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#### AWS Week

The Cottage Grove Sentinel remarks regarding the Aircraft Warning Service: "Whatever personal gain the average individual may be able to make because of their war effort, there won't be any air spotters emerge as millionaires."

And of course they do not expect to. But they will come out of the war with the consciousness of having served their country in a most important field of wartime service. The only tangible sign many of them will receive is the award for many hours of volunteer work at an observation post; but the inner satisfaction they will have will mean far more to them.

The IV Fighter Command of the army, which has charge of aircraft observation in this area, has made the week of August 1-7 "AWS Week." The purpose is to acquaint the public with the importance of the work these volunteer observers are doing, and to enroll more persons who are willing to serve. The Statesman, which previously has reviewed the work of the observers in and around Salem, is glad to participate in this recognition work, through a special section of today's paper.

#### Owyhee Canyon

Few people know of the rugged wildness of the Owyhee river canyon, in the "no man's land" of extreme southeastern Oregon. It is not so deep as the Snake river canyon at the northeast corner of the state, but it is narrow and steep. A few years ago Lewis Griffith, clerk of the state land board, brought back pictures of this rarely visited canyon. This summer Prof. Lyle Stanford of the College of Idaho at Caldwell, and a student companion, Cloyd Krebs, made a trio down the canyon by boat, starting at Rome, a postoffice near the junction of Jordan creck and Owyhee, about 50 miles above the great Owyhea reservoir. On their return Prof. Stanford made a radio talk descriptive of his journey, which we deem of sufficient interest to "rebroadcast" in this column. It follows:

"Just as the first glow of day made boating possible, Mr. Krebs, my fellow boatman, pushed us away from shore and quietly our voyage began. Rowing, drifting, watching the shore line and the water ahead we glided along at little better than walking speed. The river in the Rome valley is interrupted at intervals by huge water wheels, and their accompanying rock dams. Had we known it, these portages, the pushing, pulling and carrying the duffel over the dams were but a mild beginning for the work ahead

"The river leaves the valley rather abruptly and enters a small canyon six miles from the Rome bridge. Here the going is smooth, the rapids little more than deep riffles but as the cliffs heighten and the shadows at their bases deepen the murmurs of the riffles became more insistent and then, the first real white water. After taking this initial plunge the river is a succession of cataracts and pools averaging nearly three to the mile for forty miles. Beause of comparatively low water and an excessive number of large boulders in the stream bottom less than half of these white waters can be considered at all navigable. The best of them contain concealed reefs and rocks to batter and capsize the boat. Water of this kind means soaking wet hours of toil, lining or convoying the boat. In such circumstances a rapids that can be "shot" is a welcome relief. The temptation is always strong to take chances and save time. This is definitely a poor policy in such an isolated stretch of water where a smashed boat can easily mean a 1000 foot climb and a 60 mile walk to the nearest telephone.

"The first canyon of rhyolite lava gives way after several miles to a mixed canyon with cliffs of comparatively recent basaltic lava of the Jordan crater type on one side covering up the older formations. Especially is this true on the east side of the bank. On the west shore the crags of solid lava ere replaced for miles in a stretch of sedementary formations reminding the traveler of the Bryce Canyon country in Utah. One 1000 foot mountain consists of nine to ten flat layers of harder rock held apart by red and yellow cones and columns of softer material. The extreme regularity and symmetry of the formation, with the shadows of early evening accenting its graceful lines suggested a Siamese temple.

"With the rounding of each bend the character of the canyon changes. The familiar black lava cliffs are replaced by yellow sedementary spires. Red rhyclite cathedrals lean out over the river. In one such place a great slab has broken from its parent rock and nearly bridged the stream, making a large tunnel where the green water rushes and grinds its way into the sunshine again.

"A distinct surprise in such a desert area is the 100 foot falls where Bogus Creek drops from its hanging valley into the Owyhee Canyon.

