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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office, Roseburg, Oregon. Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Occasional rain tonight and Thursday.

Highest temp. for any March 85 Highest temp. yesterday 64 Lowest temp. for any March 18 Lowest temp. last night 44 Precipitation yesterday .08 Precip. from March 1 1.15 Excess from March 1 .35 Deficit from Sept. 1, 1943 7.65

Editorials on News (Continued from page 1.)

the handy-man wrecked the pants. In spite of his two suits, he missed his meeting—and missing a meeting in Washington is something.

SOMEWHAT similar trouble befell a one-suiter. He too got in in the morning and called the tailor, and when the bellhop showed up he sent the suit out to be pressed PRONTO, while he shaved and cleaned up.

Time marched on. But no suit came back. Frantic calls to the desk brought no relief. Meanwhile the hour of his meeting arrived and PASSED. He also missed out. He just couldn't go in his underwear.

You can get by with a lot of things in Washington, but you can't get by with that.

EVENTUALLY the mystery was cleared, and his unpressed suit, along with a heap of others, was discovered down in the basement.

It developed that the hotel tailor was sub-contracting his pressing at a volume price of 30 cents per suit and at the critical moment the sub-contractor demanded 40 cents and backed up his demand by going on strike.

By the time the strike was settled, our unlucky hero's meeting had passed into history.

THIS one has to do with lunch-coin checks, rather than suits. A group of men went out to lunch and when the affair came to an end the waiter brought in the bill on one check. The host picked up the check and was holding it in his hand while he finished up a conversation. The bill came to \$36.

One of the guests saw the check "Give that to me," he said. "I'm in the 90 cent excess profits brackets, and this is a business trip. This lunch will cost you \$36, but it'll only cost me \$3.60."

He took the check. When upon another guest spoke up. "Shucks," he said. "I'm here on business too, and I'm operating on one of these cost plus ten per cent contracts. I can MAKE \$3.60 on it."

Salary Increases Given Yoncalla School Staff

YONCALLA — At a recent meeting of the Yoncalla Union High school board all teachers of the present staff were offered contracts for the coming year, with salary increases approximating 28 per cent.

Classes in manual training, suspended during the present year, will be resumed if a qualified instructor can be obtained. All grade teachers were also offered contracts with an increase in salary.

There are modern Irishlanders who trace their descent from Snorro, the first white man born in America—about the year 1,000.

ADMINISTRATION ADVISERS

By Charles V. Stanton.

HARRIS ELLSWORTH, congressman from the Fourth Oregon district, in his weekly news letter from Washington, referred to President Roosevelt's face-slapping, tax bill veto message stating: "Most people here seem to be honestly puzzled by the president's action." A good many political commentators seem to be equally baffled. President Roosevelt has been the master of diplomatic finesse in the past. He has embarrassed congress no end with adroitly planted issues designed to destroy public confidence in the legislative branch. Consequently bewilderment is occasioned by the crudeness of the veto message.

We have on the desk two labor journals which lambast congress in vigorous language for failure to pass the federal ballot bill submitted by the administration. But they do not tell their readers that the administration's program was strictly unconstitutional, that the votes cast under such a plan could not have been counted in any state, that presidents are named by electors not by popular vote; that congress, within constitutional limits, could not possibly have passed the bill in its original form. The president well knew his plan would arouse division in congress and would stir up factionalism throughout the nation. It has succeeded in its purpose.

He doubtless had the same motive in mind when he tossed in the national service legislation which congress, apparently, is endeavoring to place on the shelf. The administration's proposal, at this late hour, can hope to achieve nothing but additional dissension.

The phrase "divide and conquer" has been frequently applied in recent years to military strategy. It is equally important in political machinations. The politician who can divide his opposition, while retaining a friendly balance of power, can perpetuate himself in office as long as he maintains his skill.

But the tax veto message lacked the usual adroitness at which the president is a past master. General comment would indicate that public reaction favored congress rather than the president.

Perhaps there is more than a hint in the retaliatory speech of Senator Barkley, who referred frequently to the "president and his advisers."

The president has been busy with international affairs, and the domestic situation has been pretty much in the hands of the bureaucratic family. The president was once surrounded by strong and politically-capable men. But gradually his "brain trusters" have been deserting. Farley, Garner, Al Smith, Woodring, Hugh Johnson, Tugwell, John L. Lewis, Moley and numerous others, who once were strong supporters and able advisers—men who could accomplish things diplomatically—repudiated the New Deal. Barkley's renunciation took away one of the last of the stalwarts.

