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## GOOD INSURANCE

By CHARLES V. STANTON

A national guardsman has a far better than average chance to survive military action asserts Major General Thomas E. Rilea, adjutant general for the State of Oregon.

Current recruiting drives by various branches of the armed services are using the survival argument to speed enlistments, says the general, who declares that the national guard has a decided edge in any such debate.

General Rilea, we believe, has a strong argument—one to be easily defended by the record.

Oregon's gallant 41st division took part in some of the hardest fighting of the last war. It set a record never equalled by any army in world history when it maintained contact with the enemy for 75 days of continuous action and spent 85 continuous days in the combat area. No other troops in world history have been so long under sustained combat conditions.

The 41st division was first in amphibious landings. It pioneered many new forms of fighting. It encountered the stiffest opposition. It received more decorations than any similar unit in the Pacific theater. Yet it had comparatively few casualties.

The Roseburg company, for instance, with an enlisted strength of 126 men, lost only three men in action. Other companies had comparable records.

### War Correspondent Enthused

We recall an "off-the-record" conversation with a press association correspondent during the early days of the U. S. come-back in the Pacific. He had accompanied the 41st division on some of its landings. He had previously watched action in the European theater. He was not permitted to write what he had seen, nor could he tell his experiences except to those sworn to secrecy. He told us how one outfit of another division had been torn to pieces in a landing, but how the 41st went into the same area, carefully handling its advance, wiping out every enemy position before moving forward, taking the objective without casualty. He was enthusiastic in his praise of teamwork and coordination.

Statistics show casualty rate in national guard units to be extremely low percentage-wise. This condition is achieved because men learn how to protect themselves—are thoroughly trained both in defense and offense.

### Bullets Not Worst Killers

Many people fail to realize that bullets from enemy weapons do not produce as many casualties as other causes. Inadequate training in personal hygiene results in much illness and many deaths. Men are killed or wounded through lack of knowledge and familiarity with equipment. Carelessness costs as many lives as enemy action.

Service in the national guard gives members knowledge of camp life, personal hygiene, use of weapons, experience with army vehicles and equipment. The men work together, learn coordination and teamwork and gain theoretical combat techniques in armory drills and periodic encampments. When eventually called into service, guardsmen usually get as much or more federal training as enlistees or draftees, and thus have the advantage of all the additional training they have previously obtained, coupled with ability in looking after themselves and getting along with others.

Combat records show that casualties are most numerous during the first few days of action. Within a very short time men become veterans. After they learn methods of protection, combat procedure, defensive techniques, etc., their chances for survival increase with each day's knowledge. National guardsmen already are well advanced in the art of warfare before entering combat. Thus, though exposed to risk, they have learned how to survive.

Membership in the Oregon national guard would seem to us to be mighty good insurance for the young man expecting military service.

## Scapes from the MENDING BASKET

By Vahnett S. Martin

When I heard that the children of Oregon were to vote by mail for the songs they wished to hear on the all-request program on their School of the Air activity, I made a point of finding out what their ten favorite songs would be. Maybe you have heard; if not, here they are:

First, way out in front of all the songs in this world which the children might have chosen was — you probably guessed it — that lovely ditty, "The Thing." The director was a good sport. She kept her word, led off with "The Thing," the other nine were: Oh, What a Beautiful Morning, Four-leafed Clover, The Harbor Lights, Tea for Two, Tennessee Waltz, Dear Hearts and Gentle People, Buttons and Bows, The Galway Piper — oh, well, can't I count?

Well, I must have left out one, and I can't think which one it was. Anyway you have the general idea. — Children! Unpredictable, and such fun to work with, even when they are most difficult, if you know what I mean. We remember the difficulties, and laugh at them later, if we can't manage it at the time.

A friend who would have been so lovely with children said to me once: "I'm glad I never had any children. Now I can't suffer the agony of losing one." One of the most extraordinary things I ever heard said. Any mother who must depend upon treasured memories is surely grateful for the precious years given her.

Sometimes you hear it said, "I wish we had had children." I can't understand why children

### Portland Tot Confirmed User Of Tobacco

PORTLAND — (AP) — Elizabeth Quetlio, Portland, is a confirmed tobacco user at the age of less than 4 years.

Not only does she smoke cigars, cigarettes and a pipe, but chews tobacco as well.

Her father, P. Z. Quetlio, grocery store operator, said his daughter has apparently suffered no ill effects. He and the little girl's mother have tried to break her of the habit, but have had no success, he said.

She got the habit by raiding the tobacco counter at the store while no one was looking, Quetlio said.

## Shots Heard Round The World



## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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policy that can be as completely understood BY EVERYBODY as the Monroe Doctrine was.

I think something else is wrong with us. We haven't much confidence in our leadership.

Moisture is heavily involved in the news today.

