrs. Anna K. Enger Dies in California

Mrs. Anna K. Enger, 66, for many years a resident of Roseburg, died recently at her home in Bakersfield, California, following a prolonged illness, according to word received here today. Born in Aurora, Oregon, she spent a number of years in Roseburg, where her husband, the late John Enger served as Southern Pacific company trainmaster. Mr. and Mrs. Enger went to Bakersfield in 1926, where he was engaged in the real estate business until his death a few years ago.

Mrs. Enger was a member of the Eastern Star and Wimodausis. Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Lillian Larke, Salem, Ore., and Mrs. Mamie Enger, Bakersfield, and four brothers, Otto Miller, Hubbard; George Miller, Portland; Edward Miller, Salem, and William Miller, Sacramento.

Mrs. Beulah C. Hudson, Christian Science reader, conducted funeral services at a Bakersfield mortuary. Interment was in Greenlawn Memorial park.

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BEST BETS FOR TODAY

- 6:00—Chicago Theatre of the Air.
- 8:30—Halls of Montezuma.
- SUNDAY**
- 2:30—The Shadow.
- 3:00—Anniversary of Hollywood Canteen.
- 6:00—Cleveland Symphony.
- 7:45—Rocking Horse Rhythm.
- 8:00—Hawaii Calls.
- 8:30—Wings Over the West Coast.

MONDAY

- 2:15—Welcome Inn.
- 8:00—Sherlock Holmes.
- 8:30—Point Sublime.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

- 4:15—Melodie Varieties.
- 5:00—Alvino Rey's Orchestra.
- 5:15—Music Off the Record.
- 5:30—Moods in Music.
- 5:45—Norman Nesbitt News, Studebaker.
- 6:00—Chicago Theatre.
- 7:00—John B. Hughes, Anacin.
- 7:15—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.
- 7:20—Saturday Night Bonwagon.
- 7:45—5th Anniversary of the Wage and Hour Bill.
- 8:00—T. B. A.
- 8:15—Jack Teagarden's Orchestra.
- 8:30—Halls of Montezuma.
- 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
- 9:15—Round-Up in the Sky, E. G. High.
- 9:30—Faces and Places, Vicks Products.
- 9:45—Johnny Messner's Orchestra.
- 10:00—Sign Off.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

- 6:00—Wesley Radio League.
- 6:30—Voice of Prophecy.
- 9:00—Detroit Bible Class.
- 9:30—Organ Chimes, Presbyterian Church.
- 9:45—Songs for Sunday.
- 10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
- 10:15—Romance of the Highways, Greyhound.
- 10:30—Here's Mexico.
- 11:00—Baptist Church Services.
- 12:00—This Is Fort Dix.
- 12:15—Voice of the Dairy Farmer, American Dairy Assn.
- 12:30—Floyd B. Johnson.
- 1:00—Lutheran Hour.
- 1:30—Young People's Church of the Air.

LATE BULGARIAN KING

HORIZONTAL

- 15 Pictured late ruler of Bulgaria
- 19 Game
- 11 Fields of action
- 13 Measuring word
- 14 Stood away
- 15 Exits
- 17 Upward
- 18 Mother
- 20 South African dialect
- 21 Hinder
- 22 Fiber knots
- 24 Be erect
- 26 Deficiency
- 27 Otherwise
- 29 Period of time
- 30 Statute
- 31 Any
- 32 Flat plate
- 33 Narrated
- 35 Stopped
- 38 Male sleep (pl.)
- 39 Type measure
- 41 Born
- 42 Belong to it
- 43 Exits
- 45 Doctor of Medicine (abbr.)
- 46 Myself
- 48 Units of electrical resistance
- 50 Sulphur-copper alloy
- 55 His capital was at
- 57 Clay
- 58 Child



VERTICAL

- 1 Mountain
- 2 Separate

- 2:00—Gospel Messages, Church of Christ.
- 2:15—Treasury Star Parade, featuring College Songs of the East.
- 2:30—The Shadow.
- 3:00—First Anniversary Program of the Hollywood Canteen.
- 3:00—Four-Square Gospel Church.
- 4:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour.
- 5:00—Mediation Board.
- 5:45—Gabriel Heatter, Barbasol.
- 6:00—Cleveland Symphony.
- 7:00—John B. Hughes.
- 7:15—Treasury Star Parade, starring Ward Wilson in "Elementary, My Dear McGarry."
- 7:30—The Charlieeters.
- 7:45—Rocking Horse Rhythm, Chooz.
- 8:00—Hawaii Calls.
- 8:30—Wings Over the West Coast.
- 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
- 9:15—Jimmy Dorsey's Orchestra.
- 9:30—Hancock Ensemble.
- 10:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour.
- 11:00—Sign off.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

