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"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe"  
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### War Memorials

One can trace a country's military history by the overlapping layers of war memorials. Most every midwestern county seat town has a statue erected in tribute to the "boys in blue," and farther west we have the familiar doughboy statues which sprinkle the town squares in memory of those who fought in the First World War. In many cases the mass production castings of bronze are condemned as poor art, and so there has arisen some demand that memorials to follow this Second World War not be of the catalog tombstone type, but be unique in rendering service to those who live.

For example we have just received a circular from a Commission for Community War Memorials for Physical Fitness. It is headed by George M. Trautman, president of the American Association baseball league. Gene Tunney is a member. The idea of the commission is to stimulate the establishment of war memorials for physical fitness in communities throughout the nation. The circular says:

These memorials will be in the form of physical fitness facilities which will provide the opportunity for the development and maintenance of physical fitness for all the people.

For a pleasing change the commission says it is "not a fund-raising organization." It merely is encouraging local communities to finance such things as swimming pools, athletic fields, recreation grounds, etc.

The idea sounds pretty good, though war memorials should by no means be limited to sports-palasts. There is even a place, and a large place for art in bronze or stone, provided it is art. Salem for example needs a large, well located athletic field. It has several fields—Olinger field for the high school, Sweetland field for Willamette, Waters baseball park for baseball. But what a wonderful thing it would be to lay out on the Bush pasture flat, which eventually will come to the city, a great athletic grounds, with grandstands of concrete, adequate playing field, dressing rooms, ample parking space, etc. Whether we label it war memorial or not the field would meet a real need, and the community might well be looking forward to such a development.

### Going, Going . . .

What went up in such a flutter and fury one, two or three years ago is now starting to come down, but not in any blaze of glory. Army engineers are announcing the call for bids for some 40 to 50 buildings in Oregon, being four army camps and one CCC camp. Bidders will have to dismantle and remove within 30 days all fixtures, materials and equipment. This will include heating units, plumbing fixtures, lumber, etc.

One of the units being dismantled is at Manzanita and includes four barracks, a messhall, bathhouse, latrine and recreation building. The buildings were erected of new lumber about a year and a half ago. Also coming up is the disposal of army camps at Newport, Bandon, Waldport and a CCC camp at Woahink lake. This is the opportunity many have been waiting for. They will want to get the lumber or the furnaces or the plumbing fixtures for homes or cabins or for farm buildings. Very few persons however can bid on whole camp layouts so the successful bidders will resell in job lots to the ultimate users.

The realization to the government will be at small percentage of the cost because of the loss of labor both ways, in building and then in tearing down. (In recent sales the government has realized only about 20c per square foot.) But there will be considerable salvage, and in view of the fact that building materials are now so scarce the prices on resale ought to be fairly good.

The big question around here is what will happen to Camp Adair. The buildings there are of temporary construction, and while the camp will surely be retained until the Pacific war is over it is doubtful if it will be continued after that. There will surely be a lot of used lumber and housing fixtures on the market when that camp comes down. If anyone wants to go into the junk business on a big scale, junk of buildings supplies, he should try his hand on these government sales of abandoned camps.

Gen. De Gaulle still says he is coming to Washington to visit President Roosevelt. He will be about as welcome as ragweed at this season to hay fever sufferers in Ohio; but the conviction is growing that Roosevelt's French policy is no better than his French accent.

Says the Astorian-Budget: "We have defended Finland before, and more particularly the Finnish people as we understand them." Since Astoria must be about the second largest Finnish city the A-B ought to understand the Finns if anybody does.

Cotton goods—sheets, pillow cases, house dresses, men's work clothes—will all cost more because the southern senators jimmied the OPA bill to force higher prices for cotton. That is one way of financing their reelection.

According to trade reports there will be enough brooms this year so that each family can have a new one. Well, new brooms sweep clean, and if the voters get them before election day, and use them. . . .

San Francisco papers the other day reported news of an earthquake recorded on the seismograph at Berkeley: "The quake was moderate, estimated at 28000 miles from Berkeley." No fire in SF, either.

The Oregonian has an editorial on the subject "How to cook a fish." Our recipe is the same as for steamed rabbit—first catch him.

