

The Oregon Statesman

"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe"
From First Statesman, March 28, 1851

THE STATESMAN PUBLISHING COMPANY
CHARLES A. SPRAGUE, Editor and Publisher

Member of the Associated Press

The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to the use for publication of all news dispatches credited to it or not otherwise credited in this newspaper.

Support the Army of Mercy

Today marks the beginning of the public campaign on behalf of the American Red Cross. The quota set for the Marion county chapter which will include the amount needed by the local office for the year is \$74,000. Probably for no other single organization can as much be said and for no other organization need as little be said to sustain its appeal for funds. For the American Red Cross is a common denominator of intelligent charity. While the Red Cross is no longer the agency taking care of wounded on the field of battle, which was its original purpose at the battle of Solferino in Italy in 1864, it still is the angel of mercy to soldiers and sailors, and the agent of helpfulness to bewildered and buffeted families of men in service.

Editor Ingalls of the Corvallis G-T has summarized the work of the Red Cross which we borrow for use herewith:

For the year ending February 29 the Red Cross have served service men or their family by camp and hospital workers to the extent of 3,800,000 and by chapters, 2,500,000. They have established clubs and recreation centers overseas with money contributed by American citizens to the number of 350. These are perhaps the only means by which our soldiers abroad can get any amusement to help them take their minds off the war. In addition to these permanent recreation centers, the Red Cross operates "clubhouses." There are 85 of these instruments of cheer which go to the boys next to the front lines, or as close as possible. The Red Cross furnished army and navy hospital recreational buildings to the extent of 245; sun rooms in military hospitals furnished, 2300; camp and hospital councils and committees, 225; and they have furnished recreational events in camps and hospitals to the tune of 135,000. We can think of no place where the average citizen can put his money to better advantage than by donating it to the Red Cross.

The pints of blood requested of Red Cross by the United States army and navy since February 1941 amount to 11,000,000. There are 35 centers for blood donors in the United States and 63 mobile units in operation for the same purpose. How many thousands of lives have been saved by plasma cannot of course be stated, but Major General Kirk, surgeon general of the United States army, has declared that plasma ranked first as the life saver in North Africa. Rear Admiral Ross T. McIntyre announced for the navy that only one per cent of navy personnel wounded in the South Pacific died, thanks in a large part to blood plasma.

One of the functions of the Red Cross is to recruit and select nurses for the army and navy. There are 343 chapters having major recruitment committees. These have enrolled 115,300 nurses for the army and navy and have issued 400,000 certificates for home nursing. No other organization is equipped to handle this problem as is the Red Cross.

One of the most merciful functions of the Red Cross is its contact with prisoners of war. During the past year, the Red Cross packed 5390 food parcels, 160,000 convalescence parcels, and over 5000 Red Cross nurses volunteered in these packing centers. The value of the Gripsholm cargo, for instance, was \$1,500,000.

No "selling" should be required for the Red Cross. But it does take organization and effort to see that all people are visited and contributions received. With Elton Thompson as campaign chairman such an organization has been perfected. Now the people should be ready with generous response when the solicitors call. We know we'll do it; let's make it a quick, snappy campaign and get it over with.

Always a Reporter

David W. Hazen, veteran member of the Oregonian staff, who died last week in Portland, was one newspaper man who stuck to his trade of writing. So many men begin as reporters and then graduate to inside jobs—copy desk, staff positions—that news writing seems to be a young man's game. But Hazen was one who stayed with his typewriter. It might better be said his typewriter stayed by him because he journeyed to far places in pursuit of the great and the near great whom he interviewed. Hazen remained always the reporter.

Rare indeed was his gift at friendly and accurate interviewing. He had a way of gaining audience, and then never abused the trust of the persons he interviewed. The Oregonian shares in the credit, for it encouraged him in his specialty, and published his interviews in its columns. Hazen's work was worthy enough that considerable portions of it were gathered up and printed in book form.

We'll all miss the familiar by-line that went with his copy.