- 6:45—Rise and Shine.
- 7:00—News, Los Angeles Soap Co.
- 7:15—Stuff and Nonsense.
- 7:25—Al's Roseburg Auction.
- 7:30—State and Local News, Boring Optical.
- 7:35—Judd Furniture Store.
- 7:40—Rhapsody in Wax.
- 8:00—Dr. Louis B. Talbot, Bible Institute.
- 8:30—Happy Joe and Ralph.
- 8:45—Round-Up in the Sky, E. G. High.
- 9:00—Bonke Carter.
- 9:15—Man About Town, Josse Furniture.
- 9:20—Moment Musicale.
- 9:30—Top of the Morning, Henninger's Marts.
- 9:45—Melodie Varieties.
- 10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
- 10:15—Shoppers Guide.
- 10:30—Luncheon With Lopez.
- 11:00—Wheel of Fortune.
- 11:45—Music Off the Record.
- 12:00—Musical Interlude.
- 12:10—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer.
- 12:20—Parkinson's Information Exchange.
- 12:25—Rhythm at Random.
- 12:40—State News, Hansen Motors.
- 12:45—News-Review of the Air.
- 12:55—Terminal Market Reports, Sig Fett.
- 1:00—Harrison Wood, Grove's Laboratories.
- 1:15—Salvation Army.
- 1:30—Full Speed Ahead.
- 2:00—Ray Day, News Analyst.
- 2:15—Welcome Inn, G. W. Young & Son.
- 2:30—The Dream House of Melody.
- 3:00—Phillip Keyne-Gordon.
- 3:15—Radio Tour.
- 3:30—World's Front Page.
- 3:45—Rendezvous With Rhythm.
- 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
- 4:15—Johnson Family.
- 4:30—Army Air Forces.
- 5:00—Moods in Music.
- 5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pep.
- 5:30—Sophisticated Melodies.
- 5:45—Norman Nesbitt News, Studebaker.
- 6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Kremel.
- 6:15—Grace Fields, Pall Mall Cigarettes.
- 6:30—Bill Gray's Show.
- 7:00—Raymond Clapper, White Owl.
- 7:15—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.
- 7:20—Musical Interlude.
- 7:30—Lone Ranger.
- 8:00—Sherlock Holmes.
- 8:30—Point Sublime, Union Oil Co.
- 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.



By SUSAN

A special half-hour show is coming your way Sunday afternoon at 3 that should be very super—it's the first anniversary of the Hollywood Canteen and will boast a four-star cast such as you couldn't hear under most any other circumstances. Bette Davis will appear on the program, so will Leopold Stokowski, and the one and only Charles Thomas will serve as master of ceremonies. Voice of the Dairy Farmer returns to the air at 12:15—that's the fifteen-minute news commentary you had last winter and it was very good. C. Oscar Franck's Symphony in D Minor will be the piece de resistance served up by the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra at 6 in the evening. Also included in the menu will be "Music from a Scene from Shelley" and the march from the incidental music of "Ruins of Athens" completes the hour's broadcast.

By the way, don't forget there's another half-hour of fine music at 9:30 in the evening when the Hancock Ensemble presents its program. And for those of you who prefer other than the classics there's Rocking Horse Rhythm at 7:45, Hawaii Calls at 8, Wings Over the West Coast at 8:30 and a touch of Jimmy Dorsey's music at 9:15 following the news. Just one reminder for next Monday evening—it's the first performance of the new show "Point Sublime" at 8:30. Also on Monday evening we have that master sleuth, Sherlock Holmes, with us again—this time at 8. So—good listening over the weekend, friends.

E. W. Haas, Ex-Member Of Pharmacy Body, Dies

SHERIDAN, Ore., Oct. 30 (AP)—Ernest W. Haas, 63, pioneer Sheridan druggist, died here Wednesday.

A graduate of Willamette university, he was appointed to the

9:15—Hi Neighbor, Carstens Furniture Store.

9:30—General Barrows, Union Oil Co.

9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.

10:00—Sign Off.

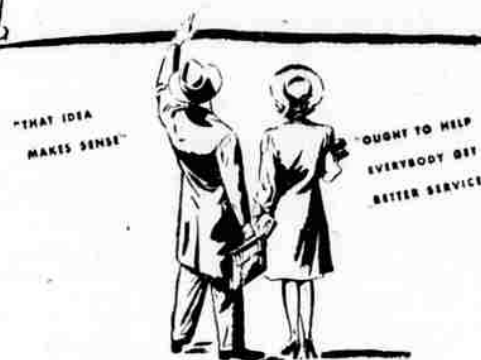
state board of pharmacy in 1937 by ex-Governor Martin. He served as Sheridan city treasurer, school board member, and as noble grand and district deputy grand master of Oregon Odd Fellows. The widow and two daughters survive.



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