### Oregon's First Novel

In the June number of Oregon Historical Quarterly Prof. Herbert B. Nelson of Oregon State college has an article telling about the first novel written in Oregon. It was written as a work of fiction but really was a "true confession" story, as Prof. Nelson says. The title of the book was "Grains, or Passages in the Life of Ruth Rover, with Occasional Pictures of Oregon Natural and Moral," and it was published in 1854. The author was Margaret Jewett Bailey, and she was the "Ruth Rover" of her book. Mrs. Bailey started to publish her work in monthly serial form, about like the Dickens novels of the period, but so far as is known only two issues were printed. Of these only one copy is known to be extant and that is of the second volume. It is owned by the Oregon State library, but evidently was once the property of J. Quinn Thornton, early-day lawyer in Salem.

This writer recalls how the late Miss Long, state librarian, prized this volume when she learned how rare it was. She showed it with pride to visitors at the library, and hoped that the first volume might someday be obtained.

Mrs. Bailey was Margaret J. Smith, an intelligent young woman who came out with the missionary immigration of 1837. Prof. Nelson describes her as "a sensitive, energetic, pioneer woman" though withal her book reveals her as "a sharp-tongued school-marm." She married Dr. William J. Bailey and they settled on a farm on French Prairie. Dr. Bailey who seems to have been both drunkard and panderer, died miserably for the sensitive Margaret. They lived and fought and separated (some 10 or 12 times) and finally Margaret got a divorce.

This made her something of an outcast in those days when a divorce was regarded as quite sinful, so she vented her accumulated grievances in the splanetic book, "Grains." It was such a hot number that it drew universal disapproval by the book critics of the Oregonian and the Spectator. In its frankness it antedates by a full half century and longer the "confessions" stories and in its realism the "Strange Fruit" of modern literature.

It is to be hoped the first volume can be found; and the few whiffs that Prof. Nelson gives us of the second volume induce the belief that a reprinting would find quite a market.

### Hi Ho Silver!

Western senators to the number of 25 have asked Pres. Roosevelt to urge the monetary conference at Bretton Woods to adopt silver as well as gold for any international fund. One feels like saying, "Good Lord, do we have to go through THAT again?" These western senators have made silver a load of lead around the neck of the US treasury for some 10 years. On the plea of "doing something for silver" congress passed a bill (and Roosevelt signed it) by which the treasury pays fancy prices for silver which it doesn't need and can't use.

The evils of bimetallism were clearly exposed in the historic campaign of 1896, but the political pressure of a few western states, thinly populated, but with two apiece in the senate, has kept going this raid on the treasury for the benefit of a few mining companies, one of the richest of which, the Sunshine, fought complying with the Wagner act in dealing with employees just as long as it could.

How long will it be before congress gets guts enough to treat silver for what it should be, just another metal?

### Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WAR ANALYST

The Nazi grip on all the Baltic states is fast slipping under the Russian offensive in White Russia, giving rise to speculation that a general German retreat may be in progress in the north to the Bug river line covering northwestern Poland and eastern Prussia. That could explain Nazi failure to hold such powerful White Russian defensive bastions as Polotsk and Minsk.

Berlin admission of the collapse of the so-called Fatherland front in Russia within 11 days from the onset of the Russian attack implies that a flight to the 1939 Nazi-Russian partition line in Poland may have been ordered from Berlin. It would mean abandonment of all the Baltic states; but if the Russian drive could be held long enough to permit their complete evacuation, it would effect a drastic shortening of the Nazi defense front in the east. It also would permit employment of the "east wall" defenses, built along the Bug from Brest Litovsk to link up with Russia's eastern frontier.

The Russian attack, however, already is menacing German escape routes from Estonia, Latvia and northern Lithuania.

There have been recent hints of Nazi preparations to fall back in the Baltic states. Strenuous German efforts to turn the Aland islands off the tip of the Finnish peninsula into an upper Baltic Gibraltar have been reported from Sweden.

Nor can Berlin officials doubt that the Russian offensive to force Finland out of the war is closely linked with the westward drive by red forces. Taken together, the two Russian summer operations represent a massive move to clear whole upper Baltic of the enemy and threaten German supply lines on the lower Baltic.

Either from air bases in the Baltic states or by use of submarines and smaller surface warcraft the Russians could dominate the whole reach of the Baltic and virtually blockade the flow of high-grade Swedish iron ore to Germany.

