

Rear Admiral McMorris Ignores 'Book Plans' In Winning Battle of Kommandorskies With Daring Use of 'Outmoded' Naval Strategy

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AT SEA WITH A UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCE—There'll be a new set of text books on naval strategy when World War II is over, and Rear Admiral C. H. McMorris will be one of the men responsible.

The leather faced McMorris, always a sea-going man who chafed at paper work and snorted at the pat theories of the armchair strategists, earned his place in the textbooks through his brilliant use of destroyers against a superior Japanese fleet in March off the Kommandorskies.

Although the hard-hitting rear admiral must have heard that the use of destroyers in daylight torpedo attack went out with the battle of Jutland, he had to test the theory for himself. Perhaps he might even have admitted that on paper it was outmoded, simply a sacrifice of ships to modern guns and aircraft.

The Japanese know the result. The little ships bored in and when the battle ended the Nipponese warships—those that were left—went scuttling back over the horizon leaving the broken remnants of their Aleutian-bound convoy scattered over the ocean.

To McMorris, joining battle with a foe that outnumbered him two to one, that was the most logical thing to do. Officers who have served through the years with him since he was graduated from the naval academy at the head of his class in 1912 say that he has the most logical mind in the navy.

It was put to good use in the first World war, at the war college and at Annapolis where he served as an instructor. It was functioning with the submarine and cruiser divisions when war broke out, and in the spring of 1942 when he took command of the cruiser San Francisco.

He took his ship to the south Pacific for numerous battles in the south seas. A promotion to the rank of rear admiral and assignment to the north Pacific perhaps spared him the fate of many of his staff. He left the ship just 72 hours before it was badly damaged in an engagement with the enemy last fall in which it won the highest honors the navy can bestow on a whole ship.

McMorris was born in a small town near Montgomery, Ala., and still carries a slight southern accent, although in battle his voice drops almost to a monotone and he clips his speech sharply, punctuating it with profanity if it fits the occasion.

Succeeds Byrnes



Judge Fred M. Vinson (above), of Kentucky, was named economic stabilization director succeeding James F. Byrnes on May 28 as President Roosevelt created a new war mobilization director headed by Byrnes. Vinson also will be a member of the new board. — Associated Press Telegram.

The admiral's wife, the former Elizabeth Case, daughter of an army officer, is now in Marietta, Pa. They have one son, David McMorris, Princeton graduate who is a lieutenant, junior grade, USNR, on active duty.

Dr. Smith Answers Challenge To 'Serve Eight Masters' At WU Installation Ceremony

Charged by Bishop Bruce Baxter to "serve eight masters," Dr. George Herbert Smith answered the challenge with an address outlining his aspirations for Willamette's "Next Hundred Years" at the ceremonies formally installing him as president of the century-old institution here Sunday.

Trustees, faculty, student body, alumni, parents of students, standardizing bodies, community and church, Baxter, who left Willamette's presidency two years ago to become Methodist bishop, listed as the eight masters to be served by a university executive head.

Commencing his outline for the old school's next century of service with plans already adopted, the new president, who has served since last fall without formality of installation, talked briefly of the contract to educate for the navy.

The university will benefit from its contact with the navy's rigid training requirements, with increased punctuality, more concentration on the task at hand and the observance of disciplines, Smith predicted.

A backlog of finance is provided by the university's endowment, he declared, but that cannot begin to make the institution financially independent. The curriculum must change with time's

movement and can still be broad and cultural without neglecting preparation for the making of a livelihood, he said.

Willamette's field lies in educating well a limited number of students selected because of background and ability, the new president maintained, and such a policy, if adopted, must be made definite before the war period is past.

To be successful in service the university must be student-centered, recognizing the desirability of research but placing at the top the ability to teach, Smith said.

War training programs are emphasizing features of university training which have in some places been recently overlooked, he maintained, emphasizing that during the next hundred years Willamette must offer more than intellectual development if it would prepare men and women physically fit and socially experienced to meet the exigencies of life.

Topping the lists of requirements, the speaker said, is the need for Willamette as a Christian college, building on the basis of the past 100 years in this as well as in other fields where growth is foreseen.