"A few miles down stream from Bogus Creek the river swings northeast and bores its way into a mountain of colorful lava and sedementary rock. Just at the beginning of this canyon is a mountainside honeycombed with caves. Two caverns are at water level so that the river runs back into the shadows and the light glancing from the ripples below is reflected on the dark overhead wall in a constantly changing pattern. Another cave of giant proportions opens above the high water mark and gives evidence of being a former Indian habitation. There, with the cool recesses of the cavern at our backs and the river below we ate our lunch and thought how the Indian must have looked out many times at the great canyon before his door and experienced as we did the mystery and utter loneliness of the place.

"Statistics on this seven or eight mile gorge be-low the great cavern are not available nor has a form to punish the kaiser. We'll just wait and survey ever been made. The following impressions, see. however, are a part of the journal of the trip. The depth must be in the neighborhood of 200 feet. Many of the cliffs certainly have a sheer drop of 800-1000 feet. There is little doubt that the canyon is one of the narrowest and sheerest gorges in the northest. About two miles into the canyon the stream fernoon the boating was done in deep shadows. makes a turn to the north and for the rest of the There the sun-tipped crags above contrasted with the shadowy blues and grays nearer the stream. "The animal population of the canyon is appar-ently large and nearly all wild life was unaffaid of

Beaver were numerous and appeared unhueried they slid into the water. One young adventureand then returned to the shore. Muskrat were encountered many times. Deer were often seen on
the sandbars, at the cliff bases raising their heads which will mean that part of our work is done
to watch us go by. A doe and two fawas climbed for us, when we capture it.

to a ledge above us and remained there watching while we worked our way along. Our sleep was distupbed one night by a visiting deer.

"Signs of otter, that sleek, rare animal of the weasel family, were numerous. Two babies, or cub otter, played a kittenish game on a sandbar as long as we were in sight. They tumbled and splashed each other entirely oblivious of our presence.

"Solemn groups of turkey vultures dignifiedly gave up their place on a sandbar to soar across river and perch like black rocks on a cliff. It was not our coming that had forced them to move but rather the approach of a coyote who wanted to investigate the food that the vultures were eating. Scarcely fifty feet away we sat motionless in the boat letting the current carry us along until suddenly the coyote got our scent. He jerked to attention, looked at us in a surprised way and retreated at a trot to a near-by high point on which he remained until a bend in the river cut off our view.

"Ducks and their families were common. An occasional sleek black cormorant perched awkwardly on a mid-stream rock or flew overhead. The redhead duck and the canvasback seemed to be very numerous. Geese appeared in large numbers. The golden eagle was frequently recorded in our jour-

"Vegetation near the river is quite luxuriant, especially in the deeper gorges. The trees were mostly willow and juniper and hackberry. Sometimes the plants picked out odd places to grow. In one place the river has cut into a water-bearing layer of rock. Here the wet cliff is covered with a blanket of moss, ferns, asters, and a great bed of that interesting orchid, the lady slipper.

"A welcome break in the hard work and tension of the trip was found about two-thirds of the way to the reservoir where the Davis ranch was encountered. Here, as at the other places just above the Owyhee lake is a loosely knit community of isolated ranches where most of the subsistence has to do with raising hay and cattle. In this lonely region the western hospitality with its sourdough bread, stacks of wheat cakes and other satisfying courtesies, are as real a part of the trip as the rapids and the moonlit camps on the sandbars."

#### Tax Reduction

The reduction in the state income tax for next year under the Walker plan adopted by the last legislature will amount to 75 per cent. This runs far in excess of any estimates made during the recent legislature, and comes after making a distribution of \$5,000,000 to public school districts and retaining \$5,000,000 in a reserve. The unique virtue of the Walker proposal is that it is geared to actual receipts during the preceding fiscal period.

The Oregonian, which was a consistent champion of income tax reduction finds its nose still out of joint, and uses the current item as an excuse to chastise the state tax commission, asserting that the commission "stubbornly resisted and effectively blocked successive legislative proposals for a flat 50 per cent reduction, a 20 per cent reduction and similar measures."

The Oregonian is confusing the commission with Chairman Giles French of the house committee on assessment and taxation, who opposed several of the bills submitted. The commission did not oppose tax reduction. It pointed out the mechanical difficulties of a rebate on the 1943 tax; and the legislators who investigated the matter decided it would be so expensive and complicated as to be unjustified. On estimates, the commission frankly said it was very difficult to make estimates in view of war conditions and changes in federal tax rates.

