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## DEDICATED TO DEATH

Memorial Day properly is dedicated to the DEAD. In modern practice it is dedicated to DEATH, for hundreds of lives will be lost through accident over the double holiday. Conceived as a day for solemn observance in honor of the war dead, the holiday soon expanded into a special occasion of remembrance for not only the military but the civilian dead as well—a time to decorate the graves of loved ones, Memorial services for all, with special emphasis on lives lost in service.

While we continue perfunctory recognition of original purposes of the holiday, modern observance has taken the nature of a springtime orgy of pleasure, excitement and danger. Each year sees a mounting death toll; particularly so when, as this year, we enjoy a double holiday. Despite the fact that newspapers are full of warnings and pleas to people to drive carefully and play moderately, we may expect reports from all sections of the country telling of death and injury to hundreds upon hundreds of people as we count the weekend casualty list.

The Memorial Day vacation comes at a time when we have been confined by cold and inclement weather for many months and normally furnishes the first opportunity for a great number of us to get outdoors. Consequently, in our exuberance, we are particularly susceptible to accident. We tend to travel too fast to reach our destination. We play too hard. Unaccustomed to strenuous exertion, we tend to overdo our fishing, hiking, swimming or other sports.

So, with only a casual thought to the original purpose of the day, we proceed to dedicate the holiday to death itself by offering our bodies upon altars of carelessness, negligence, thoughtlessness and overindulgence.

Knowing that our words will fall on deaf ears, we can only add our voice to the general plea that we observe the holidays with moderation.

## Forest Fires Are Wasteful

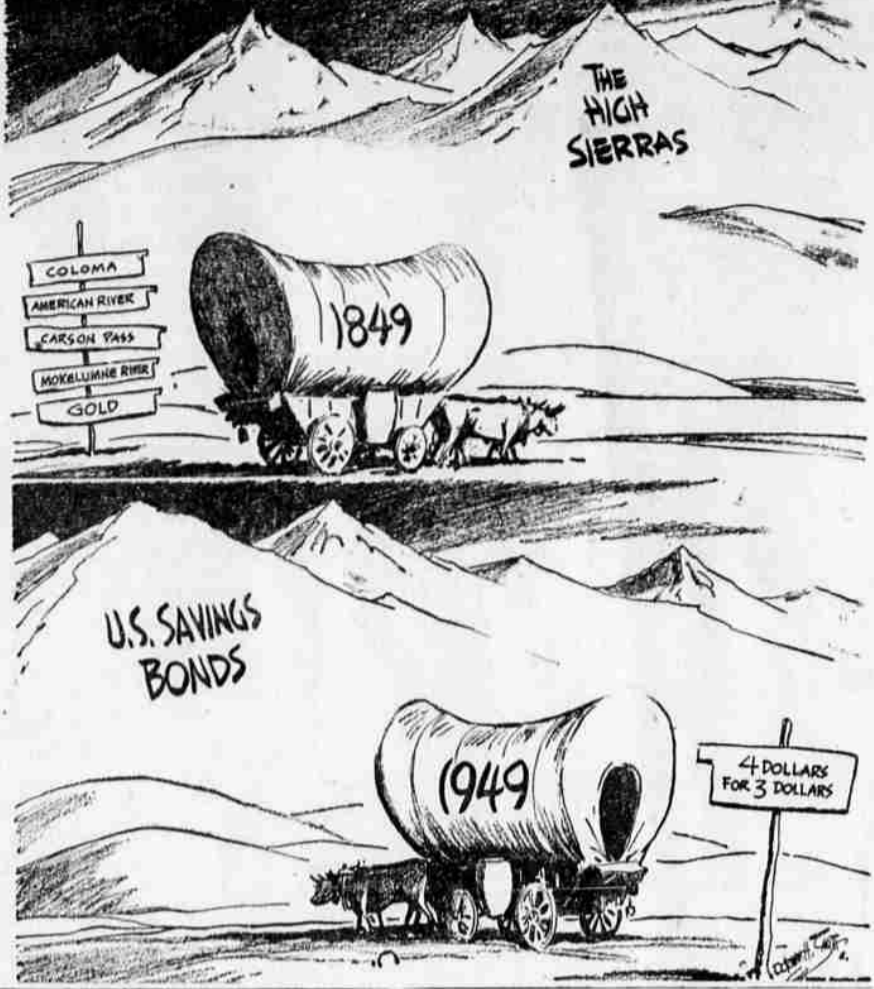
Impressive evidence of the waste occasioned by forest fires is found in the fact that the amount of money spent in fighting the recent blaze on Beaver Creek in the South Umpqua district of the Umpqua National Forest was approximately the same sum the local office had sought to build a road to salvage down timber in the old burn. The Beaver Creek fire of 1929 left snags and fallen trees over several thousand acres. Examination disclosed approximately 100,000,000 board feet of merchantable timber available for salvage. Efforts were made to secure access road money to permit removal of snags and down logs while recoverable values still were present.

