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"No Favor Sways Us, No Fear Shall Awe"  
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## The Pacifist Turk

For six centuries the Terrible Turk was the scourge of the Near East. For more than two centuries he was the scourge of Europe. At times he was known as the Unspeakable Turk. Being a Turk in those days was no bed of roses except occasionally if one happened to be the Sultan or one of his Janizaries and lived off the spoils of war. Still, as a fighter the Turk had his points and so did the Sultan. From the time of Sulaiman I in the 13th century to that of Sulaiman II in the 16th, it was customary for the Sultan to fight at the head of his troops. When their successors learned the modern technique of sending, not leading, the troops into battle, Turkey deteriorated and became the Sick Man of Europe.

Whether it fought for the Scourge of Europe or the Sick Man of Europe, a Turkish army never was more than an undisciplined mob. But—in those days the Turks would fight. Since 1908 there has been a New Deal in Turkey and civilian life has been much more pleasant, but in recent months it has become more and more clear that the modern Turks won't fight.

In the last war Turkey fought on the side of Germany. A more intelligent Turkish government has had since the start of this war an alliance with the British. The Turks knew that, other things being equal, it was safer and more to the point to string along with an outfit that didn't want to rule them or take their shirts.

Other things have not remained equal. The nazis have gobbled up all the small countries in their path, with or without a struggle. The Turks, like the supreme court, read the newspapers. And now that Greece and Bulgaria have melted away and the nazis are at their border, the Turks have signed a non-aggression treaty with the aggressors.

This treaty has a saving clause; it specifically recognizes both parties' existing treaties and alliances. On the face of things, it neutralizes Turkey. This might be considered a serious blow to Britain. If it means active collaboration—as most treaties to which Germany is a party usually do mean—it is something of a blow. Otherwise there are two reasons why it is not.

First, the resemblance of a treaty to a "scrap of paper" has become within the last two years more pronounced. Either party may with impunity scrap the scrap of paper when occasion requires. Second, an alliance with Turkey was of no earthly use to Britain unless Turkey was willing to fight. Since it has been amply demonstrated that Turkey will not fight, the alliance has ceased to have meaning.

Neutralization of Turkey has however a significance which is obvious from a glance at the map. The British are in Syria and Iraq. Turkey lies between those lands and the Black Sea—and Russia. In the unlikely event that the Reds resist whatever designs upon them the nazis are now pursuing, the British will have no route by which to move to the aid of Stalin—even if they want to aid him. But when the nazis got control of the Aegean Sea and Crete, they had already rather effectively shut off Britain's sea route in that direction.

So in relation to other stirring events of the moment it is probable that the nazi-Turk non-aggression pact is worth no more than the cursory attention it is receiving. It is merely the final bit of evidence that the Terrible Turk has become the Pacifist Turk. If he becomes the Vassal Turk as well, that will be merely incidental and not even novel. Up until this present century all Turks—excepting the Sultan but including the Janizaries—were vassals.

## Re-examining WPA

Almost simultaneously with the leveling of criticism at WPA this week in Astoria at the state federation of labor convention, based upon the federal agency's functioning as a rival of private enterprise in defense construction, Oregon Better Business & Tax Research, Inc., has issued an analysis of the effect upon taxes of the pre-defense period WPA activities.

In the first six years of its existence WPA projects have cost Oregon communities almost 18 million dollars in taxes. Marion county projects cost altogether \$4,260,957 of which taxpayers contributed \$1,438,561, or 25.21 per cent. There has been nothing approximating uniformity in the volume of WPA work throughout the state nor in the relation of local contribution to total cost; in contrast to the Marion county ratio, Multnomah's was 18.1 per cent and Morrow county's was 55.8 per cent.

Almost three years ago when the Salem water commission took the lead, in Oregon, in resisting the temptation to "save" on labor payroll through WPA, The Statesman pointed out the experiences of some other communities in discovering that WPA projects could be costly luxuries. They were tempted to build an auditorium or a playground which otherwise they couldn't have afforded, and then discovered that maintaining it was a heavy expense.

Beyond question, in these times of potential labor shortage WPA should be reduced at least to the employment of persons not physically able to compete in the regular labor market, and during seasonal periods of extreme labor shortage it should be suspended entirely. By all means it should not compete in the field of defense construction. Salem's sewage disposal program is an especially appropriate outlet for WPA labor because it is a local project, yet one affecting the welfare of all western Oregon.