Yanks Land in Fog at Massacre Beach



This graphic photo depicts one section of the American landing party on the fog-drenched Aleutian island of Attu. This contingent went ashore in small boats on the beach of Massacre bay. Immediately they began returning the fire of Japanese snipers, skillfully camouflaged in the crags of the great hills. The Japs would come down to the edge of the fog line and fire from crevices in the rocks. The harshness of the terrain indicates the difficulty and intensity of the American assault on the Jap-secured islet, farthestmost west of the Aleutian chain. (Official Navy photo from INF Soundphoto)

to Bishop Baxter by Dr. J. C. Harrison, president of Willamette's trustees and pastor of the First Methodist church of Salem. President Smith was presented

Awards to Be Presented At Parrish Promotional

Merit and scholarship awards will be presented at the promotional exercises for the ninth grade at the Parrish junior high school auditorium this morning at 10:15.

Rex Putnam, superintendent of the state department of instruction, will give the commencement address, and Rev. George H. Swift will deliver the invocation. Sea Scouts from the Salem troop will open the ceremony with a salute to the flag.

Musical selections for the morning program include a piano solo by Jewell Gueffroy, a song by the ninth grade chorus under the direction of Mrs. Margaret Simms and other vocal selections by the ninth grade Trio.

Mrs. Florence Rupp will present the merit awards and Neil Brown the scholarships for outstanding work at the high school this year.

Carl E. Aschenbrenner, principal of the school, will present promotion certificates to the following ninth grade students:

- Kenneth Alberts, Glenn Allen, Alfred Anderson, Fern Anderson, Robert Anderson, Arthur Apple, James Armstrong, John Arnold, Lorna Arnold, Jim Baer, Kenneth Bagwell, Dolores Bailey, James Balfrey, Donna Irene Baker, Barbara Baldwin, Virgil Banks, Richard Barber, Dale Bastian, Charles Bauer, Eldon Beckner, Allen Bellinger, Leonard Benson, Dorothy Bergvick, Gene Berry, Fred Blake, Ramona Bloom, Kenneth Blum, Vernon Bodine, Mary Jean Boedighelmer, Raymond Boucher, Walker Bown, Vivian Boyce, Shirley Boyce, Edward Boyle, Orval D. Boyle, Joe V. Brazie, Rodney Bright, Martha Brooks, Douglas Brown, Cara Buckhout, Dudley Bullock, Delvin Bunkowski, Jim Bunnell, Nancy Burns, Rose Marie Buntjes, Frank Burke, Roy Buss, Calvin Button.

- Veva June Camp, Florence Carr, Douglas Carter, DuWayne Fleming, Philip Causey, Alton Chamberlain, Philip Chambers, Willis Chandler, Elmer Jay Christenson, Donald Clark, Jerry Clay, Richard (Dick) Close, Norma Jean Conklin, Doris Conn, Hannah Converse, Conrad Cook, Virgil Coyle, Earl Cooley, Jr., Lloyd Cooley, Bernard Crane, Carl Cupp, Jeanna Dailey, Raymond Dan, Gladys Davis, Doris Davis, June Davis, Richard Dennis, Daron Dircks, Virgil Dix, Paul Dixon, Bill Dodd, Lois Dokken, Jean Doolittle, Wilma Dunigan, Donald Earle, Louella Eby, Betty Lou Edwards, Harold Edwards, Bernard Emmons, Margaret Endres, Doris Englehart, Jarine Ernest, Verne Esch, Dorothea Evans, Ramona Evans, Joyce Evenson.

- Margaret Fargher, Tom Faught, Charles Feakens, Donald Fetrow, Richard Fleener, DuWayne Fleming, Jack Fossum, Peggy Joan Frantz, Henry Freshell, Annabelle Galer, Loris Garrett, William Gash, Gordon Geddes, Alan Gemmill, Arthur Girod, Richard (Dick) Givens, Alta Goodell, Raymond Gotchell, Donna Gottinger, Howard Gover, Pat Grady, Herbert Graves, Betty Greig, Jewell Gueffroy, Bob Hagedorn, Theona Hahn, Dolores Hamilton, Pearl Hamilton, Robert Hamrick, Clarence Hamner, Lois Hamner, Dorothy Hampton, Paul Hannaman, Jean Hatfield, Josephine Ruth Hayes, Stanley Hawa, Jerome (Jerry) Haven, Ruth Helvig, Isabel Herbert, Orville Hern, James Hess, LaVern Hiebert, Bobby Lloyd Hill, Pauline Hiler, Leland (Pete) Hoar, Dalton Hobbs, Dorothy Ann Hobson, Nellie Holman, Martin Horn, Dale Howe, Teddy Howe, Dolores Huckstep, Darl Milton Hunt, Wilda Hunt, Harriet Huston, William (Bill) Hyatt, Paul Idaho, Mabel Indue, Bernice Isham.