Now that taxpayers are going to get the reduction, which is most substantial, it would seem that the feuding over the tax commission should wind up.

A Salem "war baby", a tobacco packaging plant, which employed several hundred workers and bought many boxes of local manufacture during the months of ite operation, has "folded." Eastern offices ordered it to cease operations. This is a sample of the way war industry may shrivel when production needs in war lines are met. Right now there is plenty of work available for those thrown out of jobs; but before we know it a surplus of employable labor may show up.

The country boasts of its universal, free eduation, yet a million men were rejected by the army for lack of education. They were illiterate or too lacking in knowledge to be educated into the service. This is a most serious reflection on our system of education; or on the lack of enforcement of laws for compulsory attendance at school. It shows we have chores to do at home that must not be ignored while we become missignaries for enlightenment abroad.

You have to pay tribute to the British system of law enforcement when Lady Astor, a member of parliament, has to pay a substantial fine for asking a friend to bring back with him from America some wanted articles of apparel, Justice in English courts is prompt and impartial. We can't remember of a congressman's wife getting fined for bootlegging.

The president says that Mussolini will not be allowed to get off just with a resignation. Uh-huh, we heard that one on the kaiser, too.

Dr. Harry Olinger will make a valuable member of the state parole board. He is understanding and practical in his judgments. We are glad to see him take on again a task in public service.

Men in high public office seem to be sus-ceptible to one of two diseases: softening of the brain or hardening of the arteries.

"Disengaging the enemy" is replacing "stra-tegic retreat" for a confession of defeat. Italians and Germans are doing the most "disengaging"

### Today's Radio Programs

9:05—Spiritual Interiude, 9:20—Organ, Harp, Violin Trie. 9:30—Popular Salute, 10:00—World in Review, 10:15—Moonbeam Trio, 10:30—Hit Tunes of Tomorrow, 11:00—American Lutheran Church, 12:00—Sunset Trio, Chose We Love.

1:30—Music.
2:00—Isle of Paradise
2:15—Voice of Restoration.
2:30—Vocal Varieties.
2:00—Sunday Symphony.
2:30—"Boys" Town.
4:00—Skipper Henderson and Crew.
4:15—Modern Melody Trio.
4:30—Book Quiz.
5:00—Old Fashioned Revival Heur.
6:00—Tonight's Headlines.
6:15—Anita Boyer and Tomboyers.
6:30—Del Courtney Orchestra.
7:30—Bob Hamilton's Quintones.
7:30—Langworth Novelty and Salon Group. 8:00-First Presbyterian Church.

8:30—Music. 9:00—News Summary. 9:15—Organalities. 9:30—Back Home Hour. 10:00—News. 10:15—Dream Time. KALE-MBS-SUNDAY-1330 Ke.

9:30—News. 9:45—Letters to My Son. 10:00-News. 10:15-Roman 10:15—Romance of the Hi-V
10:30—Pucker Up
10:45—Newa
11:00—Pilgrim Hour,
12:00—Concert.
12:15—News,
12:30—Music,
1:00—Lutheran Hour,
1:30—Young People's Church,
2:00—Temple Baptist Church,
2:30—Portland Bible Classes,
3:00—Murder Clinic,
3:30—Upton Close,
3:46—Music,
6:00—Dr. Johnson,
1:30—Melodies,
15—Name

230 Melodies.
445 News.
5:00 Mediation Board.
5:45 Gabriel Heatter.
6:00 Old Fast loned Revival Hour.
7:00 John B Hughes.
7:15 Music of the Masters.
7:45 Rocking Horse Rhythms.
Hinson Memorial Church.