Fire Prevention in Tokyo

Frightened for fear of bombings in Tokyo the Japanese government has ordered householders to put out open fires in their houses to prevent conflagration. What a futile precaution that is. Bombs from the air carry their fires with them, hot fires, spreading fires that will reduce the flimsy frame homes of the Japanese to ashes. It will take more than putting out home fires to avert the certain doom of the city. Even if the people are kept in ignorance the high command knows what the nature of American air might is, and how devastating it is wherever it comes in force.

More practical is the order to evacuate Tokyo, but where are the people to go? For Japan is already densely populated, and you cannot move people about on the map like coal and lumber. Japanese spokesmen admit now that "Japan has entered upon the decisive phase of the Pacific war." That is correct, and the record on the Solomons, the Gilberts, the Marshalls and New Britain islands reveals what the decision will be ultimately on Honshu, Kyushu, Shikoku and Hokkaido.

Army dentists have since Pearl Harbor fitted 1,075,000 new dentures. What a batch of new initiates for Sips' FT&BA!

Reds take Dno, push on." They Dno where they're going and they're on their way.

Postwar Collegiate Sports

Events aren't shaping up too rosy for that "brave new postwar world" some idealists, and some earnest folk who tried their level best to keep feet on the ground, were visioning a while back. On the other hand, some old slums have been leveled and whatever takes their place should be an improvement.

Take "big business" collegiate sports, with their subsidization and proselyting of star athletes. We're not so naive as to imagine the system has been squelched entirely by the war, but it has been disrupted. Though a few colleges managed to lure and reward a few athletes, their football teams last fall were in no case up to standard unless they had navy boys to draw upon. In addition, spring practice was eliminated, fall practice was curtailed, schedules were shortened, cross-country trips were out. The game was quite thoroughly de-emphasized. Most of us never expected to live to see the day.

Yet both de-emphasized football and the sorry sub-standard remnant of professional baseball drew tremendous crowds; in baseball's case, record crowds. It proves what this column, sports-minded but with reservations, long ago contended. Crowds turn out for a good close, lively contest between reasonably skilled teams; the fans don't actually demand super-football or super-baseball.

Teams sufficiently formidable and efficient to pass the grid fans' scrutiny can be recruited, in peacetime, from the boys who just happen to enroll in the colleges for the old-fashioned purpose of gaining an education. We know more than one successful coach who would prefer it that way.

Following war's housecleaning, can it be carried on that way? That's difficult to say. Even if it starts that way, in each conference some coach with a losing season behind him and the old grads on his trail will take a leaf out of the old pre-war book and entice an Ole Skjarsen to good old Siwash for a course in banjo strumming, and the race will be on. Unless...

Unless proper rules with teeth in them to prevent it are adopted beforehand. Here is a glowing opportunity for some praiseworthy post-war planning.

One labor group described Sen. Barkley's resignation as "treachery" and a few other things. That particular labor group is one of several, if not many, which could do with a broader viewpoint and a sense of humor.

Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Copyright 1944 by the Associated Press

Japanese reluctance to come to grips with American task forces hammering virtually unmolested at such enemy bastions as Truk, the Marianas stepping-stones and Guam is exciting conjecture from even Nazi commentators.

A Berlin broadcast apparently based on Tokyo advices says all Japan now is aware that the "American advance in the Pacific is no isolated enterprise" from which the attackers are apt to "recoil to their original bases" but holds the threat of American bombing of Japan itself. It suggests that "the Japanese are not willing to use their fleet in waters where the Americans might have air supremacy."

That may be a partial explanation of failure of the Japanese thus far to put up any formidable resistance in the central Pacific except for the stand of abandoned atoll garrisons. It does not fully answer the question as to Japanese fleet deployment, however, or what actually is causing Tokyo warlords to accept successive damaging blows without retaliation.

Delayed eye-witness accounts from the mighty force which dealt the Truk, Marianas and Guam blows in fast succession without finding any trace of the enemy fleet or of its air arm, afford another possible answer. They disclose for the first time some definite hint of the massed power of that armada.

