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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office,
Roseburg, Oregon.
Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity:
Slight showers tonight and Friday;
little change in temperature.
Highest temp. for any April 96
Highest temp. yesterday 52
Lowest temp. for any April 25
Lowest temp. last night 41
Precipitation yesterday .16
Precip. from April 1 1.74
Excess from April 1 .58
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Editorials on News
(Continued from page 1.)

about 50 miles wide.
The defending Germans will
have the high Carpathians on
their left and the mighty Danube
and its marshes on their right.
Everything points to a showdown
fight in this general area in the
not too distant future.

THE air battle in Germany
grows fiercer by the day. Our
bomber fleets in increasing numbers
range over a wider and wider
area, blasting at airplane
factories, airfields and strategic
railroads. CONSTANTLY they
shoot down all the German
planes they can.

THE German fighters come up
in a steadily DECREASING
numbers to meet our air fleets.
This probably indicates that the
Nazis have no fighter planes to
spare. But we may be quite sure
that they are saving up a powerful
RESERVE for our big push
when it comes.

ACROSS the world, in Burma
and over the line into India,
the battle for the Imphal plain
goes on. The Japs appear to be
getting ready for another big
frontal drive on Kohima. If they
fall in this frontal drive, they
are expected to try to pass the
town in the Russian manner.

Meanwhile, there is heavy
fighting BACK in central Burma,
where we have landed considerable
commando forces by glider
plane and parachute. These
commandos are slashing at the
communications in the Jap's REAR.

If you will consult your map,
you will note that the Jap forces
pushing over the India border
are supplied mainly by the railroad
that runs north from Rangoon—
which was once the southern
end of the Burma road. The
Japs have now CONNECTED
this railroad with the rail system
of Thailand (Siam) thus
giving them a through rail route
from their South China sea
bases. This railroad is supplemented
by highways and river
transport.

It can succeed in cutting
the Japs' communications and
KEEPING THEM CUT, we'll ultimately
be able to put a stop to
their Imphal-Kohima drive—for
NO army, Jap or otherwise, can
fight without supplies.

WILLKIE removes his name
from the Oregon primary
ballot, thus indicating that he
is OUT of the republican nomination
race—as he said he was.

With Willkie off the ballot, the
Oregon primary will be a write-in
free-for-all. This writer's advice
is to WRITE IN the name of the
man you consider best qualified
to lead our nation in the
troubled years that lie ahead.

If that is done, the Oregon
primary will at least be a good
straw vote to indicate Oregon
sentiment.

INCIDENTALLY, the choosing
of delegates to national
conventions at primary elections
once seemed like a great progressive
development in American
politics.

It DOESN'T seem to have
panned out.

SOLDIERS TAUGHT TO SWIM

By Charles V. Stanton

MEMBERS of the military forces of the United States are
the best equipped in the world and they have been provided
with exceptionally fine training, but, until recently,
one phase of preparation for combat has been overlooked
with most tragic results, reports Robert Culbertson, first
aid and water safety field representative of the American
Red Cross. Mr. Culbertson is in Roseburg conducting
classes for Red Cross first aid instructors.

Soldiers and sailors have been taught to shoot, to operate
the instruments and machines of war, to protect themselves
from enemy fire and otherwise to wage both offensive and
defensive warfare, but all have not been taught to swim.
As a result thousands of brave men have been lost in the
waters of the widespread battle areas.

The forces of all the allied nations, except Russia, are
forced to wage amphibious warfare. Landings must be
made on beaches, usually in the face of enemy fire. Landing
boats are subject to being sunk or capsized by bombs, shells
or heavy seas. Consequently, the men of our armed forces,
unless they have the ability to swim, are subjected to danger
of drowning before they can set foot on their objective.

Fully 50 per cent of the casualties suffered in the Sicilian
and Italian landings reportedly resulted from drowning.

A check in the 91st division at Camp White, Medford,
Culbertson reports, revealed 70 per cent of the enlisted men
and 50 per cent of the officers were non-swimmers. The
commanding officer of that division has firmly announced he
does not intend any of his men shall lose their lives because
they cannot swim, and classes are in progress 24 hours each
day, under Red Cross supervision, as efforts are made to
train every man in the art of swimming.

