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TRIBUTE TO THE AA

A national news magazine recently devoted two pages to the consumption of liquor in the United States and many problems connected with its increasing use.

Aside from giving some relief to those suffering with the hardening of the arteries, anticipated benefits from the consumption of liquor must be written off as nil.

A good many people starting out as social drinkers, have ended both their business and social careers as alcoholics. And to the people facing a problem of this sort there is only one organization we know of that has offered an effective remedy.

The work of the AA has not been publicized, but thousands of people in the United States have been restored to normal life thru its influence in recent years, because the AA is only a recent organization as time is counted.

INCREASED COLLEGE ENROLLMENT VERSUS LOWER COLLEGE STANDARDS

When it was decided several years ago that both high school and college benefits should be extended to more people, possibly educators figured the easiest way to reach the goal was to lower the entrance standards; at least this seems to be what happened.

Thirty years ago, the average college or university required Latin or Greek to graduate. Now a student may select one of twenty-five or thirty courses, none of which impose the study which Latin or Greek required.

In the journalist profession or newspaper work, a lot of youngsters we have tried out could not spell and wanted to capitalize every other word.

COMMISSION OPPOSES CVA

The Oregon State Game Commission has gone on record in opposition to the formation of the Columbia Valley Administration, as now proposed in Congress.

In the June issue of its Bulletin, the Commission examines various provisions of the law in some detail. One typical section says that CVA's three-man administrative board shall rely upon advice from local agencies to the fullest practicable extent.

As the Oregon State Game Commission Bulletin says, "The fish and game in the state belong to the state and should, therefore, be managed by the state."

BUILDING COST DOWN

The cost of building is down five per cent from a year ago, and will decline an additional eight per cent over the next few months. This is the opinion of the F. W. Dodge Corporation, and is based on a survey of the costs of building one-family houses and large apartment buildings.

So once again prices respond to the old law of supply and demand. Throughout the nation builders report that the old shortage problems, which plagued the building boom last year by adding to costs, are rapidly being ironed out.

Meanwhile public construction, where costs are not so much a factor because they are paid by taxpayers' funds, continues strong. New school construction will total \$890 million this year, a substantial increase over the 1948 figure of \$567 million.

Storing Eggs

When storing eggs, place large end up in order to keep as much of the original quality as possible.

Milk in Alaska

Grade "A" pasteurized milk is now available in some local markets of Alaska.

LOOKS LIKE SOMEBODY'S GOING ON A DIET



Washington Letter

By Harris Ellsworth, Rep. in Congress from Oregon

Hearings are now being conducted by both the House and Senate Public Works Committees on the CVA (Columbia Valley Authority) bills. There are several bills introduced by different Representatives and Senators, but they are identical.

Numerous witnesses from the Pacific Northwest States which are concerned with CVA legislation are here to present their testimony to the committees. I know that Governor McKay, Oregon Senate President Wm. Walsh, and Speaker of the Oregon House of Representatives, Frank Van Dyke, are here.

Speaking of visitors to Washington reminds me to say that the Capitol has enjoyed an unusually large number of visitors from distant states during the past two weeks. I believe newspapers have carried a story to the effect that the deluge of visitors has become a hardship on the members of Congress.

One of the most controversial and hotly debated issues of this session of Congress is the Truman Socialized Housing bill. I have discussed this bill at some length in previous letters; however I neglected to mention something that appears to be uppermost in the President's mind even though it is unimportant to me—and to most members of Congress.

The American Legion threw its full weight behind the public housing bill today as the House of Representatives prepared to debate the measure. This statement was especially interesting first because the bill, if finally approved, will not particularly benefit veterans—nevertheless they will have the privilege of paying the cost over the next 40 years; and secondly the mail I have received from people in all walks of life whom I know to be veterans proves to me that the membership of the American Legion is not by any means solidly in favor of the housing bill.

A recent report of the Joint Committee on Reduction of Non-Essential Federal Expenditures, headed by Senator Harry Byrd of Virginia, states that the number of civilian employees in the executive branch of the Federal government in April increased at the rate of 350 PER DAY! This means that the annual cost of our Federal government increased during that month at the rate of more than a million dollars a day.

Lend-Lease The largest group of purchases, both in volume and in dollars, by the surplus marketing administration for lend-lease and other needs was for dairy, poultry, and meat products.

Strange Fact Kentucky was the birthplace of two men destined to become leaders in the war between the states Abraham Lincoln, president of the United States, and Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederacy, were born within eight months and 100 miles of each other.