Up in northwest Washington and over the line in British Columbia there is far, far too much of it. Back in Columbia, Pa. (pop. 12,000) it's so scarce that people are rationed to a quart a day for drinking purposes and personal habits such as bathing and shaving are severely frowned on.

The trouble in Pennsylvania is practically a dead ringer for what happened over in Paisley. Ice broke up in a stream and a jam formed. Polluted flood water flowed around the jam and got into Columbia's water works.

They have water enough, but it isn't fit to use.

From erudite Boston comes another shivery suggestion. A chemist there says that in case of an A-bomb attack CANNED water will be the only safe drink. He says he has invented a way to can water so it will keep for years and years, and he adds that every city that wants to be on the safe side should can a lot of it and keep it in buried stockpiles. (The way po-

## Cities Of Oregon Ask Bigger Share Of Liquor Funds

SALEM — (AP) — City officials told a ways and means legislative subcommittee they must have more state liquor funds because to enforce liquor laws.

The cities don't have enough money.

Morris Milbank, Grants Pass mayor and president of the League of Oregon Cities, supported the bill to give the cities about \$850,000 a year, or 10 percent of state liquor revenues. This would be 10 times as much money as the cities now get from liquor revenues.

Milbank said that before prohibition, cities got a lot of money by licensing saloons and other liquor outlets. But now practically all of this revenue goes to the state.

He said Grants Pass officers spend one-third of their time to handling liquor violations.

Mayor Robert Thompson, Klamath Falls, said his city might have to build a new jail because of the big increase in liquor law violations.

The senate highway committee held a hearing on a bill to make logging truck trailers be equipped with mud flaps. Logging industry officials said they wouldn't oppose the bill, and they estimated it would cost \$50 to equip each trailer.

Each holiday costs the state \$123,000, Rep. Rudie Wilhelm Jr., Portland, told a ways and means legislative subcommittee.

He said that would be the cost of making Columbus day a holiday again. The Senate already has voted to make it a holiday, like it was before 1949.

The estimated cost is based on the payroll to state employees for one day.

## Continuous Use Weakens Punch Of Anti-Histamine Drugs, Physicians Declare

NEW YORK — AP — Anti-histamine drugs lose some of their punch when you use them continuously, two physicians reported.

Resistance is built up by repeated use and they become a little less effective, Dr. T. B. Dannenberg, of the Permanente Foundation, Oakland, Calif., and Dr. S. M. Feinberg, of Northwestern university, told the American Academy of Allergy.

This resistance lasts about a week. If anti-histamines are not taken for a time they will have their original effectiveness when started again.

Such resistance happens with other drugs, and had been suspected for the anti-histamines.

Drs. Dannenberg and Feinberg demonstrated it by objective tests. One method was injecting small amounts of histamine under the skin. The injections caused hives, the size depending upon the amount of histamine injected.

Then the volunteers started taking anti-histamine, three times a day. Within two weeks and drugs were not so effective in counteracting the hives. The test was what happened to the size of the hives.

Switching to another type of anti-histamine did not help. The resistance was to anti-histamine.

The finding may apply to people who take anti-histamine regularly to counteract an allergy, as a hay fever victim seeking protection in the hay fever season. So far as these tests go, it doesn't apply to any one taking anti-histamine occasionally.

Oxygen Holds Danger

There can be danger in giving oxygen to some people with severe bronchial asthma, said Drs. Irving W. Schiller, William Franklin and Francis C. Lowell, of Boston university medical school, and Dr. Henry D. Beale, of the University of Pennsylvania.

The extra oxygen, or too much of it too fast, may send them into coma, delirium, nervous upsets, or might even cause death, they said.

The patients' trouble is that they cannot breathe out normally to get rid of carbon dioxide. The gas builds up and depresses the breath-

## Army Man Held For Payroll Theft

CLEVELAND — (AP) — FBI agents took First Lt. Donald W. Spencer of Somerset, O., into custody on a charge of running away from his army base with \$12,000 in stolen cash.

Spencer, who is 33, married, and the father of two children, was to appear before a U. S. commissioner for arraignment.

When police caught him on the outskirts of Mansfield, O., he admitted at once he stole the payroll money at Fort Eustis, Va.

Ray J. Abbatocio Jr., special agent in charge of the FBI's Cleveland office, said.

As a pay officer, Spencer was entrusted with the cash to give soldiers at Fort Eustis their salaries on Jan. 31. Instead, he fled with the money, the FBI reported, and by the time he was arrested claimed he had only \$2,360 left.

The rest, he was quoted as saying, was spent on such high living as rounds of champagne for strangers in various bars, heavy bets on the horses and tours of gambling casinos in the south.

## Pilot Escapes Uninjured In Fiery Bomber Dive

KALAMATH FALLS — (AP) — An air force plane burst aflame 14,000 feet above the Chiloquin Indian reservation Saturday, but the pilot managed to sweep down to earth unharmed.