- Jean Dorothy James, James (Jim) Jaqua, Jefferson, Julie Rose Jensen, Elsie Johns, Eloise Johnson, Flisze Jonas, Deral Jones, Dick Jones, Warren Jones, Constance Keller, Beverly

Cannery Wage Problems Get Consideration

Though the war labor board through its regional office has approved increases in the minimum wages for cannery workers in the Pacific Northwest, three points remain to be cleared up, cannery pointed out Monday after conferring with federal officials.

One of these involves the date to which increases will be retroactive; another is the question as to whether key employees already receiving wages or salaries in excess of the new minimum may be advanced so as to maintain the existing differential.

The third question is one which must be referred to OPA rather than the war labor board, for it involves possible increases in prices of the finished product. Cannery will not be able to absorb entirely the increased production costs but will have to seek higher ceilings, it was indicated.

Wiesner Joins Rotary

SILVERTON—George Wiesner has been named as a new member of the Silverton Rotary club. Ralph Larson president elect, is serving as head of the Rotary until Tom Anderson, president, returns from Texas. Larson will be installed during the summer.

Andres End Visit

GERVAIS—Mrs. Ernest Andres and two sons returned this week from Green Bay, Wis., and Chicago where they spent three weeks with relatives. Mrs. Andres came west seven years ago and this is her first visit to her old home.

James Uebelman, Patricia Underwood, Charles Updegraff, Irene Vales, Dale Van Laanen, Roy Vibbert, George Vogan, Ruth Vogt, John Waite, Robert Waite, Mark Walker, John Wallace, Doris Walser, Frank Ware, Buddy Warren, Donald Waters, George Watson, Phillip Welling, Fred Welsh, Laurence Wenger, Norma Wenger, Frances Whitened, Juanita Williams, Junior Williams, Barbara Jean Wilson, William (Billy) Wilson, Lola Mae Windecker, Elaine C. Winkle, Juanita Wirtz, Meta Woodruff, Neale Worley, Tom Wriston, Vance Yung, Mabel Marie Zimmerman, Lawrence Zinsner.

Visits Sick Sister

AUMSVILLE—Mrs. Charley Fuller of Oakland, Calif., is here to be with her sister, Mrs. William Meyers, who is ill at the home of Mrs. Luta Fuson.

The YANKS ATTACK!

... on tank treads made in Portland

PGE delivers fightingpower to Shofner Iron & Steel Works

TREADS for the tanks which have been shattering Rommel's Afrika Korps, plus hundreds of types of fittings for fighting ships, are made by the Shofner Iron & Steel Works of Portland. This is one of America's outstanding war plants built and operated by a woman.

For PC boats, those sea-going broncos, the Shofner plant turns out valve bodies, struts, and dozens of other parts. Also Shofner makes important gear for aircraft carriers, the ships that are so important to our air supremacy.

The plant supplies parts to Willamette Iron & Steel, Commercial Iron Works, Albina Engine & Machine Works.

Artificial lightning bolts melt tons of steel

A foresighted PGE management has spent 4 1/4 million dollars in the past four years to enlarge PGE's capacity for serving scores of war industries and other users. As a result of this expansion, PGE is prepared to do the bigger job that Shofner will soon demand. Shofner is installing a new electric melting furnace which will increase the plant's capacity fourfold. Shafts of artificial lightning in the furnace create temperatures of 2800 degrees... quickly melting five-ton charges of scrap iron and steel for pouring into molds. To operate this one furnace, as much electricity is used as by all the homes in a city of 10,000.

In meeting the requirements of this and other vital war industries, PGE is measuring up to its wartime job of delivering 1/4-million horsepower. Power on the home front produces fightingpower at the battle front!

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