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RECREATION CENTER

We have noted with interest that several have suggested recently we should make an effort to establish a sort of a recreation center to serve the youth of Cottage Grove and surrounding communities. This seems to be the one project uppermost in the minds of the public and one which deserves attention if we are to help provide the proper environment for our young people.

A proposal has been made that such a center be constructed on the city property across from the park on East Main street together with suitable quarters for the 4-H fair or South Lane fair. This or another location would provide a building site for projects of this nature, which many other communities are planning.

The main hurdle is to provide proper finances for such an undertaking. With all the other demands being made on the city for this, that and the other, it would hardly be possible for the city to finance such building program. It has been suggested that the Chamber of Commerce might help in this by making a special levy among the members and starting a building fund. Other organizations could share in the project, which together with what the city or other agencies would furnish would provide the necessary building or buildings.

DECEMBER 14th RED LETTER DAY

South Lane health officials and others are especially anxious that the public give the mobile X-ray unit, coming here December 14, a good response. The coming of this unit is made possible by the sale of Christmas seals. The most important factor is the effort to stamp out tuberculosis. Fifteen thousand dollars worth of equipment is being brought here as a public service. Cost of the service while here is \$128.00, which will be given free to 300 individuals in X-ray pictures.

Special attention is being given the adult between 35 and 65 years. Long working hours may have brought symptoms of tuberculosis to many unsuspecting individuals.

This is your opportunity to get a free test. For you it may mean the difference between sickness and health.

TIME FOR A SHOW-DOWN

In a recent letter to Representative Gore, Democrat, of Tennessee, Bernard M. Baruch gave the people of the United States sound advice and warned labor and management to settle their differences or face government intervention. He recommended an inventory of the resources of our nation so we might have "an over-all picture of the balance sheet of the country."

He also urged an examination of our productive capacity to see that enough of what is produced remains in the United States to avoid disastrous inflation, and then how much to allocate for the rehabilitation of Europe, China, the Philippines.

"Unless this dividing is done wisely, we will sing and the whole world will go down with us. We should direct our aid to foreign countries by giving priority to those who need the most and who will use it to help set themselves on their feet."

"If we promise loans to foreigners, the money will be useless if they cannot buy the goods from our production here."

"Such demands will further inflation temporarily because they aggravate demands here. There is no use giving foreigners credit (for our citizens greater buying power through increased wages and decreased taxes) unless we are willing to establish priorities which will ration our production where we want it to go until production increases."

"We must be careful when we give aid to other countries, that this aid is not used to nationalize their industries against us, to destroy our own competitive system which, I think, should be preserved. England, Czechoslovakia, France and other countries are nationalizing or about to nationalize their industries. Russia has totalized herself—one buyer and one seller—and is totalizing all countries coming under her aegis."

Mr. Baruch might well have gone farther and said that our Federal policy of making loans and grants in our own country to "nationalize" great segments of American industry, through government ownership and competition, is as destructive of American enterprise as are loans to foreign nations that promote similar socialization of productive activity.

Mr. Baruch stressed the inescapable fact that the race between rising wages and prices is a creature of "our own procrastination and negligence." Everything should have been included in the original price control bill—all the elements of cost, wages, rents. "Failure to do so has started the race. . . ."

"Tax reductions should have been more considered, outlined and then put into effect, and only after the inventory into our national wealth and liabilities was known. . . . Even now it would not take long. . . . Then we would have the facts—not fictions stirred by all the contending pressure groups trying to help themselves in prices, wages and taxes for their own interests and ignoring the general good."

Office Boy: "Please, sir, may I have the afternoon off?"

Boss Man: "It's your grandmother again, I suppose?"

Office Boy: "Yes, sir. She's making her first parachute jump, you know."

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Robert Plaster Tells of Typhoons And Other Sights

readiness to obey and carry out our commands, and the great desire for American cigarettes. There wasn't much of value to buy with the Yen we were provided with, and most of it we could get was the same thing we find in our 5 and 10c stores. However, it was all new and different for me and I shall have many memories of Japan to tell you more about later.

"On the 4th of October we got underway from Wakanoura Wan for Hiro Wan, near Kure, Honshu, Japan. Passage was then made around the island of Shikoku to the entrance of Bungo Suido (Channel). The Montpelier was the first large warship of the Navy to enter Bungo Suido since the beginning of the war. Navigation through the channel in the early morning of the 5th was made difficult by heavy seas, rain, and winds of almost typhoon intensity. As dawn broke and the weather cleared, many small mushroom like islands appeared like sentries, guarding the passage that would have been almost impossible in wartime, for Japanese gun emplacements and caves could be spotted on many of these islands. The ship threaded its way between these islands and minefields, passing into the Inland Sea at 11:28. Two Japanese Naval Officers from Kure came aboard with charts of Kure and Hiro showing all the defense installations, and also producing the required list of Jap shipping in the area. The following day, the ship anchored in Hiro Wan. Transports, amphibious craft, and supply ships followed, and landings were made by the 41st Infantry Division on the 7th and 8th. This was the second landing in Japan that the Montpelier covered—the third and last was that at Matsuyama, Shikoku, Japan, made by the 24th Division on October 22nd.

