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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office Roseburg, Oregon Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Light rain and occasional light snow tonight and Wednesday.

In the Day's News

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world-conquering bender, in the course of which they captured and looted Jerusalem, scattering the Israelites hither and thither. The Arabs conquered Palestine in 632 A. D. and have lived there ever since—some 1300 years. Now it is proposed (for reasons touched in this column a day or so ago) to try to solve a lot of touchy problems ELSEWHERE by pushing the Jews back into Palestine.

THE Arabs are a long way off. We don't know many of them personally. Just offhand, it seems to us that it would be mighty nice of them if they would agree to give Palestine back to the Israelites.

SUPPOSE, though, someone should propose in the interest of world harmony that WE should give AMERICA back to the INDIANS?

How would WE take THAT suggestion?

READING the papers and listening to the news broadcasts, it can't help seeming to us that the affairs of the world are badly snafu'd.

BUT wait a minute. Dr. W. L. Powers, head of Oregon State college soils department, has been invited to go to AFGHANISTAN to help supervise construction of a 450,000-acre irrigation project. (He says he doubts whether he can accept the offer, as he is pretty busy here in Oregon.)

Irrigation projects are PEACE projects. They MAKE HOMES for people. They provide CONSTRUCTIVE employment. Their purpose is to provide more food for the people of the world to eat.

Come to think of it, we haven't read of any revolutions or upheavals or blood-letting of any kind in Afghanistan lately. And now here comes this nearly half-million-acre reclamation proposal.

IT'S a rather odd and intriguing thought. Maybe there are MORE Afghans planning irrigation projects and other simple, peaceful, productive developments, and we just haven't HEARD of them.

Due to an odd quirk in human nature, it is the RUCKUSES that get onto the front pages and into the news broadcasts done for us by men who know how to get an EXCITING note into their voices.

There isn't anything very EXCITING about an irrigation project—just as there is nothing particularly exciting about milking cows.

IF you will think back, you will recall few stories on the front page (or in the news broadcasts) about a man going out peacefully about sundown to milk the cows.

It is doubtful if you would read such a story if it WERE on the front page, or listen to it if it were sent whizzing out over the air waves. Milking cows is one of man's most useful activities, but it certainly isn't exciting. No news editor could bring himself to put a big headline on it, and there is no news analyst living who could make his voice PALPITATE while telling a simple tale of pailing the cows at eventide.

THIS is the point. In our excitement-craving modern existence we pay little heed to the simple narratives of peaceful existence. As long as the couple heat door remains loving

TWO GRAND GROUPS

By Charles Y. Stanton

The Roseburg School Band, in brilliant uniforms, led by a majorette and strutters, came out Saturday afternoon for an all too brief parade of the city's business area. We hope the band will make appearances more often.

Stirring music, the sight of youthful, uniformed marchers, the pep and enthusiasm of youth, does much to brighten the town.

A few months ago, on a similar occasion, a Roseburg business man suggested it would be a fine thing to have the school band on the street every Saturday, and proposed that business houses contribute to a fund to be donated to the band in return for pepping up shopping crowds. He said:

It would be a hard thing to prove, but I'd be willing to bet good money that every time the band marches down the street it puts more than one hundred extra dollars into our cash registers. We have noticed in our business that shoppers rush to the street when the band goes by. A few minutes earlier they were critical and sometimes cross. They return after the parade, smiling and happy; they're easier to please and they buy more merchandise than they had in mind earlier.

We haven't the merchant's viewpoint in mind, but we do know we always feel a lift in spirits when we listen to the excellent music of the school band.

We cannot expect youngsters to parade during winter months, but business interests of the city might keep in mind the suggestion made by one of their number and utilize the band's services when the bright spring days roll around.

And while commenting upon the valuable contribution being made to civic welfare by the school band, there is another organization which shouldn't be overlooked, and that's the Knights of Pythias Girls' Drum corps.

Very few cities are able to boast of such a faithful, hard-working and interested group of girls, or an organization which has taken a more active part in civic life. The drum corps was organized in 1940, starting with 13 girls. At present the membership is 28.

The drum corps has represented Roseburg in many out-of-town affairs and upon each occasion has won high commendation, not only for music and marching, but for fine appearance and conduct of members.

