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THE ARMY NEWS MONOPOLY

By Charles V. Stanton

It is extremely difficult at times to resist the temptation to become an armchair general. It is so easy to criticize the strategy being employed on the war fronts or to attempt an "expert" analysis of tactics. The flow of opinion from radio and newspaper commentators and editorial writers offers about as many views as there are observers, while few agree as to facts and trends.

We note in editorial opinions of our exchanges considerable criticism of the situation in Italy where progress has been disappointing to the general public. Some writers are finding fault with strategy and tactics. A good many seem to be of the same opinion as the soldier who wrote recently to the editor of *Colliers* magazine, stating, in effect that allied generals were fighting the campaign according to rules laid down in the book of strategy and it was evident the Germans had read the same book.

But, yielding to the urge to do a little "experting," we believe the present Italian campaign is going "according to plan" and is a move in a giant strategic plot which has defeat of the axis as the assured outcome.

We are not concerned so much with the issue itself, however, as with the fact that all the second guessing of commentators and editors would be unnecessary and the public could be saved much anxiety and confusion if officialdom would only provide the information to which we are entitled.

If our leading military authorities would tell the public the Italian campaign is serving the purpose for which it is intended and slow progress, hard fighting and old-style, solid-front tactics are all a part of a pre-conceived plan of action, the nation would be given needed assurance. Or, on the other hand, we could absorb news that the campaign has so far failed of its purpose, that we bit off more than we can chew satisfactorily and that we must expect heavy losses until we can make needed corrections. Official statements would at least serve to focus comment and avoid confusion now resulting from scores of divergent, unofficial opinions.

But, instead of giving the public an intimate picture of the campaign, military authorities are clamping still further controls upon the news, for, according to dispatches from London, orders have been issued that correspondents may not use on-the-spot facilities for transmission of their stories, but must send copy back by courier service for censorship at base headquarters.

General Mark Clark's command is said to have taken this action because "of annoyance caused by some press dispatches concerning the beachhead operation."

Particular criticism centered around news reports calling the beachhead "another Tobruk or Dunkirk."

If, instead of attempting to bridge the news correspondents and keep the folks back home from knowing what their boys are up against in Italy, the military authorities would give us official statements in which we could have full confidence, regardless of whether the news is good or bad, analysts, commentators and armchair generals would at least have something tangible to discuss instead of making wild guesses.

But, as pointed out by the editor of *Saturday Evening Post*, the army contends in an official publication that "news is not the sacred property of the press." Because the armed services make the news, they have a vested interest in the reporting and editing of the news, the army declares.

If this interpretation is to be maintained, then freedom of the press will soon be as dead as a Rooseveltian "Balance the Budget" promise.

Vandalism Hits Churches in N. Y.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21 (AP)—Doors and stone walls of St. Patrick's cathedral in midtown Manhattan were found smeared Friday with designs crudely drawn with bright red paint.

Police said the designs were in the shape of question marks with diagonal lines running through them. Other observers said the designs resembled the hammer and sickles emblem of the communist party.

In recent weeks vandals have inflicted damage on religious centers in other sections of the city. Gravestones have been overturned in cemeteries and churches entered and desecrated.

Two 12-year-old boys were blamed by police last night for \$15,000 damage to the BaySide All Saints Episcopal church. The youngsters carried a snowball fight into the church, police said, finally pitching hymnals and Bibles at each other and breaking windows, light bulbs and altar adornments.



By SUSAN

Earth, it's wonderful—the power of the press. Did we hear "Wagon Wheels" last Monday? And did we like it? Thanks a lot, Chuck. It was swell. In case the rest of you don't know what we're talking about, it's the half-hour show on Monday nights at 8 with Chuck and the Bank-house Boys—and we must say they're very gracious about doing request numbers. So, if you have any special western tunes you'd like to hear, just send in a request and you'll hear them very shortly. We might add that Bob

is a swell fiddler—and he's glad to do requests, too. The other three "don't miss" spots on Monday night are Paul and Jerry at 6:30, Point Sublime at 8:30, and on the 10 o'clock spot, Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson. This week the arch-enemy, Dr. Moriack, will be on hand, too, so don't turn off 1,000 from force of habit at 10 o'clock on Monday evenings after this—just hold on for one of the best mystery shows on the air.

Can't tell you why Gabe Heatter should pop in to mind right at this point, but we are reminded to remind you that if you don't hear him each evening at 6, to our mind (?) you are missing the best commentary of the whole day's procession. We didn't say so. Glenn Hardy still holds number one spot there—but when it comes to news comments we like Heatter, mostly because he has a trick of holding your attention, and it's so easy to let your mind wander when they go droning along.

Yoncalla High Exceeds Goal in Bond Drive

YONCALLA The Yoncalla high school bond drive, which started January 27 and ended Feb. 17, was a great success. Mrs. Barbara Houser, chairman, assisted by Patty Beutell, Virginia Shapiro, Aaron Baldwin and Jack McDaniel set their goal for \$1,000. However they reached the grand total of \$6,300. A bond rally was held in the high school gym Thursday evening. Sergeant Stanley showed army films and Lieutenant Taggart, commander of the Eugene filter area, spoke. The rest of the program consisted of musical numbers, readings and skits by local talent.

In 1943 mass production in the aircraft industry reached the stage where seven men did what it took 70 to do in 1940.