But just because it is in need of curtailing now and because it has many faults as conducted by WPA, the public should not essay to turn thumbs down permanently upon the concept of public works to take up unemployment slack. One of these days it will have to be revived and there is much to be said in its favor. It is to be hoped that next time, the nation and the communities will be wise enough to profit by the mistakes of the recent depression and set up a program which will obtain the benefits of the public works idea while avoiding its evils.

## Steel in the West

Competition is said to be the life of trade. Whether that is true or not, competition is the life. When two rival railways empires started building lines up the Deschutes river, they got to Bend much faster than would have been the case if there had only been one.

Henry J. Kaiser proposed recently the establishment of a new steel industry in the west. In certain quarters there was extreme skepticism. Some authorities doubted the need, others said the volume of output suggested would not add enough to the supply to make the project worth while.

Note now however that Columbia Steel company, a subsidiary of United States Steel; Bethlehem Steel company, Pacific Car & Foundry company, Pacific States Steel corporation and Colorado Fuel & Iron corporation, are all rushing to the Office of Production Management with proposals for establishment of new steel production facilities in the west.

Under the stimulus of competition, it's a fairly safe bet that things will begin popping. But the prospect is that California and Washington will get whatever plants are built; if Oregon is to attract any units of this industry it will have to change some people's minds.

## Retaliation

After you've robbed a fellow once there's no sense in holding him up again right away. It's better to wait at least until he has gone somewhere and cashed a check.

In retaliation for the freezing of German and Italian assets in the United States, Germany took similar action against the assets of Americans in nazidom. But it wasn't exactly tit for tat, because for years German fiduciary regulations have prevented Americans in Germany or American firms operating in Germany from getting anything in the shape of money out of there without losing its value.

Similarly, the closing of American consulates in the axis countries is no such blow to the United States as the closing of German consulates in this country. For despite the detailed nazi claims, our consuls have had no opportunity to carry on espionage and propaganda in the tightly-controlled reich.

## News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

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WASHINGTON, June 20—Arming of American merchant ships will never be done until this country is at war. The initial publicity drive to start it now is being pushed into the icebox quickly and quietly by administration authorities.



Paul Mallon of the Robin Moor.

They think the stories that they would seek legislation to place guns on merchantmen started through erroneous interpretations of what they are already doing. Navy is arming transports, troop carriers and such auxiliary ships. Apparently word of this activity got around in congress transformed into a movement for all merchant ships arming as a backwash of the sinking of the Robin Moor.

Not many favor repeating that mistake, which led us into the last war as much as any other. It proved suicidal before. The armament could not be sufficient to furnish any real defense against submarines. Merchant decks could not stand many guns or big ones. The submarines merely began to torpedo without warning. Needless loss of life resulted.

The records show no cases in which an armed merchantman bagged a submarine before our entry into the war, and very few afterward. But plenty of merchantmen were sent down by subs they never saw.

If the administration desires to protect American merchantmen, prior to actual participation in the war, the prevailing opinion of its own military authorities is that some means will have to be found, such as convoying. Destroyers are equipped to be a match for their assailants. The feebly armed merchantmen is only a deathtrap.

The Whitehouse is calling out the guard for the St. Lawrence treaty. Pushed up before congress will be Hull, Knox, Stimson, Wickard, Knudsen and Governor Lehman as starters.

The drive is being organized by the administration because the polls indicate clearly the legislation could not pass if a vote were taken today. House Chairman Mansfield privately has conceded this.

Mr. Roosevelt's personal mustering of his forces is supposed to be a minor secret, but his defense leader, Mr. Knudsen, let the whiskers of the cat out of the bag at his last press conference. The OPM director was asked why his organization was supporting the St. Lawrence project.

"Because we received a letter from the president," replied Knudsen, who knows more about other machinery than the political kind.

The state department order barring refugees whose families remain in Hitler's hands was issued without legal authority, but no one will say anything. The step will be legalized by congress shortly. Mr. Roosevelt is acting swiftly now to meet various technical situations as they arise without regard to legal red tape.

War department has refused to say how many tanks were sent to the British in Egypt, although it was nothing like the 400 which the Italians claim. Actually 24 shipments of equipment and materials from the United States have now arrived in Suez. Not all these cargoes were tanks. Probably no more than 100 of our light M 1's and M 2's were involved in the fighting.

Strangest fact of the matter is no one here has a report on how they fared, the point of the utmost importance to us in our current program.