9:00—Hinson Memorial Charles 9:00—News. 9:15—Voice of Prophecy. 9:45—Sunday Serenade. 10:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour. 11:50—Answering You. 11:30—Stars and Stripes in Britain

8:30—Soldiers of Production.
8:30—Ralph Walker.
8:35—African Trek.
9:30—The Quiet Hour.
9:30—Stars from the Blue.
10:30—This is Official.
10:30—The Kidoodlers.
10:45—Farm and War Fronts,
11:30—Coast to Coast on a Bus.
11:45—Speaking of Giamour.
12:30—The Three Romeos.
12:15—Hanson W. Baldwin.
12:30—Hot Copy.
1:30—Serenade.
1:45—Music.
2:30—Remember.
2:30—Speak Preview.

2:00—Remember.
2:30—Sneak Preview.
3:00—News.
3:05—Here's to Romance.
3:30—The Green Hornet.
4:00—Chapiain Jim, USA.
4:30—Serenade.
5:00—Christian Science Program.
5:15—Neighbors.
5:30—Music.
5:45—Drew Pearson.
6:00—Commentator.

6:15—Music. 6:45—Jimmie Fidler.

11:00—Opera. 11:30—World News Today. 11:55—Muffet Show.

4:30 Question of the V 5:00 News 5:15 Songs for Sunday 5:30 William Winter.

## RGW—NBC—SUNDAY—828 Ke.
4:00—Dawn Patrol.
6:00—News.
6:15—Commando Mary.
6:30—Music.
7:00—Bible.
7:30—Words and Music.
8:00—The Church in Your Home.
8:30—News.
8:45—The Dinning Sisters.
9:00—Commentator.

9:00—Commentator.
9:15—News.
9:30—That They Might Live.
10:00—Rupert Hughes.
10:15—Labor for Victory.
10:30—We Believe.
10:45—The Thrasher Sisters.
11:00—Chicago Round Table.
11:30—John Charles Thomas.
12:00—Washington Reports on tioning.
12:15—Upton Closs, Comment 12:30—The Army Hour.
1:30—Land of the Free.

A first-hand story of history shaping events in the Pacific war theater will be told tonight when the Richfield Re-

Next day's programs appear on

5:30—Black Hood.
5:45—Norman Nesbitt
6:00—Gabriel Heatter.
6:15—News.
6:30—Return of Nick Carter,
7:00—Raymond Clapper
7:15—Movie Parade
7:20—Lone Ranger
8:00—Bulldog Drummond,
8:30—Double or Nothing
9:00—News
9:15—Salute to our Heroes
9:30—General Barows
9:45—Fulton Lewis,
10:00—Wings Over the West Coast
10:30—News.
10:45—Let's Learn jo Dance
11:00—Army Air Forces,
11:30—Neil Bondshu Orch,

KEX-BN-MONDAY-1190 Ke.

1:00—We're Up Too. 1:10—National Farm and Home. 1:15—National Farm and Home. 1:15—Western Agriculture. 1:05—Smillin' Ed McConnell. 1:05—Home Demonstration Agen 1:15—Music of Vienna.

12:30—Music.
12:45—News.
1:00—Blue Newsroom Review.
2:00—What's Doing, Ladies.
2:30—Uncle Sam.
2:45—Harmony,
2:55—Labor News.
3:00—Hollywood News.
3:15—Kneass with the News.
3:30—Blue Frolics,
4:00—Voice of the Coast Guard.
4:36—Voice of the Coast Guard.
4:36—News.

KOIN-CBS-MONDAY-970 Ke.

6:00—Northwest Farm Reporter.
6:15—Breakfast Bulletin.
6:20—Texas Rangers.
6:45—KOIN Klock.
7:15—Wake Up News.
7:30—Dick Joy, News.
7:45—Nelson Pringle, News.
8:00—Consumer News.

### Monday's Radio Programs

10:05—Music,
11:00—Cherry City News,
11:30—Hits of Yesteryear,
11:45—News,
12:00—Organalities,
12:15—News,
12:30—Hillbilly Serenade,
12:35—Matinee,

:00—Lum and Abner. :20—Will Bradley's. 8:00—Wesley Radio League. 8:30—Central Church of Christ. 8:45—Anglo Saxon Association. 9:00—Detroit Bible Class. :30—Music. :45—Spotlight on Rhythm, 2:00—Isle of Paradise. :15—Bill Roberts. :15—Bill Roberts.
:30—Langworth String Quartet.
:45—Broadway Band Wagon.
:00—KSLM Concert Hour.
:00—Guadalajara Trio. ance of the Hi-Ways.

