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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office, Roseburg, Oregon.

Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Showers tonight and Thursday; warmer Thursday.

Highest temp. for any April	96
Highest temp. yesterday	55
Lowest temp. for any April	25
Lowest temp. last night	40
Precipitation yesterday	.95
Precip. from April 1	1.58
Excess from April 1	.51
Deficit from Sept. 1, 1943	8.79

Editorials on News

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want to get all their available forces back into Rumania for a last-ditch stand between the Danube and the Carpathians in defense of the Rumanian oil fields.

If that is true, they'll probably get their remaining forces out of the Crimea as quickly and as cheaply as they can and bring them also back into Rumania.

What hapens in the Crimea in the next few days will be worth watching.

IN Western Europe, our planes go on hammering Germany in a steadily widening arc. On Sunday, American heavy bombers reached clear into POLAND and EAST PRUSSIA, a round trip of roughly 1600 miles from their bases in England.

A new word comes into the news. Our air operations in Europe are referred to as "bleeder blows" against the German air force—meaning, presumably, that we're bleeding the German air strength down to the point of impotence.

ACROSS the world in northeastern India, the battle of the supply lines goes on with undiminished ferocity. The Japs say they've taken Kohima, and our side admits that hard fighting is under way in the town's outer defenses. At the same time, the little yellow men slip around Imphal to the southwest.

The Japs are probably gunning for the Imphal plain. If they can take it and make their communications back into Burma secure, the natural guess is that they will establish air fields from which to attack our supply route into China.

That, at least, seems to provide a logical reason for the risks they are taking. The monsoon rains are due in a few weeks, and if the Japs can't get their communications secured by then their advanced forces will be cut off.

That is why what they are doing is risky.

ON the home front, Secretary of State Hull, in a broadcast speech in Washington Sunday night, launches a campaign to keep our foreign policy OUT of our election year political fight.

Maybe he can manage it. Let's at least give him credit for SINCERITY. Hull is one Washington official whose sincerity few people doubt.

But he is taking on a big job.

IF American foreign policy is to be kept out of this year's presidential campaign, which for reasons that are obvious is apt to become bitter, it will first have to be UNDERSTOOD by the American people as a whole and its soundness will have to be generally agreed to.

It is being freely charged that the United States HAS NO FOREIGN POLICY. That simply CAN'T be true. It is unthinkable that we should be fighting a war of the magnitude of the world-wide struggle in which we are now engaged without a pretty clear idea on the part of our leaders of what we are fighting for and what we propose to do to INSURE that we do not fight in vain.

But it certainly is true that we outsiders (which means practically the WHOLE American people) are utterly uninformed as to what our foreign policy may be. We simply haven't been told. Even Secretary Hull, in his Sunday night speech, gives us no more than a faint glimmer of understanding.

IF our foreign policy is to be kept out of the campaign, it will have to be made COMPLETELY CLEAR, through information and debate, what that policy is and what it can be expected to lead to.

Uncharted peaks have been found in the Himalayas by pilots flying supplies to China that are believed to be higher than Mount Everest.

SELECTIVE SERVICE SCANDAL

By Charles V. Stanton

THE capricious decisions of the War Manpower commission, with relation to selective service, are little short of scandalous. The policy, if such it can be called, fluctuating with every vagrant political wind is a factor disruptive to both the war effort and civilian pursuits, keeping thousands upon thousands of young men in an uncertain frame of mind and unable to produce efficiently in any capacity. The commission's lack of a stable policy has worked untold hardships, has imposed unnecessary financial losses upon great numbers of people and has been a disgraceful showing of poor management.

At one moment the War Manpower commission orders the induction of every man below the age of 38 years who is not engaged in essential industry. The next moment it decides to draft only men under 26 years of age. Announcement is made that there will be no deferments of any men, and the next statement lists all kinds of deferrable categories.

If the situation continues much longer, the federal government will be required to provide insane asylums for the men it is rapidly driving crazy. Certainly, if any woman changed her mind as often as the War Manpower commission changes its decisions, relative to selective service, she would be carted off immediately to the nearest sanitarium.

Selective service boards had given final induction notices to hundreds of young men, who were scheduled to don the uniform of the military services this week. Some of these men had sold their businesses, quit their jobs and had cut themselves off from civilian pursuits. Then comes the order to release those over 26 years of age. Countless numbers are now stranded without businesses and without jobs, forced to make new starts in some other line of activity. Many will suffer considerable financial loss.