OUT OUR WAY



By J. R. Williams

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BEST BETS FOR TODAY

- MONDAY**
 6:30—Paul and Jerry.
 8:00—Chuck and Jack.
 8:30—Point Sublime.
 10:00—Sherlock Holmes.
- TUESDAY**
 9:55—Strictly Personal.
 1:30—Full Speed Ahead.
 4:30—Lullaby in Rhythm.
 6:00—Gabriel Heatter.
 6:30—Music You Remember.
 7:30—San Quentin on the Air.
 8:00—Eye Witness News.
 8:30—Sinfonietta.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

- 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
 4:15—Music Off the Record.
 4:30—Lullaby in Rhythm.
 4:45—Treasury Star Parade, starring Peter Donald, in "Secret Weapon."
 5:00—Moods in Music.
 5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pop.
 5:30—Musical Cocktail.
 5:45—Gordon Burke News, Studebaker.
 6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Kreml.
 6:15—Believe It or Not, Pall Mall Cigarettes.
 6:30—Paul Winchell and Jerry Mahoney.
 7:00—Henry Gladstone.
 7:15—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.
 7:20—Musical Interlude.
 7:30—Lone Ranger.
 8:00—Chuck and Jack.
 8:30—Point Sublime, Union Oil Co.
 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
 9:15—Hi Neighbor, Carstens Furniture Store.
 9:30—Buddy Cole at the Organ.
 9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
 10:00—Sherlock Holmes, Petri Wine Co.
 10:30—Sign off.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

- 6:45—Rise and Shine.

PRESIDENT

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 58 High class (slang)
 59 Containers
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 61 Type measure
 62 Bitter vetch
 63 Same coin
 64 Type of moth
 65 Storehouse
 66 Symbol for samarium
 67 Runes
 68 Passage between rows of seats
 69 Equitable
 70 Street (abbr.)
 71 Road (abbr.)
 72 Lieutenant (abbr.)
 73 Nova Scotia (abbr.)
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 75 Bar by stoppel
 76 Swiss river
 77 Feminine name
 78 Laughing
 79 Staff of life
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 2 Persons afflicted with leprosy
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Carrie L. Parsley Of Riddle Passes

Funeral services will be held at the Community church at Riddle at 2 p. m. Wednesday for Carrie Lucinda Parsley, resident of Riddle, who died Saturday at the home of her daughter in Ashland.

Born at Riddle, Aug. 13, 1869, Mrs. Parsley had been a life long resident of Douglas county. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Stille T. Riddle, her father crossing the plains to Oregon with his parents at the age of six months.

Her husband, Samuel Parsley, died in San Pedro, Calif., June 14, 1897.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Veneta Starnes, Ashland, with whom Mrs. Parsley had made her home since last September; four brothers, W. S. and Fred Riddle, Burns, Ore., and Prestley and Dewey Riddle, Painter, Wyo., and two sisters, Mrs. Helen Johnson, Billings, Mont., and Mrs. Eva Atzner, Myrtle Creek. She also leaves seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral arrangements are in charge of the Litwiler Funeral home, Ashland.

Grimms Receive Battle Souvenirs From Son

A German battle flag, captured in Italy, is among the souvenirs sent home by George Grimm, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Grimm, Roseburg. Overseas for more than a year, he participated in the North African and Italian campaigns with an army signal service company.

A box containing several souvenirs, including a swastika flag and a number of personal gifts for his parents, arrived from Italy last week.

Three copies of the Roseburg News-Review were used for packing, having been across the seas and back again and showing the effects of being well read.

Hamilton Hendricks, Roseburg Native, Dies

THE DALLES, Feb. 21—Hamilton Hendricks, 82, died here Thursday. Born at Roseburg, he had been a practicing attorney at Fossil for many years, coming to The Dalles three years ago. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Harry Moore of Sitka, Alaska; four sons, W. G. Hendricks of Portland, Robert of Kinzua, Winlock of Portland and Ford of Los Angeles. A brother, J. R. Hendricks, lives at Cottage Grove.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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R. H. S. Hoopsters Lose 2nd Tilt to Ashland, 41 to 39

The Roseburg high school Indians were beaten again Saturday night in their two-game series with the Ashland Grizzlies, but the home team knew it had had a ball game. Ashland won 41 to 39 in a fast and rough game in which the two teams were never separated by more than four points.

Ashland's tall center, Bartell, with his pivot shot, won the game for the Grizzlies, as the Indians could not find a defense to stop his swing toss, permitting him to make 21 of Ashland's 41 points.

Ashland led 10 to 6 at the quarter and 21 to 18 at the half, but the game went into the final period with the score tied at 29-all and it was either team's game until the final whistle.

Lineups:
 Ashland 41 Pos. 39 Roseburg
 Robertson F. 9 Young
 Landing F. 4 Wiley
 Bartell 21 C. 11 Loomis
 Riggs 8 G. 11 Cummings
 Samuelson 8 G. 3 Krell

Substitutions: Ashland—Kannasto 1, Waybrant 3; Roseburg—James 1, Marr. Officials: Hardy and McClain.

U. of O. Defeats O. S. C. Basketeers

(By the Associated Press)
 The University of Washington Huskies, undefeated in 10 northern division games, will open their final basketball series of the season in Seattle against the University of Idaho's third place Vandals tonight.

Washington, three games ahead of second place Oregon, needs victories both tonight and tomorrow night to clinch the title.

In the only conference action of the weekend, the Oregon Woodpeckers finished up a clean sweep of the Oregon State Beavers, winning their final game of the season at Corvallis Saturday night, 42-39.

Both Idaho and Washington were idle, insofar as conference play is concerned over the weekend, but Washington scored one of its major victories of the season in downing non-conference Gonzaga, 53-40, after taking a trimming from the Zags in three previous starts.

Dolly Jensen, Formerly Of Douglas County, Dies

Mrs. Charles F. Wilson, Reston, has received word of the sudden death of her grandniece, Dolly Jensen, who died Tuesday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ruby Jensen, Eugene. The family formerly resided in Douglas county.

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