:15—News. :30—Teatime Tunes. :00—Music. -Records of Reminiscence 5:15—Records of Reminiscence 5:50—Music, 6:00—Tonight's Headlines, 6:15—War News Commentary, 6:20—Evening Serenade, 6:45—Popular Music, 7:00—News in Brief, 7:05—Music,

:05—Music. :30—Keystone Karavan. 8:00—War Fronts in Review. 8:30—Melody Mustangs. 8:45—Treasury Star Parade. 9:00—News. 9:15—Neighborhood Call, 9:45—Szath Myri Presents.

KALE-MBS-MONDAY-1330 Ke. 6:45—Uncle Sam. 7.00—News 7:15—Texas Rangers. 7:30—Memory Timekeeper. 8:90—Shady Valley Folks. 8:30—News. 8:45—What's New.

9:00—Boake Carter. 9:15—Woman's Side of the News. 9:30—Music. KEX-BN-SUNDAY-1190 Ko. 9:30—Music.
9:45—Marketing.
10:00—News.
10:15—Gardner a Friend.
10:30—This and That.
11:00—Buyers Parade.
11:15—Bill Hay Reads the Bible.
11:30—Concert Gems.
11:45—Rose Room.
12:00—News.

12:45—On the Farm Front. 1:00—News. 1:15—Music. 2:00—Sheelah Carter. 2:15—Texas Rangers. 2:30—All Star Dance Parade. 2:45—Wartime Women. 2:50—News. 3:00—Phillip Keyne-Gordo 3:15—Johnson Family

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3:30—Overseas Report.
3:45—Stars of Today.
4:00—Fulton Lewis.
4:15—Isle of Dreams.
4:30—Better Business Bureau.
4:35—Rainbow Rendezvous.
4:45—News
5:00—Music.
5:15—Sumerman

15-Music.
30-Quiz Kids.
30-Quiz Kids.
30-Inner Sanctum Mysteries.
30-News Headlines.
8:45-For All Humanity.
0:00-University Explorer.
10:15-Organ Reveries.
10:30-The Quiet Hour.
11:00-Melody.
News Roundup.

KOIN-CBS-SUNDAY-050 Ke. 6:00-News of the World. 6:15-Organist, 6:45—Music
7:00—Church of the Air,
7:30—Wings Over Jordan,
8:00—Warren Sweeney, News.
8:05—West Coast Church.

8:30—Invitation to Learning. 9:00—Salt Lake Tabernacle. 00-Church of the Air. 30-Trans-Atlantic Call.

11:55—Muffet Show.
12:00—Concert.
1:30—The Pause that Refres the Air.
2:00—The Family Hour.
2:45—Dear John
3:00—Silver Theatre
3:30—Sgt Gene Autry.
4:00—Jerry Lester.
4:30—Question of the Week.
5:00—News.

5:30—William Winter. News.
5:45—Music.
5:55—Ned Calmer.
6:00—Radio Readers' Digest.
6:30—Summer Theatre
7:00—Take It or Leave It.
7:30—News
7:45—Concert.
8:00—Crime Doctor.
8:25—News.
8:30—Calling America.
9:30—Point Sublime.
10:00—Five Star Final.
10:15—Wartime Women.
10:20—Air-Flo of the Air.
10:30—Orchestra.
11:00—Music.

EYE WITNESS REPORT OF WAR IN THE PACIFIC

night when the Richfield Reporter interviews Bill Tyree,
United Press war correspondent, who has just clippered
home from that battle area.
Tell your triands and plan to be
at your radio at 10 p'clock
for this acclusive,
informative feature.

## **Death Goes Native**

Chapter 9 (Continued)
Dr. | Latham looked behind and down at the deck. He ran an exploring foot across the king. Then his eyes came back to me.

"How are you feeling, Mr. Hoyt?" he inquired. "A little dizzy? Have you been nauseat-

"I wasn't dizzy-but the sight made me sick!" He smiled slightly and stepped close with a professional air.
"There's no body in the locker,
Mr. Hoyt," he told me very

Chapter 19

I stared stupidly at him, then grabbed the lantern from Thornton's hand and ran to hold it over the locker. It was empty and clean and wet. I felt the others draw closer around me.