It was a fleet in itself, tremendously strong in both sea and air elements. It was adequate presumably to deal with any naval and air force the enemy had available and Tokyo knew it.

It now develops that the great task force definitely was spotted by Japanese planes before it struck at Guam. A desperate and utterly futile air attempt to ward off the stroke resulted. It only served to emphasize the weakness of Japanese air deployments on the islands involved.

The Japanese high command must have had detailed reports on the strength, composition and whereabouts of the US force, relayed from the scouting plane that sighted it.

That raises an important question as to whether there is any central concentration of Japanese sea-and-air power in the Pacific. It tends to suggest that the enemy fleet is even now badly dispersed to meet all actual or probable allied threats.

There has been encouraging news from the Burma front within the last few days. Lord Mountbatten's command is at least gaining good tactical positions for the ultimate recapture of the Akyed enemy base on the Burma coast of the Bay of Bengal. Farther north British and Chinese troops are making some progress toward insuring the security of the new India-China Leda road when it is completed.

Mountbatten's assignment to the southwestern Asia command implied, however, that the main allied attack in that theatre would be amphibious, across the Bay of Bengal. There have been official intimations that much of the British Mediterranean fleet now is in the Indian ocean. That ultimatum allied objective—to break into the China sea from the southwest—must be plain to the Japanese.

The coming monsoons probably will halt extensive land fighting in Burma for some months. It will not necessarily prevent amphibious attacks in the Bay of Bengal sector to seize vantage points offering bases for air command of China sea approaches. And a substantial portion of Japan's prime naval strength may be deployed to meet that danger, unavailable to help hold at arm's length the American advance in the central and south Pacific despite the growing bombing threat to Japan itself.



A Light in Our Window!

Today's Radio Programs

KSLM—WEDNESDAY—1290 Ks.

7:00—News.
7:30—Marion County Farm and Home Program.
7:45—Rise 'n' Shine.
7:50—News.
7:55—Morning Moods.
8:00—Cherry City News.
8:05—Orchestra.
8:10—Tango Time.
8:15—Pastor's Call.
8:20—It's the Truth.
8:30—Orchestra.
8:35—News.
8:40—Cowboys.
8:45—Sophisticates.
8:50—Music.
8:55—Hits of Yesterday.
9:00—News.
9:05—Matinee.
9:10—Orchestra.
9:15—Johnny Luneford.
9:20—Melody's Melodies.
9:25—Spotlight on Rhythm.
9:30—Melody's Melodies.
9:35—US Marines.
9:40—News.
9:45—Broadway Band Wagon.
9:50—Concert Hour.
9:55—Al and Lee Reiser.
10:00—News.
10:05—Boys' Town.
10:10—March Militaire.
10:15—Let's Reminisce.
10:20—Melody's Melodies.
10:25—Tonight's Headlines.
10:30—War News Commentary.
10:35—Evening Serenade.
10:40—Ten-Two-Four.
10:45—Ten-Two-Four.
10:50—Music.
10:55—Joy Burnett.
11:00—This Is Your Business.
11:05—Red Cross.
11:10—Keynote.
11:15—War Fronts in Review.
11:20—Interlude.
11:25—Hollywood.
11:30—Mustangs.
11:35—Treasury Star Parade.
11:40—News.
11:45—Old Times.
11:50—Kate Smith Wilson.
11:55—Serenade.
12:00—News.

KGW—NBC—WEDNESDAY—420 Ks.