Cost of the road was estimated at about \$50,000. Lightning recently struck in the heart of the old burn and the resultant fire raged for several days through the tangle of snags and down timber, necessitating the employment, transportation, feeding and supplying of several hundred men at a cost of from \$50,000 to \$75,000. Had access road money been available earlier, the road constructed and timber removed, the fire would have been of lesser proportion, because it would not have had such suitable material in which to burn, while the logs lost in the recent blaze would have produced many jobs and considerable profit.

## Seed Business In Southern Oregon Fields Rescued By Use Of DDT

Airplane application of DDT to Southern Oregon legume seed fields has largely solved a previously baffling difficulty that had cut down seed yields to the point where they were unprofitable. Louis Gentner, entomologist of the Southern Oregon Branch experiment station, was called on by growers to examine typical fields on an emergency service basis two years ago. He discovered three pests that appeared to be damaging the crops of ladino clover, alfalfa and Lotus corniculatus (birdfoot trefoil). These were lygus bugs and thrips working on the tops, and slugs around the stalk crowns. Lygus bugs are general feeders with sucking mouth parts, and when immature look like extra large aphids. Both they and the thrips, tiny black insects, attacked flower parts, preventing them from maturing seed. First control applications were made late in the spring of 1947 on a few fields in Jackson County. Greatly improved yields resulted, indicating that good control could be had with earlier, properly timed applications. Germination improved. Last year most of the large growers in Jackson County applied dust at times indicated by Gentner's report on insect conditions. Applications were made about the middle of June and middle of July. Timing depends on the season, Gentner explains. Yields last year were back to their former levels and germination was improved 10 percent or more. The latter alone would pay for the cost of dusting, according to growers. While airplane dusting has been generally used as quicker and cheaper, any method of getting the dust on at the right time is effective. A few Josephine County ladino clover seed growers tried dusting last year for the first time and obtained average yields of 133 pounds per acre compared with only 64 pounds on similar fields not dusted. One grower with an excellent stand and full blossom set failed to dust and got only 48 pounds of seed per acre. "We would be out of the seed business by now except for Gentner's work," one Jackson County grower declared. WEST MELROSE CLUB HAS INTERESTING MEETING THURSDAY An interesting all-day meeting was held by the West Melrose Club Thursday at the home of Mrs. James Munroe. Mrs. Fenn gave a fine demonstration on "Slip covering of a chair." A potluck luncheon was enjoyed at noon by Mrs. E. R. Fenn, Mrs. E. M. Seeley, Mrs. Eli Sanders, Mrs. Ed Moon, Mrs. H. G. Thompson and the hostess, Mrs. Munroe. The next meeting will be June 2 at a one-thirty o'clock dessert-luncheon at the home of Mrs. Seeley. All members are urged to be present.