Not only are the men being taught to keep themselves
afloat in the water, but they are learning to use their newly
developed talent to provide protection while they approach
their objectives.

They are first trained in fundamentals until they are
able to swim reasonable distances. They then practice
swimming while fully clothed. After succeeding in staying
on the surface while clad in wet uniforms, they take to the
water wearing combat packs, carrying rifles, and fully
equipped, as if they were going ashore on an enemy
held beach.

The knack of swimming while weighted down with clothing,
a 75-pound pack, rifle, ammunition and steel helmet is
one that really requires some practice. But the men are
rapidly learning to swim ashore in full combat regalia and
with a minimum of exposure. They are learning to float
their helmets in a manner to provide protection from rifle
and machine gun bullets. They have even learned to swim
in large groups with absolute silence, a feat that any
swimmer knows is extremely difficult.

When the men of the 91st division are called upon to go
ashore in some amphibious operation, that outfit will not
incur heavy losses from any lack of ability of its members
to swim.

It is extremely unfortunate that our preparedness program
lacked swimming instruction and training in the years
prior to the war. The American Red Cross has been
endeavoring for many years to interest the general public
in water safety. Perhaps our experiences, resulting from
our shortcomings, will result in greater cooperation in the
Red Cross swim campaigns in the future.

Washington News From an Inside View

Argument, Sentiment, Comment

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH
Congressman, Fourth Oregon District

WASHINGTON, D. C., April
13.—Congress resumed activity
Wednesday (the 12th). Nothing
big is scheduled for consideration
by the house during the first few
days after Easter recess. The
following week, however, the
final round of the second session
of this 78th congress will begin
in earnest.

Forbidding important measures
include several appropriation
bills, the renewal of the
Price Control act, consideration
of proposals to make a special
draft of those classified as 4-F's,
tax simplification, and the
veterans' "GI Bill of Rights". This
is not a complete list by any means,
but gives a general idea of some
of the work before congress in
the near future.

The senate military affairs sub-
committee on contract termina-
tion opened hearings this week
on S. 1730, a bill to create an
Office of Demobilization, to terminate
war contracts and dispose
of surplus government property,
and S. 1823, having to do with
war mobilization and postwar
adjustment.

The introduction of a new tax
simplification bill was held up
of necessity until after the Easter
recess. The house ways and
means committee, however, has
completed its work on the propo-
sition and has turned it over to
the legislative counsel for drafting.
During the week in working
out details of the simplification
plan, the committee reached the
following agreements: 1. To
change the filing date of estimated
income returns from Dec. 15,
as in present law, to the follow-
ing Jan. 15. 2. To require persons
making more than \$300 a year
to file tax returns, no matter
what age. Persons with incomes
of less than \$500 are permitted
to be classified as dependents. 3.
To remove present law restric-
tions as to age. The committee

OUT OUR WAY



WAIT NOW, WAIT! I AIN'T GOT IT DOWN YET!

YOU'LL HAVE IT DISSOLVED IN YOUR MOUTH—YOU'VE DRANK TWO GALLONS!

YOU'RE LISIN' UP ALL THE ENERGY IN THE LAST ONE GITTIN' THIS ONE DOWN!

THREE ELBOW RANGERS TAKIN' THEIR VITAMIN PILLS

ALL THEY DO ALL DAY IS LEAN ON A MACHINE—I GUESS TH' VITAMINS GIVE THEM MORE LEANIN' POWER!

"MORE POWER TO YOU"

By J. R. Williams

payments on the basis of O. & C.
payments. This amendment does
not seem to be a proper solution
of the problem and apparently
was adopted by the senate com-
mittee for the reason that some
of the controverted lands are in-
termingled with Forest service
lands—just as are some 450,000
other acres of O. & C. lands. It
is likely the house committee will
work out a permanent solution of
this difficulty by exchanging and
blocking off both O. & C. lands
and forest lands in solid areas
district from each other.