Note: The army has quietly shifted away from the restricted side turret for its big guns in the new tanks. Latest models off the line show the turret in the center giving it efficient firing range.



The "Eat" in Wheat, so He Puts on the Heat

## Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

An inquiry concerning 6-2-41 Jesse Quinn Thornton and Mrs. Eliza Thornton Ware, who were Salemites:

(Continuing from yesterday:) That court house was not a great one; but it was fine enough to accommodate the Oregon state constitutional convention which met in it for four weeks, beginning August 17, 1857.

It did not contain the Marion county jail, as the present one does, very inconveniently, unsafely and inappropriately, in its basement. The jail, in that period, was a small brick one on the court house block, at the southeast corner of High and Court streets. The first Marion county jail had been a log one, at northeast Church and Ferry streets, where the General Grocery company has its building.

That log county jail burned down. The old court house was moved across High street and became a livery stable; then was moved again to the northwest corner of High and Court streets, and there contained several law offices, etc.

The present Marion county court house was built in 1872-3; the main contractor W. F. Boothby. If it were entirely gone over, rebuilt, from its jail basement to its largely unused mansard roof floor, it would serve very well for a long time yet. But the job of rebuilding should be thorough.

## Today's Garden

By LILLIE L. MADSEN

S.B.—asks for the "cure" of root aphids on asters.

Answer—pour one-half cupful of nicotine solution, one-quarter teaspoonful of Black Leaf 40 to one quart of water about the base of each plant, in order that the solution may reach the roots. Keep the ground well cultivated about the plants. Next year you might try using a handful of tobacco dust in each hole as the little plant is set out.

F.O.—reports that she saw some very lovely carnations at an outdoor garden show recently and wanted to know if these can actually be grown out of doors.

Answer—yes, there are a number of very good garden varieties of carnations. Much has been done in improvement along this line in recent years, little difficult to get "just right" in the amateur garden. In the first place, they do not, as a rule, grow attractively, and are best grown in plants used more for cutting than for garden scenery.

S.C.—asks if there are double Sweet Williams. She says that one of her friends mentioned them but she herself had never seen them. Will they grow from seed? Are all sweet williams mixed in color.

Answer—yes, there are very lovely double sweet williams. You may get an occasional single one in the packet, but you can depend upon the greater number being double. They also come in a midget double variety, growing about four inches high. These are very colorful in the rock garden. You may also purchase sweet williams in un-mixed colors. Newport Pink, Scarlet Beauty, Black Maroon, are some of the better known varieties.

after the construction of the present court house was finished, and this writer believes, after the public subscription had been completed for buying the town clock which has told the people of this community the time, day and night, all these nearly 70 years.

But, though Mr. Moreland paid the cost of recording his deed, he never appeared to take possession of the property, and there it stands. If he actually paid the \$1000 the deed says he did, he got a poor bargain. He is in the same plight as the various men down the aisles of history who have bought the Brooklyn bridge.

There was never any question concerning the title to the original block on which the territory capitol was erected; and when the territory became a state of course the property passed to the state without a question. But both W. H. Willson and his wife signed that deed. As the property was in the part of the donation land claim that was hers, there could be no question about the title.

But some of the lawyers, financiers and officials, when preparations were being made to erect the present state capitol, and thus to need a part of Willson avenue, demanded that a deed be prepared and signed by all the Willson heirs to that piece of land—that eastern strip if Willson avenue, also called Willson park.

So that was done, this writer believes, without any cash consideration at all, or of consequence, being demanded.

After painting a most sorry picture of the Willsons, because he did not carry out the terms of his \$100,000 bond, and because she took advantage of her wife's legitimate ownership of half of the donation land claim, which was not mentioned in the bond, J. Quinn Thornton went on to show, conclusively, that, despite those things, Salem's titles are good.

Let's very briefly review that part of his article in the 1874 Salem Directory.

(Continued tomorrow.)

## "Lover Come Back"

By BARRETT WILLOUGHBY

(Chapter 27 Continued)

She slipped one hand under Kemp's arm, and conscious that she was behaving badly said in a cool, crisp voice, "Captain Reynall, I seem to recall telling you once this evening to leave me alone and go about your own business. I'll repeat that now in a manner better suited to your comprehension, perhaps. Scram!"

"The queen has spoken!" He stepped at once to the Baltic's deck, flipped loose the line that held the boat to the landing, and called to Shady, already at the wheel. "The marines have landed and we're free to go, lug. Back her out!" But before the vessel began to move, he turned to look at Sondra, smiling a little wistfully. "Good-bye... Sunny," he called softly.