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat

FOURTH OF JULY



The Spirit of '76 was an aspiration. Today it is an accomplishment. How vital are the freedoms which we sought and won is best appreciated by those who have come from other lands to share them.

Sam Husbands New Bank Head

Genial Sam Husbands, Transamerica Corporation's new president, is a veteran in banking and financing industrial enterprises.

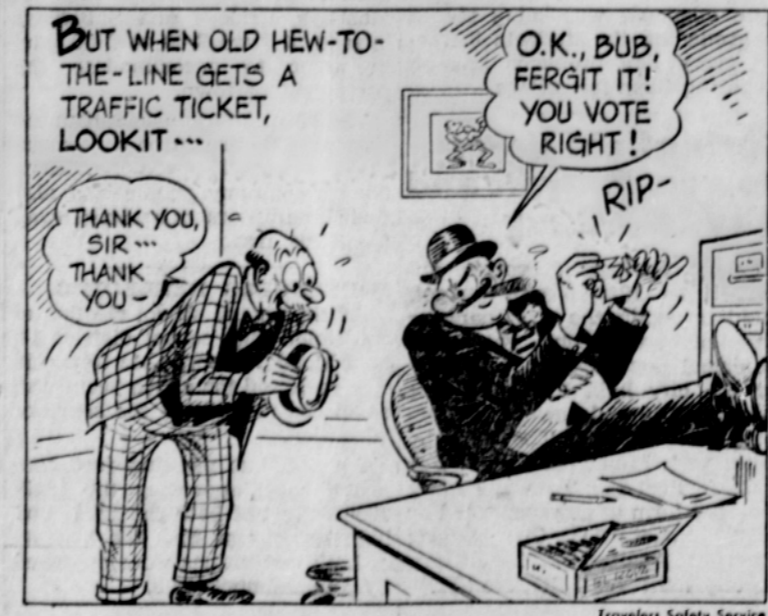
His soft Southern voice carries no hint of the drive that directed more than 35 billion dollars of Reconstruction Finance Corporation money into loans and investments in an almost incomprehensible variety of enterprises.

A hard worker, Husbands often breaks the tension with a surprise joke. He commented when interviewed that while business is serious, businessmen can and often do take themselves too seriously.

Visual Training Many visual problems not susceptible to correction by lenses are being treated today by visual training—scientific exercises of the eyes and the muscles and nerves used in seeing.

Newsprint Of the more than five million tons of newsprint used in the United States in 1948 only about 15 per cent was made here.

The Human Race



Scout Day Camp Extended Thru 1st

Day Camp for Cottage Grove Girl Scouts and Brownies at Happy Day camp near Blue Mountain was postponed Tuesday, because of rain, but will be held through Friday, July 1 instead.

The girls are all learning to do so many things in the out-of-doors which to many of the girls has been only something they have talked about doing in their indoor meetings last winter.

One unit is planning to make its own wooden buttons from tree limbs. One unit made a rock garden on the river bank. One cut and peeled limbs and lashed large letters to spell out the name of the camp and hung it at the entrance gate.

Managing faculty of the camp consists of Helen Minkler, camp director; Geneva Richardson, director of programs; Francis King, director of transportation; Jessie Cothrell, director of finance; and Elta Gray, director of publicity.

The mothers who took camp training for a whole day or more beforehand, and are now leaders and helpers at camp are: Brownie Unit 1: Marie Geer, Lucille Bradt, Ethel Price, Vera Weinkauff; Brownie Unit 2: Ruth Cearley, Florence Houndshell, Elta Gray; Brownie Unit 3: Verniece Nolt, June Adams, May DeLeon, Norma Telford; Brownie Unit 4: Francis King, Wilda King, Lucille Kenyon, Evelyn Tucker; Intermediate Unit 5: Jessie Cothrell, Dorothy Potter, Mina West; Intermediate Unit 6: Jean Thiele, Alpha McGarvin, Clara Burchett, Mrs. Owens, Ruth Bullard; Intermediate Unit 7: Lena Aubrey, Dorothy Eastburn, Dorothy Picknell, Juanita Goodrich, Miss Scott; Intermediate Unit 8: Annie Wholey, Zoe Carlyle, Margie White, Peggy Woolery, Barbara Grewelle; Nursery: Thelma Tonole, Doris Tonole, Betty Lea Atwood; Older boys: Myrtle Kliese, Nela Richardson.