Few young men are unwilling to serve their country. A man with a business and a family or an essential job, either in the war effort or in civilian activities, is not to be criticized for awaiting the time of his formal call to military duty. He shouldn't be kept on the hot seat by frivolous bureaucrats.

When a federal agency can't make up its mind who is needed to bear arms and who shall remain to keep up war production and preserve civilian economy, and issues inconstant and contradictory orders, shifting policies with every change of linen, it is time something was being done somewhere to halt the trifling, flighty management of a most vital and serious business.

And how about the older men who have been called into service? Are the men 30 years or older, torn from their families, pulled away from their employment, led, albeit willingly, into military experiences, going to feel kindly toward a new policy which halts induction at 26 years of age?

The local selective service boards are not to be blamed for the conditions which exist. They must abide by the decisions and instructions handed down from Washington. The fault lies with an administration which has piled confusion upon confusion and lacks even the ability to turn out a simple income tax blank.

Our local selective service boards are fully aware of the hardships being caused. They are frankly sympathetic. But directed by commissions, incapable of formulating and abiding by a stable policy, they can only obey the orders to the best of their ability.

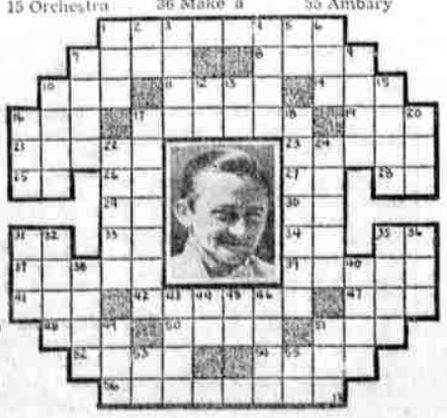
It is high time that something be done to halt the rank injustice to those men who are willing to be of service when and where they are needed, but who, today, are verging on nervous breakdowns because of inability to plan their own affairs to meet the temperamental, politically-guided indecisions of a powerful but inadequate commission.

FAMED JOCKEY

HORIZONTAL
1 Pictured jockey, ——
7 Peel
8 Important metal
10 Male sheep
11 Roman poet
14 Grab
16 Dance step
17 Horn
19 Girl's name
21 Stage performer
23 Rectify
25 Compass point
26 Pair (abbr.)
27 Hebrew letter
28 From
29 Early English (abbr.)
30 Symbol for iridium
31 Stibium (symbol)
33 Nova Scotia (abbr.)
34 Norwegian (abbr.)
35 Exist
37 Brown bread by heat
39 Catcher of lampreys
41 Sweet potato
42 Lances
47 Hearing organ
48 Courtesy title
50 Slave
51 Wager
52 Lady
54 Jewish month
56 He is a famed ——

VERTICAL
1 River barrier
2 Either
3 Gaseous element
4 Assistant
5 Doctor (abbr.)
6 Era
7 Ago
9 Cognomen
10 He has won many a ——
12 Vermont (abbr.)
13 Symbol for illinium
15 Orchestra
16 Cooking vessel
17 Captures
18 Grieves
20 Dutch city
22 Encloses
24 Coalesce
31 Pig's home
32 Serpents
35 Cudgel
36 Make a mistake
38 Preposition
40 Look askance
43 Pry
44 Electrical term
45 Any
46 480 sheets
49 College cheer
51 Prohibit
53 Month (abbr.)
55 Ambary

Answer to Previous Puzzle



OUT OUR WAY — By J. R. Williams

Comedians Tell All in New Book

An event of earth-shaking importance in the literary world is in the making.

Word of it first leaked out during the shooting of 20th Century-Fox's laugh riot, "The Dancing Masters," which stars Laurel and Hardy, and is scheduled to open Sunday at the Indian. theatre.

Stan and Hardy are writing a book in which they are going the other Hollywood actor-literateurs one step better. They're writing a dual autobiography tentatively titled, "Through Thick and Thin."

The book will tell of the many experiences each half of the famous comedy team has encountered in his years before the camera. The chapters are being alternately written by each of the stars. Thus, even if the book doesn't prove a greater literary achievement than any other autobiography ever written, it will at least be twice as funny.

Sen. Cordon Inspects Coos Port Facilities

MARSHFIELD, Ore., April 11 —(AP)— U. S. Senator Guy Cordon has promised to support efforts of Coos bay citizens to have the channel deepened.

"I have every reason to believe we can shortly obtain an engineers' survey of the harbor," he said yesterday after inspecting port facilities here with State Senator Marshall E. Cornett of Klamath Falls.