## Argonauts



## Scrapes from the MENDING BADILET

By Viahnett S. Martin

While I was in California I missed seeing Eleanor Boyd, national president of the Gold Star Mothers; she was out of town, making official visits to chapters, apparently indefatigable, and never flagging in the work to which she has dedicated herself in memory of two sons, both in the Air Force. The Boyds, Eleanor and her husband, Dr. Walter H. Boyd, leave their Long Beach home as often as their duties permit, and enjoy their lovely ranch in the Malibu mountains, where not even a telephone reaches them. The house, built of stone, sprawls on top of a peak which appears to have been sliced off to make a level place just large enough for it. The view is a thrill to city-bound guests: mountains, glens, with cattle dotting the landscape. At the end of a trail on another peak is a flag pole; whenever Dr. Boyd is at the ranch he sees to it that the colors are raised and lowered on the exact minute; he will stand with watch in hand, waiting. There is a cross, too, dedicated to the two brothers for whom the ranch is named in Spanish: El Rancho dos los Hermanos. Eleanor, who wears silver slippers and a long lace gown with grace and charm, dons high boots and khaki for the ranch. She drives her jeep with nonchalance over whatever terrain happens to be in front of it; breaking her arm, in so doing, was a mere trifle to her. When the Dalmatians warn her that intruders are after the chickens, Eleanor—if she happens to be alone at the ranch—puts an end to the foxes with well-placed shots. She thinks nothing of staying alone in the isolated ranch house, if Doctor Boyd cannot be there. There is a caretaker's cottage, down the winding road, a mile away. When the caretaker and his family suddenly departed for the bright lights, the lady of the ranch forked hay for the stock until another caretaker arrived. Right now Eleanor Boyd is putting her heart into establishing a Gold Star Mother's Foundation, raising funds for this project. It is a very practical 'dream' of a cottage-type home for any Gold Star Mother, in the days ahead, should she have need. A living memorial.

## In the Day's News

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Japs (with the help of our allies) and ever since we've BEEN FEEDING THEM. We've figured that we had to, if we didn't, in their hunger and desperation they'd turn to communism. So, it seems likely, if the communists are unable to feed the Chinese in Shanghai (we've been feeding them so far) these Chinese will go ANTI-COMMUNIST. The world is full of odd situations.  
HERE'S another slant on the fighting in China: "The United States and British consulates (in Shanghai) have been trying to intercede with both sides for a cease-fire order to enable trapped foreigners and other non-combatants to escape from the Embankment building (in the heart of the city)." "One report said that foreign and Chinese residents of the building had offered Chinese Nationalist soldiers money to evacuate the building and eliminate it as a prime target." "The soldiers replied that if they left they would be shot by garrison troops, and if they stayed they would be shot by the red troops."  
IF that isn't a sad mess, it would be hard to imagine one.  
HERE'S a rather interesting one from San Francisco: "Harry Bridges, left-wing West Coast labor leader, and two of his top aides have been indicted by a federal grand jury on perjury and conspiracy charges stemming from Bridges' citizenship hearing in 1945." "Bridges' union promptly assailed the indictments as a 'political frame-up' by the Truman ad-

## VITAL STATISTICS

Marriage Licenses  
CANN—James Robison Cann and Mildred Louise Arne, both of Cottage Grove.  
McFARLAND-DeROSS—John Harold McFarland and Lillian LaVelle DeRoss, both of Roseburg.  
Divorce Suits Filed  
HANSEN—Doris E. vs. Herbert W. Hansen, Married Aug. 7, 1940, at Las Vegas, Nev. Cruel and inhuman treatment charged. Custody of their two children and \$25 a month support for each asked.

WOLGAMOTT — Grace vs. Walter Wolgamott, Married at Medford June 2, 1942. Custody of their one child and \$40 a month support asked. Cruel and inhuman treatment charged.

Divorce Suit Dismissed  
AUSTIN—Bette vs. Robert Austin, upon motion of the plaintiff.

BETA SIGMA PHI CITY COUNCIL MEETS TUESDAY NIGHT  
Beta Sigma Phi City Council met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Wayne E. Crooch. Chapters activities and reports were given and all girls were urged to work on the float whenever possible.

Mrs. Jackson Beaman installed the incoming officers and Mrs. R. B. Rhodes announced committee chairmen for the year's activities. Lovely refreshments were served by Mrs. Crooch, Mrs. M. C. Bowker and Mrs. Charles R. Williamson to Mrs. H. C. Church, Mrs. J. R. Wharton, Mrs. George Luoma, Mrs. R. B. Rhodes, Mrs. Frank Wickham, Dr. Eleanor Carlson, Mrs. Worth Davis, Mrs. Robert Phillips, Mrs. Jackson Beaman, Mrs. E. F. Marcell, Mrs. Harrison Winston, Mrs. John Killip, Mrs. Jack Fariss Jr., Mrs. Eugene Powell, Mrs. Eugene Krewson and Miss Ethel Van Voorst.