Today his advisers are largely the bureaucrats, Byrnes, Vinson, Frankfurter, Rosenman, Cohen, Hopkins, Wallace—not forgetting Eleanor—who are far below the stature of the originators of the New Deal. Even the bureaucrats are not a unit. They are constantly fighting among themselves. Each department and agency is jealous of the other.

We have seen in countries, with which we are now at war, the effects of deteriorating counsel upon one-man governments. Hitler's progress stopped when he alienated his conservative advisers and gave ear to the radicals.

There is intimation in Barkley's rebellion that the president refused to listen to conservative "pleadings," that, instead, he permitted the more radical of his advisers to direct him into an action completely foreign to his usual skillful method.

The president is not one to take congressional insurrection without a fight. We can expect more squabbles. But we imagine they will be more adroitly planned in the future.

While observing the Washington mess, we should keep in mind that administration is efficient only in proportion to the competency of its advisers.

Got Idle Musical Instrument? Give It to Soldiers

Wanted—musical instruments for our fighting men! In response to a request from the army, a city-wide campaign to round up all those banjos, saxophones, and other musical instruments that are lying forgotten in closets and attics will begin here on March 13. It will run for two weeks.

The variety of instruments wanted is unlimited, except that pianos, and "bull" fiddles are excluded because of their size, and phonographs because of a lack of facilities for keeping them in repair at the front.

Instruments collected in this nation-wide drive will enable the soldiers in all parts of the world to form orchestras to entertain themselves and their camp buddies. It will also enable them to engage in less formal musical recreation like gathering round in the evening and singing to the accompaniment of a banjo, harmonica or other instrument.

Because of their distribution facilities, the army has asked the "Coca-Cola" bottlers all over the country to act as collecting agents for the drive. Any person who has any idle musical instruments is asked to take them to any grocery store, billing station, drug store or other place that sells bottled "Coca-Cola." The bottling company's trucks will pick them up there and ship them immediately to the army for distribution at army camps all over the world.

There are scores of these in-

struments hidden away and forgotten in the closets and attics of homes in this city," said Ernest Unrath, president of the Roseburg Coca-Cola Bottling Company. The American soldier loves his music, but he particularly likes to make his own. Through this campaign, we shall be able to help make his life in camp and at the fronts a happier one.

Perry Thiele to Work in Navy as Mechanic

Perry Thiele, secretary of the Douglas County Agricultural Conservation association, was recently sworn into the ship repair unit of the United States naval reserve as a motor machinist mate first class, diesel engineer mechanic.

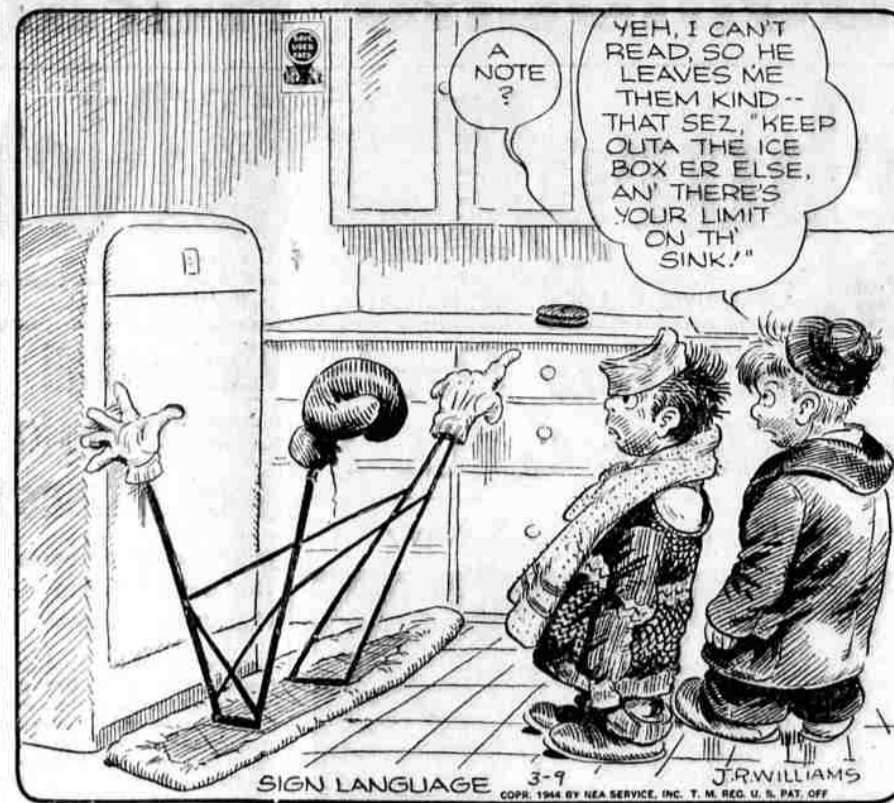
Mr. Thiele is now on inactive duty awaiting his call for training. He is a native of Douglas county, having been born at Oakland, where he attended grammar school and was graduated from the Yoncalla high school and from Oregon State college, Corvallis.