"We feel like we're really making history out here—and after a few tours around the vicinity of Kure, we have seen history that has already been made. Even from our ship you can see the decks and superstructure of the former Japanese battleship Hyuga. Now she is only a twisted mass of rusting iron with her decks and turrets awash. Then as you go through the strait north of Kurahashi Shima towards Kure you see remains of the battleships Ise and Haruna (of Colin Kelly fame), several carriers and three old cruisers. All of these pay grim tribute to the fighting strength of our forces. The LCVP (landing craft) took us on past all these towards Hiroshima. I'm not going to try and describe what we saw in this first "atomized" city, but here are the words of a correspondent. "As a war correspondent in Europe and the Pacific, I have never looked upon such scenes of death and destruction. It was enough to take your breath away when standing in the center of the area where the bomb fell. You would see nothing but rubble and the seared walls of a few earthquake proof buildings that remained upright. Steel was twisted and tile was burned into dust. The wood was charred and torn into small fragments. Air raid shelters were crushed in. . . . We walked

past large granite buildings from which fragments were still dropping (nearly a month after) . . . even the trees were killed . . . birds that looked like buzzards perched on the torn leafless trees. A 'visit' to Hiroshima is an experience to leave one shaken by the terrible incredible sights. Here is final proof of what mechanical and scientific genius has been able to accomplish in war through the invention of the airplane and the atomic bomb. . . . I needed no more persuasion than what I saw with my own eyes—those of us who were there realize how much we owe to the ingenuity of our scientists.

"Then riding back from Hiroshima we take a turn through the Kure Naval Basin which was Japan's Naval Center and see what is left of their navy—also their two-man submarines which are now being destroyed. It was there in Kure that the ship obtained enough Japanese rifles so that each of us can bring one home as a souvenir—they don't compare with ours in workmanship, but they sure will make a good trophy." Regards, BOB.

From Old Files

10 YEARS AGO

One of the coldest days recorded during November occurred this year when the thermometer reached 11 degrees above zero.

Eleven federal employees are still working here in connection with flood control of the Coast Fork.

Tariff cut gives lumber a real jolt.

The junior class will present a play Dec. 13 entitled "Huckleberry Finn."

Charles Boslaugh has returned from Florence and has taken a part-time job with the Imperial barber shop.

Mrs. Mary Hambrick and a nephew, Harold Villas, returned Sunday from Seapose.

Robert (Bob) Dusenberry of this city, student of Ashland Normal, is among 20 football players awarded letters for the 1935 season.

Tom Kern, student of O.S.C., spent the holidays with his parents, C. J. Kerns.

Elmer Mason and Mike McKibben were chosen on the all-star football team.

THOUGHTLETS

By Carl B. Baker

Could it be possible that General Motors were just plain stubborn? Does one reach ultimate greatness when the family dog fight makes radio headlines?

General Hurley's eruption may have been good for the nation.

If the Dutch rulers in Java had given less attention to exploiting the people and more attention to local enlightenment there might have been no Indonesian uprising.

In a democracy majority must rule, but a majority is not always right.

There may be honorable poverty as well as dishonorable wealth.

No one can read the Bible with understanding if he has no imagination.

My old Reed & Kellogg Grammar said "Hell is paved with good intentions."

Poverty of soul is a much greater handicap than poverty of purse.

LION ROARS

December 7 is the date of the Christmas Formal the student council has announced. It will be held at 8:30 in the Cottage Grove gymnasium and the admission will be 75c per person or 50c per couple. The band engaged for this occasion is Herschel Davis.

The committee heads for the dance are: Dixie Bushell, decorations; Joyce Land, refreshments; June Mendell, programs.

Noted Lecturer to Talk

The Valleus, noted lecturers, will demonstrate the art of hypnotism and speak on the history and superstitions concerning the subject, in an assembly to be held Friday, December 7 at 8:45 a. m. in the auditorium.

The entertainment is a national assembly program and will be sponsored by the F.F.A. The proceeds will be used to purchase new jackets for the officers of this organization.

Dr. Howard Kershner from the Children Federation, spoke at the high school Friday, November 30.

He explained to the students the three ways in which the citizens of Cottage Grove can help the undernourished, poorly clothed children of Europe. (1) Clothing and shoes will be collected at the high school (2) a child may be sponsored or "adopted" by an individual or organization (3) a school in France, Belgium, Holland, or Norway may be sponsored.

Several high school organizations are planning to sponsor either a school or a child.

Saginaw

The Friendly Neighbors club met at the home of Mrs. Margaret Keene Thursday afternoon. There were 8 members present and Mrs. Ethel Cline was a visitor. It was voted to buy the Christmas candy again this year for the children in the community. Two contests were presented by the hostess.

Inez Montieth winning 1st prize in one contest and Mrs. Hill winning 1st in the other. Ruby Benston won both the 2nd prizes. The next club meeting will be at the home of Inez Montieth Dec. 13. This will be the Christmas party with exchange of gifts and a program and also the club's birthday party.

Miss Goldie Hayes entertained at dinner Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Benston and Cliff Hiner, in honor of her brother Earl's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Carter and children spent a couple days recently with relatives at Medford.

Tom Getty who was recently discharged from the services is visiting here at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Getty.

Arthur Miller who has been with the 41st division in Japan, spent several days last week with his mother, Mrs. J. Schwartz.

Mrs. Harley Williams and Mrs. Kenneth Zumwalt spent several days last week in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sharon of Coos Bay spent Friday night and Saturday at the William Sharon home. Other relatives from Coos Bay came Saturday to attend the funeral of Chas. and William's mother, Mrs. C. H. Sharon, who was buried at Walker Saturday.

Mrs. R. W. Hill of Cottage Grove was a dinner guest of Mrs. Ruby Benston Thursday.

Tony Sells, who was hit by a

car as he was coming home from night watching at the Saginaw mill Thursday night, is getting along satisfactorily at a hospital in Eugene.

Mrs. Ethel Cline, who was brought home from a hospital in Eugene several days ago, is staying at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard Keene, until able to go to her own home.

Several in this community have been ill with the flu and colds.



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