It caught her unawares, that childhood name which no one else had ever called her and made her feel closer to him than to anyone else in the world. She fought against the spell of it, her wide gaze on the disappearing Baltic. Kemp's voice came to her from a great distance, but his words meant nothing, for with heart and mind she was following after Jean Reynall... and hating him, with tears in her eyes, because—because she couldn't hate him.

Sondra and Kemp went up to the cedar tree, to wait by the campfire until the tide should float the Spindrift.

"Sondra was standing beyond the fountain of sparks, watching the dim headland where the Baltic's masthead light was just slipping from view."

"Sondra! Stop it!" Kemp was beside her in an instant, roughly twisting her toward him. "You're looking after that fellow as if—as if you belonged to him!"

"I am not! What if I am?" she blazed. "I certainly don't belong to you, and I won't have you acting as if I do."

"You do belong to me!" his hands shot out and fastened savagely on her shoulders. Unable to move, she looked up into his burning eyes, reading there something strangely thwarted and despairing. Her arms grew numb under his grip, while he went on pouring out words—wild, reckless, passionate words that ended with, "They can have everything else but you—you're mine! All mine—and no one can take you from me! Not even the—"

He stopped as if a silencing hand had been clamped roughly over his mouth. His hands slid limply from his shoulders and the unnatural brightness in his

eyes gave way to that haunted hopelessness she had seen there once before.

"Sondra..." in the half-whispered sound there was such an anguish of supplication, of yearning regret, that her heart warmed to him in a flood of compassion.

Impulsively, she caught his hand in both of hers. "Kemp, my dear, what's wrong with you tonight? Are you in trouble of some kind? Couldn't I do something to help? Tell me."

In his weary, ravaged face she sensed a stiffening of reserve, felt a stillness growing within him. By a brief flare from the campfire she saw that look of guarded watchfulness coming to life again behind his shadowed eyes. Then, like a soldier coming to attention, he was suddenly the old Kemp—assured, quietly smiling.

"My only trouble is you, darling." He raised her hand to his lips. "You're the sweetest woman in the world, and I'm mad about you, and I'm likely to go violent at just the thought of losing you. I've been acting like a fool kid, and—I'm sorry. Forgive me!"

"We'll skip it, Kemp." She spoke brusquely because she felt he had withdrawn from her, held her outside the citadel of his reserve. "Shall we go down now, and see if the Spindrift is afloat?"

"Noseh. No froating yet." Eka-da's brown face appeared above the bushes at Sondra's very elbow. "But plenty water now for pulling off and not hurting."

It was cool, silver dawn when the Dragon eased in to the American Packing company's float. "Shocking hours we keep," Sondra laughed as they climbed the ramp to the wharf. "Everybody asleep but us."

"Not everybody!" Kemp nodded toward the Baltic, berthed as usual near the Glory. Nothing stirred aboard the craft itself, but alongside, in an Indian canoe, Shady Lane was perched precariously on a thwart, wielding a battered tin baller. Every movement of his huge, top-heavy torso threatened to capsize the frail craft under him.

"If that redheaded bozo can't swim, he'll soon be learning the hard way," Kemp commented. "There should be a law to keep cheechakoes out of these Indian dugouts." (To be continued)

## Radio Programs

KSLM—SATURDAY, 1390 Kc.

- 6:30—Sunrise Salute.
- 7:30—News.
- 7:45—The Esquires.
- 8:30—News.
- 8:45—To Be Announced.
- 9:00—Pastor's Call.
- 9:15—Popular Music.
- 9:45—Four Notes.
- 10:00—The World This Morning.
- 10:15—Sterling Young's Orchestra.
- 10:30—Waltz Melodies.
- 11:00—Meditic Mood.
- 11:30—Value Parade.
- 11:45—Nocturne.
- 12:00—Hilbilly Serenade.
- 12:30—Willamette Valley Opinions.
- 1:00—Musical Clock.
- 1:30—Hollywood Buckeroos.
- 1:45—Two Kings and a Queen.
- 2:00—Afternoon Varieties.
- 2:30—Western Serenade.
- 2:45—The Campus Freshmen.
- 3:00—Concert Gems.
- 4:15—News.
- 4:30—Teatime Tunes.
- 4:45—The Fort Belles.
- 5:00—Popularity Row.
- 5:15—Kenny Baker's Orchestra.
- 5:30—Dinner Hour Melodies.
- 6:00—Tonight's Headlines.
- 6:15—War Commentary.
- 6:30—Henry King's Orchestra.
- 6:45—Alvino Revue.
- 7:15—Interesting Facts.
- 7:30—The Tomboyers.
- 7:45—The World Tonight.
- 8:15—John Kirby's Orchestra.
- 8:45—Johnny Messner's Orchestra.
- 9:00—News Table.
- 9:15—Chuck Foster's Orchestra.
- 9:30—Edwards Oldtimers.
- 10:00—His of the Day.
- 10:30—News.
- 10:45—Let's Dance.
- 11:15—Dream