4:00—Dawn Patrol.
4:05—Labor News.
4:10—Mirth and Madness.
4:15—News Parade.
4:20—Labor News.
4:25—Journal of Living.
4:30—News.
4:35—Reveille Roundup.
4:40—Sam Hay.
4:45—Stars of Today.
4:50—James Abbe Covers the News.
4:55—Drum.
5:00—David Harum.
5:05—Personality Hour.
5:10—David Harum.
5:15—Music.
5:20—Bob Forbes.
5:25—Our Go Sunday.
5:30—Front Page Farrell.
5:35—Road of Life.
5:40—V. Kattenberg.
5:45—B. Boynton.
5:50—Rambling Reader.
5:55—Dr. Kate.
6:00—The World.
6:05—Caribbean Nights.
6:10—Golden Gate Quartet.
6:15—V. Kattenberg.
6:20—OK for Release.
6:25—How Do You Do It.
6:30—Ray Foster Commentator.
6:35—Louis F. Locner.
6:40—Eddie Center.
6:45—Mr. District Attorney.
6:50—Kay Kyser's College.
6:55—Fred Waring in Pleasure Time.
7:00—Commentator.
7:05—Beat the Band.
7:10—Mr. and Mrs. North.
7:15—Joyce Jordan.
7:20—News Flasher.
7:25—Your Home Town News.
7:30—Labor News.
7:35—Voice of a Nation.
7:40—Music.
7:45—News.
7:50—2 A.M.—Swing Shift.

KOIN—CBS—WEDNESDAY—590 Ks.

6:00—Northwest Farm Reporter.
6:05—Breakfast Bulletin.
6:10—Texas Rangers.
6:15—KOIN Kloc.
6:20—News.
6:25—Nelson Fringle, News.
6:30—Consumer News.
6:35—Tallent Lady.
6:40—Stories America Loves.
6:45—Aunt Jenny.
6:50—Kate Smith Speaks.
6:55—Big Sister.
7:00—Romance of Helen Trent.
7:05—Our Go Sunday.
7:10—Life Can Be Beautiful.
7:15—Ma Perkins.
7:20—Bernadine Flynn.
7:25—Young Dr. Malone.
7:30—Joyce Jordan.
7:35—We Love and Learn.
7:40—News.
7:45—Mary Martin.
7:50—Nelson.
7:55—William Winter, News.

12:45—Bachelor's Children.

1:00—Broadway Matinee.
1:25—Air-Flt.
1:30—New Horizons.
2:00—Open Door.
2:15—Newspaper of the Air.
2:45—American Women.
3:00—News.
3:15—Lynn Murray Show.
3:30—Stars of Today.
3:45—The World Today.
3:50—Chet Huntley.
4:00—Stars of Today.
4:15—Bob Anderson, News.
4:30—Easy Aces.
4:40—Galen Drake.
4:55—Red's Gang.
5:00—Harry Flannery, News.
5:45—News.
5:55—Bill Henry.
6:00—Frank Sinatra.
6:30—Jack Carson.
7:30—Great Moments in Music.
7:35—Manhunt.
7:40—Love Do You Say?
8:15—Harry James Orchestra.
8:30—Dr. Christian.
8:45—News.
9:00—Sammy Kaye.
9:30—Northwest News.
9:40—Five Star Final.
10:15—Warline Women.
10:20—Horace Heidt Orch.
10:30—Music.
11:00—Diane Gayle & Milton Charles.
11:30—Phil Harris.
11:45—Dale Jones Orch.
11:55—Serenade.
12:30—6:30 a.m.—Music and News.

KALE—MBS—WEDNESDAY—1330 Ks.

6:45—Dave West.
7:00—News.
7:15—Texas Rangers.
7:30—Memory Timekeeper.
8:00—Bible Institute.
8:30—News.
8:45—Wax shop.
9:15—How Do You Say It?
9:30—Boake Carter.
9:45—Woman's Side of the News.
9:55—Buyer's Parade.
10:00—News.
10:05—Aunt Jimmie.
10:10—News.
10:15—What's the News?
10:30—This and That.
10:35—Cedric Foster.
11:15—Marking.
11:30—Music.
11:45—Melody Rendezvous.
12:00—News.
12:15—Music.
12:45—Farm Front.
12:50—Melody Time.
1:00—Walter Compton.
1:15—Luncheon with Lopez.
1:30—Pop Concert.
1:45—Dinner.
2:00—Ray Dady.
2:15—Texas Rangers.
2:30—Your For a Song.
2:45—Warline Women.
2:50—News.
3:00—Radio Tour.
3:15—Stars of Today.
3:30—Lean Back & Listen.
3:45—Johnson Family.
4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
4:15—Music.
4:45—News.
5:00—Shady Valley Folks.
5:15—Superman.
5:30—Show Time.