The organization has not been maintained without a struggle. There have been numerous discouragements. It has at times been difficult to keep membership at a point sufficient for satisfactory practice—and a drum corps must spend many tedious hours in practice to secure the perfect coordination which this particular type of music requires.

But the girls of the K. of P. Drum corps have proved themselves real troupers and are deserving of sincere appreciation.

Our personal hope is that some of these days Les Irwin and Bill Black will consolidate their organizations for a joint appearance and that they'll include rendition of that stirring old favorite, "Semper Fidelis." And we hope they'll let us know in advance. We don't want to miss it.

Civil War Apt to Split China, Build Communist State

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

AP Foreign Affairs Analyst Fate certainly is making poor old China run the gauntlet.

Thus far the efforts at reconciliation between the Chinese Communists and the national government have failed to disclose any avenue of escape from the horror of a civil war which in fact is already under way although there has been no formal declaration of hostilities.

Bitterness has been added to the situation through the charge by the Chinese Reds that American fighting forces have been in action against them. The Communist New China Daily News has blamed the claim that U. S. Lt. Gen. Wedemeyer's promise that Americans would avoid participation in Chinese internal strife was "nothing but a lie."

Both Washington and Chungking have denied these allegations categorically. That's as should be, for armed intervention in Chinese civil war is no part of Uncle Sam's business.

Manchuria Points at Stake

This column a week ago said that it looked as though the Chinese Communists were fighting on the conquest of northern China—where they are in greatest strength—and Manchuria. Developments strengthen that belief.

Indications are that the Red strategy contemplates the seizure of Manchuria, with its well developed war industries and other resources, for a powerful base from which to strike at the national forces. The Communists already hold large industrial and agricultural areas in the six northern Chinese provinces.

Were the Red armies able to consolidate this great and rich territory, the natural development would be the establishment of a Chinese soviet state, thus splitting China in two. And

and ORDINARY, we pay no attention to them, but when they stage a spectacular fight and break windows and throw dishes and pull hair we get all twittered up about it.

It is just possible, you see, that we have been hearing all about the world's troubles and little if anything of the CONSTRUCTIVE progress that is probably going on all around us.

Maybe it's a BETTER world than we think.

one wonders whether the war would halt with this partition of the once huge China, or whether it might continue to the bloody finality which would see one side completely crushed. A fight to a finish might mean years of torture for China's five hundred millions.

Manchuria Rich in Resources

Certainly the crisis now developing in northern China is one of the greatest experienced by that country in the some 5,000 years of history which is claimed by tradition.

Manchuria is the key to the immediate future, because of its vast resources. This country possesses one of the richest soils in the world and it is heavily cultivated. There is great mineral wealth—coal, iron, gold and manganese. There is petroleum, and lumber is an important product.

For this reason the armies of both sides are racing to gain control of the railroads running from Northern China into Manchuria. The Japs have been developing the country intensively ever since they overran it in 1931, and thereby set in motion the wheels of aggression which ultimately brought Mussolini and Hitler into the field of conquest.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek had planned to land troops from the sea at Dairen and Port Arthur, the great Manchurian harbors, but according to information in Chungking his government hasn't been able to overcome Soviet objections to the use of these ports. This has caused disappointment and worry to the Chinese nationalists, but no official in the capital has been willing to comment for fear of offending Moscow.

Noted Aviator Killed In Fall From Horse

TUCSON, Ariz., Nov. 6.—Col. Lovell H. Smith, 53, one of the nation's pioneer aviators who commanded the Army's first round-the-world airplane flight on its final leg, died Sunday of injuries suffered in a fall from a horse Saturday.

That Ain't Hay WOODWARD, Okla., Nov. 6.—(AP)—Farmer Gene Boyd is finding no scarcity of offers to buy his hay crop.

The selling point? While raking it he lost his hillbill containing \$22 which has never been able to find.

MISSING PERSONS TRACED Raymond DeLano and Associates 1204 N. E. 28th Ave. BE 6178 Portland 12, Ore.

Tax Freedom Of Publicly-Owned Utilities Scored

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—(AP)—A West Coast utility official contended yesterday that public power's freedom from taxation represents an "injustice that should be corrected."