These schedules are supplied by the respective stations. Any variations and changes are due to changes made by the stations without notice to this newspaper.

- 8:00—Defense for America.
- 8:30—Sir Francis Drake Hotel Orch.
- 9:00—Ten o'Clock News.
- 10:15—Hotel Biltmore Orchestra.
- 10:30—Club Madison Auditorium Orch.
- 11:00—News.
- 11:15—Wishfire Bowl Orchestra.
- 11:30—Portland Gardens Orchestra.
- 12:00—News.

KEX—SATURDAY—1190 Kc.

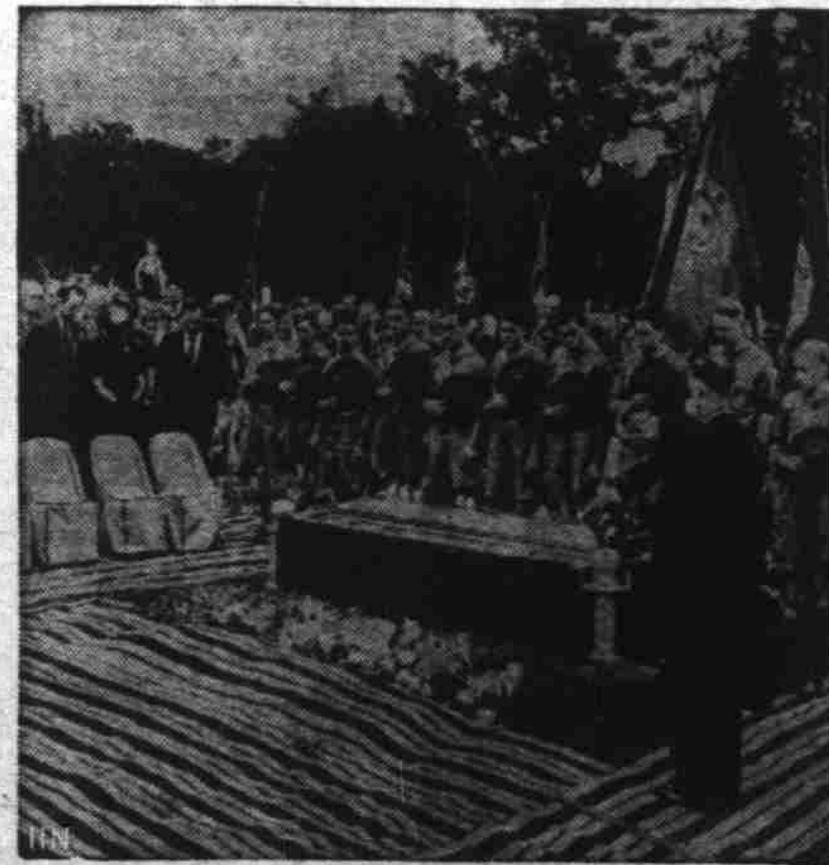
- 6:30—Musical Clock.
- 7:00—Rex Maupin Orchestra.
- 7:15—Breakfast Club.
- 7:30—Amesboro Program.
- 8:30—National Farm and Home.
- 9:30—Cleveland Calling.
- 10:30—News.
- 10:45—Indiana Indigo.
- 11:30—Charmingly We Live.
- 11:45—The World Today.
- 11:55—Talk, O. M. Plummer.
- 12:00—Music of the Americas.
- 12:30—Club Madison.
- 12:30—News Headlines and Highlights.
- 12:45—Market Reports.
- 12:55—Household Hints.
- 1:25—Lost and Found Items.
- 1:55—Musical Interlude.
- 2:00—Curlyton Quiz.
- 2:15—Sing Before Supper.
- 2:30—Carl Kalash Orchestra.
- 2:45—Chico Spanish Revue.
- 2:55—News.
- 3:00—Portland Baseball Game.
- 3:15—Francis Hotel Orchestra.
- 3:30—Hotel Biltmore Orchestra.
- 3:45—Summer Symphony.
- 4:00—Andria Continental.
- 4:45—News Headlines and Highlights.
- 5:00—The Dance.
- 5:15—Farm Parade.
- 5:30—Hotel Biltmore Orchestra.
- 5:45—Hotel Pennsylvania Orchestra.
- 6:00—Hotel Biltmore Orchestra.
- 6:15—News.
- 6:30—Ambassador East Hotel Orch.
- 6:45—Voice of Broadway.
- 7:00—Spin and Win with Jimmy Flynn.
- 7:15—Quiet Hour.
- 7:30—Paul Carson Organist.
- 7:45—War News Round Up.