Today's Garden

By LILLIE MADSEN

In carrying on the subject of succulents which was brought to my attention a few days ago, I will mention a few varieties which may be of interest to the succulent collector. Perhaps one of the most showy is the South American *Roches*, which sends up several blossom stems about 15 inches high with brilliant two-inch long scarlet, fragrant flowers. The blooms are in a head-like cluster, somewhat resembling phlox. It is a good pot plant and its bloom is lasting. The *Kalanchoe* is even larger than the *Roches*. This, too, is from South America. It may reach a height of 24 inches. The flowers are pink and fragrant and also born in clusters.

The Mexican *Pachyphytum* is a bluish-green herb, 8 to 12 inches high, with very thick leaves borne in rosettes on the stem. The flowers are a one-sided cluster of red.

The Mexican *Echeveria* comes in both a red and a pink variety. This grows about 18 inches tall. An interesting succulent is the African *Haworthia* *coarctata*, with leaves in a rosette at the end of a stem from five to seven inches long. The leaves are about two inches long and three-fourths of an inch wide, prominently white-warty. The flowers are reddish, growing in a cluster at the end of a stalk no over 12 inches high.

House Hearing Airs Disputed Oregon Land

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29—(AP)—A dispute over a map of Oregon and California reversion lands today enlivened a congressional hearing into the future of the property.

Rep. Ellsworth (R-Ore) told the house public lands committee the map was a "deliberate intention to mislead" because it showed the indemnity lands as part of national forests.

The forest service is disputing with the interior department for control of the 472,000 acres in the land grant. Eighteen Oregon counties are supporting the interior department. They would get 50 per cent of the income from the lands if administered by the interior department, 25 per cent if administered by the forest service.

Ellsworth, a member of the committee, said the map was prepared by the forest service, but there was nothing on the map to indicate this, nor was there anything to indicate the lands were in dispute.

It "denies by implication any were in dispute," Ellsworth said. Lee Kneip, assistant chief of the forest service, admitted it was a forest service map, and said it had been distributed only to aid members in locating the lands in question.

Guy Cordon, attorney representing the Oregon counties, said court decisions held that the Oregon and California railroad grant lands must be accorded the same treatment as other reversioned railroad lands. He then read court decisions holding that the government had no right to include in national forest land already granted to the railroad. The forest service took over administration of the lands upon their reversion, because the lands were in their forest boundaries, he testified in the last public hearing on the measure.

FDR Promises Coast Areas More Housing

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29—(AP)—President Roosevelt has promised continued action to get needed community facilities for congested war production areas, Chairman Vinson (D-Ga) of the house naval affairs committee disclosed today.

Vinson made public a letter from the president praising the "effective way" a naval affairs subcommittee, headed by Rep. Izac (D-Calif) investigated problems confronting war-busy Atlantic and Pacific coast centers.

"The hearings and report of this subcommittee," wrote the president, "have done much to focus attention on the fact that in areas where recent large increases in population have occurred, one of the most important causes of high absenteeism and turnover in war plants has been the lack of adequate community facilities and services."

Members of the Izac subcommittee include Reps. Mott (R-Ore) and Anderson (R-Calif).

Principalship Remains Open

No decision has yet been made as to a successor to Fred D. Wolf, who resigned as Salem high school principal last week, according to word from the office of School Superintendent Frank Bennett, though it was acknowledged that several applications have been received and one or two "leads" uncovered.

Bennett emphasized that he and the school board will stop at nothing short of a highly qualified man, and it is considered likely that the appointment, when it comes, will bring in a man from the outside.

The principalship pays a yearly salary of \$3800.