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BEST BETS FOR TODAY

- THURSDAY
6:30—Music You Remember.
7:30—Cisco Kid.
8:00—Pick and Pat Time.
8:30—Voice of the Army.
FRIDAY
10:15—Jack Berch.
10:45—RHS on the Air.
2:15—Welcome Inn.
4:30—Lullaby in Rhythm.
6:15—Believe It or Not.
6:30—Double or Nothing.
7:00—State and Local News.
8:00—Eye Witness News.
8:30—Name That Song.
9:00—Newspaper of the Air.

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—Junior Jamboree.
5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pep.
5:30—Musical Cocktail.
5:45—Gordon Burke News, Stu-
debaker.
6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Forhan's
Toothpaste.
6:15—Believe It or Not, Pall
Mail 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—Aika 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.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 1944

- 6:45—Rise and Shine.
7:00—News, J. A. Folger Co.
7:15—Stuff and Nonsense.
7:30—State and Local News,
Boring Optical.
7:35—Judd Furniture Store.
7:40—Rhapsody in Wax.
8:00—Dr. Louis Talbot, Bible
Institute of Los Angeles.
8:30—Happy Joe and Ralph.
8:45—Shoppers Guide.
9:00—Boake Carter.
9:15—Man About Town.
9:30—32nd Army Band.
10:00—Aika Seltzer News.
10:15—Jack Berch, Kellogg's All-
 Bran.
10:30—Luncheon With Lopez, Van
 Camps.
10:45—R. H. S. on the Air.
11:00—Wheel of Fortune.
11:45—Around the Town, Kel-
logg's Cornflakes.
12:00—Musical Interlude.
12:10—Sports Review, Dunham
Transfer.
12:15—Treasury Song for Today.
12:20—Parkinson's Information
Exchange.
12:25—Rhythm at Random.
12:40—State News, Hansen Mo-
tors.
12:45—News Review of the Air.
12:55—Terminal Market Reports,
Sig Fett.
1:00—Walter Compton.
1:15—Farm Frolics, Fisher's

DIAL LOG

By SUSAN

Annaloris has promised the
new "Long Ago" for her Music
You Remember tonight at 6:30.
And she said maybe—just maybe
she will do our favorite "Pretty
Ritty Blue Eyes" one of the pro-
grams next week—at least we'll
hope so, because we think that's
a pretty cute little number. Claco
Kid, the romantic rascal, rides
the airways at 7:30; Pick and
Pat Time at 8—this time with
Mr. L. playing "People Will Say
We're In Love". While that isn't
our favorite song, we can listen,
with pleasure, to anything he
plays. Friday a. m. at 9:30 you
get another good band for a half
hour, and there are two or three
other programs to watch for on
Friday. We hardly need remind
you that Friday is the night for
Double or Nothing—the time, of

course, is 6:30. This week's broad-
cast is from New York with two
model war workers as guest
contestants. Also—and of special
interest—Mrs. Hanna Kister, Pol-
ish refugee and author of the
new Book-of-the-Month club best-
seller, "Blessed Are The Meek",
will appear as a guest. We've
been wondering—what do you
suppose has happened to Alois
Havrilla? Is he in the army, na-
vy, coast guard or did he just up
and leave the show? We were
wondering what on earth had
happened to Tommy Thompson,
who was the very super announcer
of "Name That Song," and finally
found out that he was inducted
into the navy on April 3rd. We
missed him. Don't forget that
Name That Song is another
"don't miss" on Friday nights at
8:30. We still think their commer-
cials are the cleverest on the air.
Did you hear them do Red Skel-
ton the other night? It was tops.
Here we are almost forgetting
to tell you that you'll find your
evening edition of State and Local
News at 7 again this Friday
—Senator Guy Cordon speaks at
7:15.

Feeds.