KOIN—SATURDAY—870 Kc.

- 6:00—NW Farm Reporter.
- 6:15—Breakfast Club.
- 6:30—Kohn Klock.
- 7:15—News.
- 7:30—News.
- 7:45—Consumer News.
- 8:00—Country Journal.
- 8:30—Little World Today.
- 9:30—Let's Pretend.
- 9:45—Sustaining Almanac.
- 10:00—Let's Wave.
- 10:30—No Politics.
- 10:45—Voice of Broadway.
- 11:00—Inquiring Reporter.
- 11:15—Vera Brodsky.
- 11:30—Studio.
- 12:00—News.
- 12:30—Farm Parade.
- 12:30—CBS.
- 1:00—Matinee at Meadowbrook.
- 2:30—Report to Nation.
- 3:00—William L. Shirer.
- 3:45—The World Today.
- 3:50—People's Platform.
- 3:55—Newspaper of the Air.
- 4:30—Traffic Quiz.
- 4:45—Sports Broadside.
- 4:55—Emer Davis.
- 5:00—Wilbur Hatch Orchestra.
- 5:30—News.
- 5:45—Saturday Night Serenade.
- 6:15—Public Affairs.
- 6:30—Ann Arlin, Songs.
- 6:45—Leon F. Davis Orchestra.
- 7:00—Marriage Club.
- 7:15—Dance Orchestra.
- 7:30—News.
- 8:00—Hit Parade.
- 8:45—Bannon Ramos Orchestra.
- 9:30—Janet's Beach Orchestra.
- 9:45—By the Way, Bill Henry.
- 9:55—Tonight's Best Buy.
- 10:30—Five Star Final.
- 10:45—News.
- 10:50—Freddie Nagle Orchestra.
- 10:55—Defense Today.
- 11:00—Gaylord Carter.
- 11:30—Manny Strand Orchestra.
- 11:35—News.

EGW—SATURDAY

- 6:30—Sunrise Serenade.
- 7:30—The Early Birds.
- 7:45—News Headlines and Highlights.
- 7:55—Music of Vigma.
- 8:30—Weekend Wincesy.
- 8:45—Sam Hayes.
- 9:15—From New England to You.
- 9:30—Call to Youth.
- 9:45—Matinee in Rhythm.
- 9:55—Lancin Highway.
- 10:00—Hotel Tied Orchestra.
- 10:15—News.
- 10:30—Hotel Tied Orchestra.
- 10:45—Gordon Laval Orchestra.
- 11:00—Stars of Tomorrow.
- 11:30—News.
- 11:45—Campus Capers.
- 12:00—Boy, Girl, and Band.
- 12:30—The World is Yours.
- 1:30—Nat'l. Federation Music Clubs.
- 2:00—Pittsfield Hotel Orchestra.
- 2:30—News.
- 2:45—Art of Living.
- 3:00—Message of Israel.
- 3:30—Ezer House Hotel Orchestra.
- 3:45—H. V. Kellern.
- 4:00—Latitude Zero.
- 4:30—Palladium Ballroom Orchestra.
- 5:00—National Barn Dance.
- 5:30—Uncle Ezra.
- 6:00—Grand Old Opry.
- 7:30—Truth of Consequences.
- 7:30—NBC Network.
- 8:00—News.
- 8:05—Palace Hotel Orchestra.
- 8:30—Edgewater Beach Hotel Orch.
- 8:55—News.



Final funeral services are held at Monsey, N. Y., for Daniel Carter Beard, 90, founder of the Boy Scout movement in the U. S. At left behind chairs are Beard's son, Daniel Bartlett Beard, and his daughter, Mrs. Barbara Beard Price.

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