For a period of over seven years he was employed by several large contractors as a diesel mechanic. Since 1939 he has resided in Roseburg and has been employed with the conservation association.

Dance Scheduled at Facility Recreation Hall

A dance will be held at the facility recreational hall Wednesday evening from 7:45 to 10 o'clock, to be sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary department chairman of Oregon, Mrs. Ione Wood. Members of the auxiliary and friends are asked to attend the dance.

OUT OUR WAY



Norman B. Hess Gains Notice For War Duty Courage

Norman B. Hess, former Roseburg postal employee, now a pharmacist mate with the U. S. navy, is given special mention in a feature story written by Sergeant Loodel Coleman, a marine corps combat correspondent, concerning action at Bougainville.

Hess, Coleman writes, served as an operating room technician with Lieutenant Commander Dr. W. C. Meloy at a field hospital set up within 200 yards of the front lines, working more than 30 hours without sleep and with little food.

The unit, it was reported, went ashore with the first wave of marines and was ready for operations within a very short time after the landing. Between emergency operations the unit improved the position of the base, adding layers of sandbags around the operating tent and wards.

A commendation from the base hospital, to which wounded men later evacuated, declared that the mater received from the field hospital were the best cared for of any to be received from the South Pacific area.

During a particularly heavy shelling of the area, Coleman writes, Dr. Meloy and Corpsman writes, Dr. Meloy and Corpsman work although snails and shrapnel were riddling the tents in which they were located.

Public Carnival to Be Staged at Rose School

A carnival to be presented jointly by the students and Parent-Teacher association of the Rose school in Roseburg, will be staged at the schoolhouse at 7:30 p. m. March 17, it was announced today. A stage show, fish pond, entertainment and refreshment booths will constitute the program. The carnival will be open to the general public.

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BEST BETS FOR TODAY

- WEDNESDAY 6:30—First Nighter. 8:00—Poems. 8:15—The Three Cheers. 8:30—Bulldog Drummond. THURSDAY 10:30—Let's Be Charming. 11:45—Around the Town. 2:00—Ray Dady. 3:15—Dusty Records. 5:00—Junior Jamboree. 6:30—Music You Remember. 7:30—Cisco Kid. 8:00—Pick and Pat Time. 8:30—Wings Over the West Coast. 9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

- 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co. 4:15—Music Off the Record. 4:30—Lullaby in Rhythm. 4:45—Songs of Good Cheer. 5:00—Moods in Music. 5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pep. 5:30—Musical Cocktail. 5:45—Gordon Burke News, Studebaker.

Child's Colds To Relieve Misery Rub on Time-Proved VICKS VAPORUB

By J. R. Williams

Capt. H. P. Dixon Advances to Major

Word comes to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Dixon, whose ranch home is on the lower Calapooia near Umpqua, that their eldest son, Harold P. Dixon, 38, has been promoted from captain to major in the army air forces.

A former building contractor in Glendale-Burbank, California, an air enthusiast holding a pilot's license since 1926, Major Dixon joined the ferry command of the Royal Air Force at Montreal in January, 1941, as a pilot on multi-motored airplanes, and in transoceanic service made many flights to various theatres of war in the following 18 months.

In June, 1942, he transferred into the U. S. army air service with the rank of captain and was assigned to transoceanic service in ferry command. For the past eight months he has been in charge of all deliveries of planes to foreign bases out of the Detroit air base, with only an occasional opportunity to make an overseas flight himself.

The first insurance company in the U. S. was organized in Philadelphia in 1750 for the aid of clergymen and their widows.



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