He was Capt. Billy Means, Oakland, Calif., who was flying a P-51 Mustang from Moses Lake, Wash., to Hayward, Calif., when it caught fire.

He dove through clouds, saw an emergency airfield on the reservation, and ground-looped to a landing. The plane was badly damaged, but Means walked away unscathed.

## CAMP ELIGIBILITY

Former Camp Fire Girls who do not have regular groups may become eligible to go to camp if they bring their Camp Fire memberships up to date, according to Mrs. Morris Bowker, president of the Camp Fire board. Bringing eligibility up to date may be done by paying dues of \$1 at the Camp Fire office in Miller's store.

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## Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT

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WASHINGTON — Chiang Kai-Shek has had a wily crew of Chinese counter-intelligence agents on his payroll for a number of years now whose principal assignment was keeping track of state department officials and other Americans who traveled to China to hold hands with Communists there.

Senator Pat McCarran, Nevada Democrat, who is setting up a staff designed once and for all to bring out the Reds on the federal payroll, might be able to borrow some of Chiang's files. The State department probably would again cut off military aid to Chiang if McCarran did get access to the files, but it might be worth it in the long run.

For instance, one document in a strong box on Formosa, where Chiang is holed in with a 400,000-man army, is particularly interesting in the light of a lot of testimony by certain State department officials regarding their activities in China.

John Stewart Service, one of the State department diplomats a rrested by the FBI in the Amerasia case, but later released; Philip Jaffe convicted of possessing top secret State department files, and a number of others who figured in the Tydings whitewash investigation of Reds in the government received considerable attention from Chiang's footpads.

A copy of the document is already in senatorial hands. It makes interesting reading. For instance, it relates how an intelligence agent in a U. S. embassy in China kept peddling secrets to the Communists for transmittal to Vassili M. Zubelin, chief secretary of the Soviet embassy in Washington.

Other details in the report, which lists the license number of a automobile used by Americans on island trips to China to confer with the Communists, disclose the activities of Communist women and their American boy friends.

The report, translated from Chinese into English several days ago by experts in the Library of Congress, gives particular attention to one feminine operative.

This Mati Hari wandered from bar to bed all over China, concentrating on Americans who looked like soft touches for the Communists. Some were not so hard to persuade.

This woman is the present wife of a Chinese Communist who was in the U. S. not long ago as a member of the nine-man Communist cease-fire delegation from Peiping to the United Nations. Mamma stayed home. She was busy.

The local Chinese intelligence agents on Chiang's payroll describe her in words of Oriental understatement, thus:

Using her title as a newspaper correspondent, along with others, she frequently ran about among the personnel of the various embassies in China, the American news office, and the correspondents of various nations in order to ferret out information, even sacrificing without compunction womanly qualities in order to accomplish the mission. A particular objective of hers was — — — — — "Until such time as the document is made part of an official record the names will not be printed here."

One or two State department officials at the Tydings fiasco admitted knowing the woman, one even admitted being on friendlier terms with her husband.

The Nationalist Chinese intelligence report, one of several dozen in and around Washington, doesn't

## Capitalist's Death By Bullet Labeled Suicide

SAN MARINO, Calif. — (AP) — Lester G. Patee, 65, wealthy retired auto dealer, whose wife is contesting the \$13,900,000 estate of Tommy Lee, was found shot to death Tuesday in his bathroom.

Police Chief Glenn F. McClung called it suicide.

Patee had put the barrel of a .38 caliber revolver in his mouth and pulled the trigger, McClung said. He blamed ill health from a growing arthritic condition.

Until his retirement 15 years ago, Patee for 30 years had the Pasadena agency for Don Lee motors. Mrs. Patee and Mrs. Lee were sisters.

Thomas S. Lee, 45, heir of Don Lee, who founded the auto and radio fortune, plunged to his death 13 months ago from a Los Angeles building. Since then both the auto agency and radio network have been sold—the former for \$1,000,000; the latter for \$12,300,000.

Beneficiary under a 13-word will is an uncle of Tommy Lee, R. D. Merrill, Seattle, Wash., lumberman.

Mrs. Patee's contest asserted that the will had been altered in another person's handwriting, and that he had intended to make Merrill only the executor—not the beneficiary.

## LAMB PRICE AT RECORD

CHICAGO — (AP) — Lamb sales soared to new record price heights Monday and hogs touched a new five-month peak in an active trade.

Woolled lambs jumped to \$39.00 a hundred pounds, and fall-shorn kinds reached \$36.00. Both topped last week's previous record highs.

## ALARM AIDS CHIEF

WATCH HILL, R. I. — (AP) — Surprised residents of this community saw Fire Chief Edwin Barber drive up to a pole, leap out of his automobile and yank the fire alarm box.

As the apparatus rolled up, chief Barber directed the men in extinguishing a brisk blaze under the hood of his car.

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