"It's gone!" I cried inanely, looking from one to another of them. "While I was off to report to you someone got it out of here." I bent over the locker again. "See? Someone's washed away the blood. The drain plug it out and it's still wet." I turned and looked along the deck at the lee of the cabin, "And they've cleaned up the glass and flushed the deck. It's wet, too."

Budd's hand came down on my shoulder in fatherly fashion. "That's all right, Mr. Hoyt, We know you think you saw all that." He turned to Dr. Latham, who was reaching to feel my pulse. "You suspect a concussion? Nausea is a symptom, I take it?"

Dr. Latham nodded. He let go my wrist and placed a cool palm on my forehead as I stood there too confused to speak.

4:00—Voice of the Coast Guard.
4:08—Voice of the Coast Guard.
5:10—The Sea Hound.
5:10—Digk Tracy.
5:30—Jack Armstrong.
5:45—Archie Andrews.
6:00—Hop Harrigan.
6:15—News.
6:30—Spotlight Bands.
6:15—News.
6:30—Spotlight Bands.
6:15—Sports.
7:10—Music.
7:15—War Correspondent.
7:30—Arm Chair Strategist.
7:45—Music.
8:00—Watch the World Go By.
8:15—Lum and Abner.
8:30—Greece Fights On.
8:45—Your Mayor Speaks.
9:00—Nero Wolfe.
9:30—News Headlines & Highlights.
9:45—Down Memory Lane.
10:15—Alec Templeton.
10:30—Broadway Bandwagon.
10:45—Joseph James, Singer.
11:00—This Moving World.
11:15—Organ Concert.
11:30—War News Roundup. "Perhaps a slight concussion," he said gravely. "But you aren't clammy, so it can't be bad." Budd said, "I imagine the liquor he drank when he came aboard hit him rather hard."

Dr. Latham reproved me: "Liquor after that blow was the worst thing you could have taken. Not another drop, understand. You must get to bed now and lie very quiet. I think you'll be all right by morning if you obey orders." Then I heard Josephine West's

clear voice saying in distress: "Oh, I do hope my giving you coffee wasn't bad for you, Mr. Hoyt." She was alongside in a canoe

which was scraping the side of the sampan. With her was Turva Massic, her pale gray eyes wide on the deck, leaning toward them, and had apparently told them what was going on. Thornton must have seen them then for the first time, for he said

"You girls shouldn't have come out here."

"Well, why shouldn't we?" Jone retorted. "All that outing for Bronson and seeing you men coming out here so mysteriously!"

Turva shuddered, "I'm glad it was only a a dream,"

Why were they all so anxious to establish that there had been no murder? My mind was so busy with this problem that my recollections of the next few minutes is hazy. I know the two girls came aboard, asking if there was anything they could do for me, and that Herb demanded their attention on the plea that it was he who "nearly got killed." They investigated that, I remember, examining the lump on his head and asking in the same breath:

"But who hit you?" Herb took his hand from its resting place on top of the cabin, seemed to find something on it, and wiped his fingers on the front of his shorts before he glanced over his shoulder at me and said: "I'm not saying just who-but I got an idea."

That brought me out of my fog and I started to protest when Budd took my arm and said: "You just come along, Mr. Hoyt. I'll go down with you and see you all fixed up for the night."

I shook him off, suddenly, desperately, "Listen! I'm not de-lirious. I know what I saw. And I'll find splinters of glass to prove he broke a bottle of my Scotch on the deck."

I went over to the side of the cabin and swung the lantern close to the deck. I saw Dr. Latham motion of Bud to let me alone. Herb helpfully began looking beyond the ice locker where there had never been any glass. I bent low and searched the deck with more and more care, but could find not one fragment of glass even though I rubbed my hand over the painted surface. Finally I retreated to lean against the cabin top, completely outdone.

"This yours?" Herb offered my flashlight.

Aircraft Warning Service Week Aug. 1 to 7