This view was given the securities subcommittee of the House Interstate Commerce committee by Kinsey M. Robinson, president of the Washington Water Power company, Spokane.

The committee, investigating the workings of the public utilities holding company act of 1935, is attempting to determine whether liquidation under the act is permitting capitalization of tax exemption and tending to destroy private companies.

Asserting that the "tax injustice" should be corrected, Robinson said that all the private utility companies seek is "an equality of opportunity in a tax sense."

"Otherwise," he declared, "the entire industry will be socialized. It is apparent to many of us that a well-directed attempt backed by political power, and financed by public funds, is being made to socialize the electric utility industry."

Privately-owned utilities have grown without aid of subsidies, he declared, and have "always paid their own way" despite the burden of heavy taxes.

Asserting that government

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REMAINING HOURS TODAY

- 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
4:15—Rex Miller, National Circuit Co.
4:30—Theatre Guild, Los Angeles Bible Institute.
4:45—Good News Program, Assembly of God.
5:00—Musical Clock, Modern Furniture.
5:15—Supperman, Kellogg Company.
5:30—Musical Interlude, Wander Co.
5:45—Tom Mix, Rainbow Parade.
6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Potman's Toothpaste.
6:15—Music You Remember, Daughtry Supply Co.
6:30—Classical Review.
7:00—State and Local News, Keel Motor Company.
7:15—Crown Mill Mysteries, Crown Mill.
7:30—Dinner Concert.
7:45—Evening Melodies, G. W. Young and Company.
7:55—Horse of Melody, Capco.
8:15—Songs of the Range, Farm Bureau.
8:30—Musical Interlude.
8:45—Classic Serenade.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Washington Man, Wildroot.
9:30—Music for the Night.
10:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Hansen Tires.
10:30—Sign off.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1945

- 6:55—Schricker Auction.
7:00—News, J. A. Folger Co.
7:15—Seattle Times, G. Fredrickson.
7:30—State and Local News, Boring Optical.
7:45—Jazz Furniture.
7:50—Rhaphody in Wax.
8:00—Theater Guild, Los Angeles Bible Institute.
8:15—Take It Easy Time, Stokely.
8:30—What Do You Know, Bishop Studios.
8:45—Musical Interlude.
9:00—William Lane and The News, Krentel.
9:15—Songs by Morton Downey, Coca Cola.
9:30—Man About Town, Josse and Company.
9:45—Shopper's Guide, Hartha and Marshall Wells.
10:00—Musical Interlude.
10:15—Alka Seltzer News.
10:30—Something to Talk About, Wildroot.
10:45—Methusalem Mountaineers, Methusalem Co.
11:00—Wheel of Fortune.
11:15—Queen of the Day, Alka Seltzer.
11:30—Musical Interlude.
11:45—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer.
12:15—Musical Interlude.
12:30—Radio Summary, Associated Distributors.
12:45—Rhythm at Handum.
1:00—State and Local News, Hansen Motor.
12:45—News-Review of the Air.
12:55—Terminal Market Reports, Six Feet.
1:00—Man on the Street, Benninger's Mart.
1:15—The Johnson Family.
1:30—Style Notes, Lowell's.
1:45—Musical Interlude.
2:00—Musical Hi-Jinks.
2:15—Penny Serenade, Palmer's Grocery.
2:30—Western Serenade.
2:45—Cliff Edwards, 4-Way Cold Tablets.
3:00—Griffin Reporting.
3:15—Dusty Records, Montgomery Ward.
3:30—Sectional Serenade.
3:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
4:00—Rex Miller, National Circuit Co.
4:15—Ernie Johnson, Foxes.
4:30—Let's Get It, Wander Co.
4:45—Musical Clock, Modern Furniture.
5:15—Supperman, Kellogg.
5:30—Capitol Starline, Wander Co.
5:45—Tom Mix, Rainbow Parade.
6:00—Spotlight Parade, Coca Cola.
6:15—N. S. Kasey of Sports, U. S. Tire Store.
6:30—Gabriel Heatter, Krentel.
7:00—State and Local News, Keel Motor.
7:15—Musical Interlude.
7:30—Rhythm Round-Up, Lockwood Motors.
7:45—Lone Lone Ranger.
8:00—Main Line, Southern Pacific.
8:15—Even-Up Time, Seven-Up.
8:30—Alka Seltzer News.
8:45—Rex Miller, State, Inc.
9:00—Service Salute, E. G. High.
9:15—Music for the Nation.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Roseburg Pharmacy.
10:15—Music for the Night.
10:30—Sign Off.

owned production of power had reached a new high in 1944, Robinson credited the increase to "special privileges public power enjoys."