6:45—It's Oregon's War.
6:55—News.
7:00—Evening Farm Hour.
7:30—Shortland Contest.
8:00—Music.
8:30—News.
9:45—Evening Meditations.
10:30—Sign Off.

YMCA Council Slates Banquet

Feature of the YMCA Northwest Area Council meetings set for Salem this weekend will be the Friday night banquet at the Marion hotel at 6:30 p. m. with Roy Sorenson, associate national YMCA secretary, as speaker. His subject will be, "We Face the Unmet Needs of Youth."

Some 100 delegates from 30 cities in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana have already registered for the event. All interested persons are invited. Dr. Frank E. Brown and Carl Abrams are Salem members of the council.

Discussions at the banquet will center on forward thinking—looking ahead to the next century of YMCA endeavor.

Other features will be vocal renditions by Corydon Blodgett and dinner music under the direction of Mary Talmadge Headrick.

Council luncheon meetings are slated for Friday and Saturday noons.

Officials Mull Postwar Sale Of US Stocks

How the war accumulation of government surplus stocks and commodities can be best disposed of without injuring the manufacturer and other lines of business was the topic of discussion at a meeting of federal and state officials here Tuesday.

Federal officials at the meeting included O. C. Braden, regional director, procurement division, and C. H. Peterson, chief of the property disposal division, both of Seattle, and S. A. Snyder, assistant director of the stores branch, procurement division, Washington, DC.

The state was represented by Budget Director George Aiken, Sam Gillette, state purchasing agent; E. L. Peterson, state agricultural director, and Roy Mills, secretary of the state board of control.

Local officials proposed that the surplus government stocks, now confined largely to army camps and government warehouses, be distributed through the regular trade channels. "Such a plan," they said, "would prevent flooding the market to the detriment of the manufacturing industry."

Braden pointed out that the government now has 1,000,000 blankets, 180 automobiles and trucks in Seattle, and more than 50 carloads of furniture in Portland, which is subject to sale.

Business College Must Pay Taxes

The state supreme court Tuesday reversed Circuit Judge Alfred P. Dobson, Multnomah county, and held that the Behnke-Walker business college in Portland must pay taxes on its property.

Chief Justice J. O. Bailey, who wrote the opinion, held that the college is not entitled to tax exemption because it is not used for literary, benevolent, charitable or scientific purposes and is operated for profit.

The college originally filed the suit against Multnomah county. The lower court held for the college.

The high court affirmed Circuit Judge Walter Toose, Multnomah county, in a damage suit brought by Horace Erb against D. Cancilla for assault and battery. The circuit court awarded Erb \$3046 damages. Justice James T. Brand wrote this opinion.

Hi-Y to Convene At Swan Island

Plans for the area Hi-Y congress to be held at the Swan Island and shipyards in Portland March 24-26, are rapidly being completed, and the Salem YMCA has issued a list of those who will represent the three Salem chapters at the event. Chapters and delegates: Arthur Cotton—Bob Bennett, Bill Merriam and Keith Olsen; Abel Gregg—Bob Skopli, Alden Sundlie and Jim Hess; Harrison Elliot—Jack Slater, Bob Macy and Richard Page. Alternates will be Roy Huock, Jr., Don Yocum, Howard Elwood and Eugene Lowe.

IT SEEMS TO ME

(Continued from Page 1)

parenthood doesn't end until children are matured, but still the relationship should grow freer, with children given more self-reliance for the development of their own self-control.

So I say, that while these Saturday night affairs at the Y are splendid, the home must not give up its responsibility in this field too completely. The young people themselves, while they like a fling now and then at outside affairs, also relish entertainment in homes. Then there is a large body of youth who are slow to bud out socially, but who should be encouraged in friendly association with one or two or more pals. And there is nothing like a raid on the family refrigerator to crown an evening of good times within the home.

Stevens

Only A Stevens
Diamond
Is As Good As
The Stevens
Guarantee



All Jewelry Work,
Diamond Setting and
Engraving Done in Our
Own Shop

Stevens & Son
333 East 31st St.
Manufacturing Jewelers