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BEST BETS FOR TODAY

WEDNESDAY
6:30—First Nighter.
7:00—Royal Arch Gunnison.
8:00—Recital Hall of the Air.
8:30—Bulldog Drummond.
9:15—Service Salute.
THURSDAY
8:55—Strictly Personal.
10:30—Let's Be Charming.
1:30—Full Speed Ahead.
3:15—Dusty Records.
5:00—Junior Jamboree.
6:00—Gabriel Heatter.
6:30—Music You Remember.
7:30—Cisco Kid.
8:00—Pick and Pat Time.
8:30—Voice of the Army.

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.
6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Kreml.
6:15—Believe it or Not, Pall Mall Cigarettes.
6:30—First Nighter, Campana Sales Corp.
7:00—Royal Arch Gunnison.
7:15—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.
7:20—Musical Interlude.
7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Recital Hall of the Air.
8:15—Stardust Serenade.
8:30—Bulldog Drummond.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Service Salute, E. G. High.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
9:45—Music for the Night.
10:00—Sign Off.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13
6:45—Rise and Shine.
7:00—News, J. A. Folger Co.
7:15—4-H Club Program.
7:30—State and Local News, Boring Optical.
7:35—The Beehive.
7:40—Rhapsody in Wax.
8:00—Haven of Rest.
8:30—Happy Joe and Ralph.
8:45—Shoppers Guide.
8:55—Strictly Personal, Gotham Hosiery Co.
9:00—Boake Carter.
9:15—Man About Town.
9:30—Service Salute, E. G. High.
9:45—Melodic Varieties.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Jack Berch, Kellogg's All-Bran.
10:30—Let's Be Charming, Louis Howe Laboratories.
11:00—Cedric Foster.
11:15—Radio Bible Class With Dr. Roach, Presbyterian Church.
11:30—Skyline Serenade.
11:45—Around the Town, Kellogg's Cornflakes.
12:00—Musical Interlude.
12:10—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer.
12:15—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—Walter Compton.
1:15—Moments in Music.
1:30—Full Speed Ahead.
2:00—Ray Dady.
2:15—Welcome Inn.
2:30—The Dream House of Melody.
3:00—Air WAC Serenade.
3:15—Dusty Records, Henningers Marts.
3:45—Johnson Family.
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—Junior Jamboree.
5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pep.
5:30—Musical Cocktail.
5:45—Gordon Burke News, Studebaker.
6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Forhan's Toothpaste.
6:15—Believe It or Not. Pall Mall Cigarettes.
6:30—Music You Remember, Douglas Supply Co.
6:45—The Male Quartet, G. W. Young & Son.
7:00—Henry Gladstone.
7:15—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.
7:20—Musical Interlude.
7:30—Cisco Kid.
8:00—Pick and Pat Time.
8:30—The Voice of the Army.
8:45—Miller Products Co.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Rex Miller, Wildroot.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Hunt Bros. Packing Co.
9:45—Music for the Night.
10:00—Sign off.

Fair Ground Plan Given Support by Riversdale Grange

Riversdale grange is giving its support to the county fair grounds proposal, which will be submitted to the voters of Douglas county at the primary election May 19.

In a letter authorized by the grange and written by the secretary, Elizabeth Ogle, to R. G. Baker, secretary of the Douglas County Mounted Police Reserves, it is stated:

"At the last meeting of the Riversdale grange the matter of sponsorship by your organization of the purchase and development of a Douglas county fair ground was discussed. Several of the members expressed themselves as being very strongly in favor of the movement and a motion was unanimously passed endorsing the action of the mounted police in initiating an advertising campaign to get the project before the people.

"The Riversdale grange, No. 731, is solidly behind the project. They feel that to longer be without a county-supported fair ground development would be most discreditable. Douglas county is rich in agricultural, mineral, recreational and timber resources. An annual county-wide fair is badly needed as a means of calling attention of outsiders to this wealth of resources and as a medium through which local folks can express their pride in the development and production capacity of the county.

"Our group wishes to commend you for your initiative and effort so far, and you may consider this as our pledge of continued support and cooperation."

Rainiers, Oakland Win Slugfests in Baseball

(By the Associated Press)

Rain halted games in the northern half of the Pacific coast league Tuesday but down in the southern part of the state the first night games of the season found the hitters with their eyes on the ball.

The Seattle Rainiers punched out 16 hits to take a 14 to 8 contest from the Hollywood Stars, while Oakland was beating San Diego, 9 to 8.

Los Angeles retained the league lead with three wins against no losses although the Angels were idle at Sacramento. Showers likewise stopped the Portland Beavers scheduled game under the arcs at San Francisco.

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