The Council has adjourned until fall.

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Editorial Comment  
From The Oregon Press  
The Bend Bulletin  
Every so often we read that some important figure in public life has asserted that in his "considered judgment" so and so is the case. He then proceeds to elaborate. Our objection to the phrase has now reached the boiling point and we rise to the protest. It seems to us that a judgment is a judgment and when it is announced the word obviously carries the understanding that it is considered. A snap judgment, probably, should be described as such but unless it is a snap action there is no point in calling it considered. We wish the use of the word might be ended. It's our

## Batch Of Civil Actions Filed In Circuit Court

Portland Loan Company, in a suit filed in Circuit Court against Elvin H. Beard, asks judgment for \$300 on a promissory note and additional \$100 punitive damages, because of an alleged false representation concerning a chattel mortgage given to secure the note. Douglas Creditors Association has filed suit to collect from Erma Wait and Lois Wait assigned accounts for \$65 and \$249. Helen Cardwell Hammock, in a suit brought against Albert G. and Harvey Joe Utne, alias Joe H. Utne, asks to have a five-year lease on property dismissed, on grounds of an alleged breach of contract by subleasing a portion of the property to Glen Beach. The property is described as lot 1, block 1, Bushey's Addition to Roseburg, and is bounded by North Jackson, East Second Avenue South and Fowler Street. Fred Archer in a suit filed against Floyd Knot, asks damages of \$265.50 as the result of an automobile collision which allegedly took place on Highway 99, four and one-half miles north of Myrtle Creek on Feb. 20, 1949. A complaint filed by Harry Wiesblatt and Alice Wiesblatt, doing business as Wiesblatt's, asks judgment for \$333.40 against Ira Sornes, doing business as Nifty Frock Shop, Ira Sornes and John Doe Sornes. The amount asked is allegedly due for goods, wares and merchandise sold by the plaintiffs to the defendants. H. G. Von Nida asks judgment for \$279.53 from Hobart Hand-saker as the amount alleged due for groceries and supplies sold by the plaintiff to the defendant at Glide.

Some coin-operated vending machines make and return change if a larger value coin is used in it.

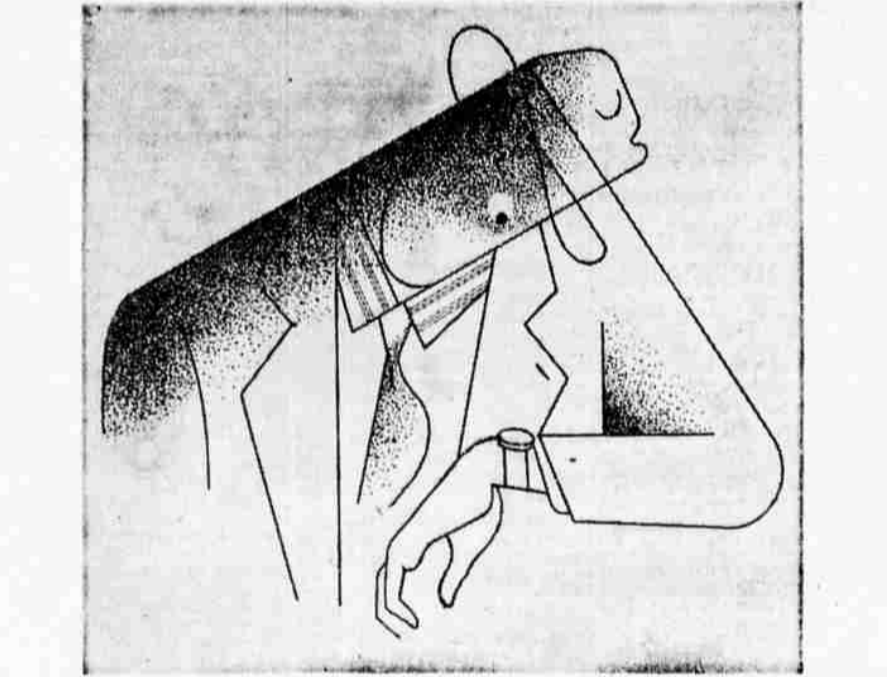
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