Emma Smith is the milk delivery lady, while Helen Minkler and Geneva Richardson do anything and everything to keep camp running smoothly. All of these girls have cooperated to make Happy Day Camp the largest and one of the most successful in the Three Rivers Council of Girl Scouts.

On June 22, the camp was visited by two Eugene officials: Mrs. Follett, day camp site director, and Ruth Robertson, field director. They were very pleased with the camp and the way everyone was cooperating, and gave some helpful suggestions, especially for Unit 2, which was having fire troubles that day. Everyone agrees that our first experience in a day camp of our own has been grand, and we can hardly wait until day camp time next year.

We have had the very best cooperation from everyone — bus drivers, school boards, our local paper, and many others who have helped to make Happy Days camp live up to its name.

BIRTHS

KEILE — At the Butler maternity home, Thursday, June 23, 1949, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Keile, Calp Creek, a daughter, Karen Marie.

KEEN — At the Butler maternity home, Friday, June 24, 1949, to Mr. and Mrs. Arley Keen, Cottage Grove, a son, Michael Bruce.

KITE — At the Butler maternity home, Saturday, June 25, 1949, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kite, Cottage Grove, a son, Kenneth Edward.

DEMANETT — At Sacred Heart General hospital, Eugene, Tuesday, June 21, 1949, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Demanett, Route 1, Cottage Grove, a daughter.

ARNOLD — At the Butler maternity home, Thursday, June 30, 1949, to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Arnold of Drain, a son, Charles Burton.

MATTHEWS — At the Butler maternity home, Thursday, June 30, 1949, to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Matthews, Creswell, a daughter, Bonnie Faye.

What Wallpaper Can Do To make a small room look larger, use small, all-over wall paper designs. Plain, two-toned stripe or pin-striped papers also make a room look larger.

YOUR NATIONAL GUARD DIVISIONS CONTINUE THE OLD TRADITIONS

This is the twenty-fifth of a series on the Infantry and Armored Divisions of the New National Guard. They are presented to acquaint you with the organization which will be an integral part of the Nation's M-Day Force, trained, equipped and available for immediate service with the Regular Army in the event of any emergency.

48TH INFANTRY DIVISION—New in organization but steeped in the traditions of the west is California's 48th Infantry Division under the command of Major General John U. Calkins, Jr. Although the division was organized in 1947 as part of America's blueprint for security—the new, post-war National Guard, the 48th has a proud and cherished tradition that dates back to the wild and woolly gold-rush days. The number of the division was selected in honor of the gold-rush days of 1849 which was the start of California's rise to statehood.

The 159th Infantry regiment of the Division stems from companies originally organized in 1861 and consolidated into the 5th Infantry in 1887. It was redesignated the 8th Infantry, California Volunteers, when called to active duty during the Spanish-American War in 1898.

Again as the 5th Infantry it was stationed in Arizona during the Mexican Border Campaign in 1916, and finally evolved into the 159th Infantry Regiment in 1917 when called to duty for World War I. As part of California's famed 40th Division, the 159th served in France and upon return aided in the organization of 184th and the 185th Infantry Regiments which now form the 49th Division.

In 1941, the 49th's 159th, 184th and the 185th were called to active duty with the 40th Division. The 185th served with distinction in the Bismarck Archipelago and Southern Philippines actions.

The 159th was assigned to the Regular Army's famed 7th Infantry Division, taking part in the Attu campaign. The 159th was joined by the 184th in 1943 in time to take part in the 7th's battle for the Ryukyus Islands and in the Southern Philippines campaign.

Thus these three regiments, which once formed the nucleus of California's 40th Division, again are united in the State's newest contribution to the defense of our Nation.

Pfc. BRADFORD OUTSTANDING SOLDIER OF MONTH

With the Eighth Army in Yokohama, June 8, 1949—Private First Class Lyle D. Bradford, of Cottage Grove, Oregon, is a member of Headquarters Eighth Army Special Troops, stationed in Yokohama, Japan. Joining the army in September of 1947, Pfc. Bradford took his basic training at Fort Ord, California, and arrived in Japan in February of 1948. He is presently assigned to the Adjutant General Section.

Pfc. Bradford was recently chosen as the outstanding soldier of the month, for the month of May, from Headquarters and Headquarters Company Eighth Army. As his reward for being selected the soldier of the month, he will receive a trophy with his name inscribed, a three day pass, and a week excise from Reveille. There will be a parade given in his honor, at which time he will also receive the trophy.

His father, Norvin E. Bradford, resides at P.O. Box 604, Bonneville, Oregon.

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