- 1:25—What's Wrong, Fisher's
Blend.
1:30—Moods in Music.
1:45—Sentimental Music.
2:00—Ray Dady.
2:15—Welcome Inn.
2:30—The Dream House of
Melody.
3:00—Spirit of the Vikings,
"Oslo University Con-
flict."
3:15—Dusty Records, Hennin-
gers 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—Bible Adventures, Presby-
terian Church.
5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pep.
5:30—Musical Cocktail.
5:45—Gordon Burke News, Stu-
debaker.
6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Kremi.
6:15—Believe It or Not, Pall
Mail Cigarettes.
6:30—Double or Nothing, Feena-
mint.
7:00—State and Local News,
Keel Motor Co.
7:05—Musical Interlude.
7:15—Cordon for Senator.
7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Eye-Witness News, Copco.
8:15—Here Comes the Band,
Douglas Flour Mill.
8:30—Name That Song, 42 Hair
Oil Products.
9:00—Aika Seltzer News.
9:15—Hi Neighbor, Carstens
Furniture Store.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
9:45—Music for the Night.
10:00—Sign off.

Civilians to Get More
Butter and Cooking Oils

WASHINGTON, April 13.—
(AP)—Civilian supplies of butter,
shortening, cooking oils, and
salad oils will be slightly larger
during the April-June quarter
than in the first quarter of the
year.
The War Food administration,
in announcing allocations, said
civilian supplies of margarine, on
the other hand, will be slightly
smaller, while supplies of lard
will be the same as originally al-
located for the January-March
quarter.

The WFA said that since but-
ter now is being produced in
larger quantities, the margarine
allocation has been reduced to
conserve vegetable oils for future
needs when butter production
drops off again.

Fuel Oil Heating Season
Advanced to September 1

WASHINGTON, April 13.—
(AP)—The OPA announced to-
day that the 1944-45 fuel oil heat-
ing season will begin September
1, rather than October 1 as origi-
nally scheduled.
Currently valid period four and
five oil coupons thus will be
good for deliveries only through
August 31, instead of September
30.
All coupons issued for the new
season will remain valid through
August 31, 1945, rather than ex-
piring at various specified dates
during the season as was the
case this past winter. OPA an-
nounced.

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Matt Doorly Versus
the Tomato

Funny how some people rush
off to extremes like that. They
take a wholesome thing and
overdo it till it disagrees with
them—or maybe find they don't
happen to like it—and then they
want it banned for everybody.
From where I sit, folks ought
to realize there's a middle
ground in everything—a middle
ground of moderation on the one
hand... and tolerance for our
neighbors on the other.
Joe Marsh

Western Half Of
New Britain Now
Cleared of Japs

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS,
Southwest Pacific, April 12.—
(AP)—Naval and aerial pound-
ing of Japanese installations on
the north coast of New Guinea
was reported by Gen. MacArthur
today as official figures showed
the enemy lost at least six men
for each American in the fight
for the western half of neighbor-
ing New Britain.

U. S. destroyers with a fighter
escort steamed boldly into Han-
sa bay Monday and hurled shells
into the enemy's shore installa-
tions while bombers poured 227
tons of explosives on the base,
which was left under a pall of
smoke.

The attacking force then turned
south to give Madang and its
adjacent Alexishafen airbase the
same treatment.

No air or sea opposition was
encountered, but one bomber was
lost to anti-aircraft fire.
A MacArthur spokesman said
the Japanese had been cleared
from western New Britain at a

cost of 1,514 American casualties:
442 dead, 1,062 wounded, 10 miss-
ing.
These figures contrasted with
General MacArthur's estimate
that the Japanese have lost 4,911
dead and prisoners plus at least
that many more from wounds,
starvation and disease. The
enemy force of 40,000 or so is in
full retreat across rugged terrain
toward the badly-battered Japa-
nese base of Rabaul, 200 miles
away at the northeastern tip of
the island.
At Bougainville, where Ameri-
can troops have expanded their
Empress Augusta bay bridge-
head, the total count of enemy
dead for one month ending April
8 was announced as 5,370.

D. Of U. V. To Meet—Florence
Nightingale Tent No. 15, Daugh-
ters of Union Veterans of the
Civil War will meet Friday night
at 7:30 o'clock at the Woman's
clubhouse. Initiation will be held.

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