"Freedom from taxation," he declares, "is most valuable and most unfair." Grants by the sovereign power of economic favors of such "great value" bring about, he said, "the destruction of free enterprise and the substitution of government monopoly."

Allies Knew Nazis Were Preparing to Launch Robot Bomb

By FRANK CAREY

(Associated Press Science Writer) WASHINGTON—The Allies had a tipoff that the Germans were preparing to launch robot bombs at least six months before the first buzzer was aimed against London and a defense was planned.

"This information is contained in a scientific report dealing with the development of the VT or proximity fuse for anti-aircraft shells and other missiles. The VT—a miniature radio set which causes a projectile to explode automatically when it gets within 70 feet of a target—is credited with a large share in the defeat of the buzz bombs.

"Late in 1943," says a report by the applied physics laboratory of Johns Hopkins university, which was prominent in the development of VT fuses, "Allied intelligence reports revealed that the Germans were preparing to launch robot bombs against southern England from enemy-held areas in France.

"From the outset, the seriousness of the prospective attack was recognized and plans for the defense of London were started as early as December, 1943."

Had Been Tried The plans included the use of anti-aircraft fire. Since the U. S. and British navies had previously demonstrated the effectiveness of the VT in anti-aircraft fire, the fuse was included in the preparations.

Thus, as early as January, 1944, plans were under way in Arctic island scientific laboratories for testing special fuses against "mock-ups of buzz bombs expected momentarily to be introduced by the Germans."

The first buzz bomb was launched against London in June, 1944, but three months prior to that time shells containing the fuses were issued to 90 millimeter anti-aircraft batteries in England in preparation for the attack.

The fuses saw only limited use in the early stages of the attack. A navy report says, because of "various limitations to anti-aircraft firing or the safety of civilian population."

But their use was gradually stepped up—working in conjunction with improved radar and improved gun-directors until finally, as a report from an army observer declares: "The result of the advent of VT fuses was truly sensational increases in 'kills.'"

DIAL-LOG

We take it for granted that you get up in the A. M. and turn the radio on. But from time to time, it occurs to us that if that isn't your habit, you may not know what you're missing. The early morning 7 news is one of the best on the air and Smile Time at 7:15 is slightly slapping happy, but it's always good for a few chuckles to help perk you up. Each morning there is a devotional program from 8 until 8:30, and Take It Easy Time at 8:30 has some extra-good music. You are probably more familiar with the rest of the morning because most of you listen to the 9 o'clock news, and from reports we've been hearing here and there, all of you listen to Queen for a Day at 11:30.

For tonight there's good transcribed music from 7:30 to 8, Western tunes at 8:15 and Snapshots at 8:30. News from 9 to 9:30 and Fulton Lewis at 10. In fact there's good listening all evening; so be sure to tune in.

Well, I Certainly Didn't Know That . . . That's a common remark on Tuesday evenings for radio listeners who tune in SNAPSHOTS at 8:30 P. M. SNAPSHOTS is a program of thumbnail sketches of one of your neighbors here in Douglas County. Where he came from, how his life has run . . . where he met his wife and a whole heap of inside information.

DON'T MISS Snapshots Tonight 8:30 KRRR 1490 on the Dial

Bedtime Story CLAYTON, N. M., Nov. 6.—(AP)—John Haverfield, Scott City, Kas., cattle buyer, and some of the boys were discussing horses in Haverfield's hotel room. After a particularly glowing description of a colt from Larry Kehoe, Texline, Tex., Haverfield made this proposition: "I'll buy him without ever seeing him if you'll bring him right up here in this room and tie him to the bedpost." And—to the cheers of a crowd in the lobby—that's just what Kehoe did.

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