In the east as in the west, however, the Nazi high command is faced by baffling uncertainty as to real Russian allied grand strategy. It knows that reeled and recuperated Ukrainian armies, now backed by adequate supply routes, are poised all the way south from the Pripiet marshes to the Black sea.

That forbids any weakening of the Nazi front southward of Brest Litovsk.



He Huffed and He Puffed

### Today's Radio Programs

- KSXM-NBS-Wednesday-1300 Kc.
  - 6:00-Musical Timekeeper.
  - 6:30-It's The Truth.
  - 6:45-News.
  - 7:00-News.
  - 7:30-Farm & Home Program.
  - 7:30-Handy Man.
  - 7:45-Today's Top Trades.
  - 8:00-Dr. Faibot.
  - 8:30-News.
  - 8:45-Orchestra.
  - 9:00-Bookie Carter.
  - 9:15-Factor's Call.
  - 9:30-Midland USA.
  - 9:45-Amazing Jennifer Logan.
  - 10:00-News.
  - 10:15-Jack Birch.
  - 10:30-Luncheon with Lopez.
  - 10:45-American Woman's Jury.
  - 11:00-Cedric Foster.
  - 11:15-Walk Time.
  - 11:30-Skyline Serenade.
  - 11:45-Kellogg Musical Library.
  - 12:00-Orphanettes.
  - 12:15-News.
  - 12:30-Hillbilly Serenade.
  - 12:45-Nashville Varieties.
  - 1:00-The Smoother.
  - 1:00-News.
  - 1:15-Afternoon Melodies.
  - 1:30-Your Army Service Forces.
  - 1:45-News.
  - 2:00-Broadway Band Wagon.
  - 2:15-Concert.
  - 2:45-Radio Tours.
  - 3:00-News.
  - 3:05-Concert Hour.
  - 3:15-Johnson Family.
  - 4:00-Fulton Lewis, Jr.
  - 4:15-Merry Moon.
  - 4:30-World's Front Page.
  - 4:45-House of Revivers.
  - 5:00-News.
  - 5:15-News.
  - 5:30-Tom Mix.
  - 5:45-Gordon Burke.
  - 6:00-Cabaret Heater.
  - 6:15-Screen Test.
  - 6:30-First Nighter.
  - 6:45-World Commentaries.
  - 7:15-Lewell Thomas.
  - 7:30-Lone Ranger.
  - 7:45-Would You Believe It?
  - 8:15-Jan Garber.
  - 8:30-Builders Drummond.
  - 8:45-Superman.
  - 9:15-Cecil Brown.
  - 9:30-Fulton Lewis, Jr.
  - 9:45-Orchestra.
  - 10:00-Old Timers Orchestra.
  - 10:30-News.
  - 10:45-Music.
  - 11:00-Sign Off.
- KGW-NBC-WEDNESDAY-620 Kc.
  - 6:00-Dawn Patrol.
  - 6:30-Mirth and Madness.
  - 6:30-News Parade.
  - 7:00-Journal of Living.
  - 7:15-News.
  - 7:30-Reveille Roundup.
  - 7:45-San Hayes.
  - 8:00-Starts of Today.
  - 8:15-James Abbe Covers the News.
  - 8:30-Music.
  - 8:45-David Harum.
  - 9:00-Personality Hour.
  - 9:30-Music.
  - 9:45-Ruth Forbes.
  - 10:00-News.
  - 10:45-Art Baker's Notebook.
  - 11:00-The Guiding Light.
  - 11:15-Today's Children.
  - 11:30-Women in America.
  - 11:45-Hymns of All Churches.
  - 12:00-Women of America.
  - 12:15-Ma Perkins.
  - 12:30-Pepper Young's Family.
  - 12:45-Bliss to Happiness.
  - 1:00-Backstage Wife.
- KOAC-WEDNESDAY-630 Kc.
  - 10:30-News.
  - 10:35-Homemakers Hour.
  - 11:00-Southland Singers.
  - 11:15-Listen to Leibert.
  - 11:30-Concert Hall.
  - 12:00-News.
  - 12:15-noon Farm Hour.
  - 1:00-Ridin the Range.
  - 1:15-Treasury Radio.
  - 1:30-Variety Time.
  - 2:00-Homemakers' Half Hour.
  - 2:30-Memory Book of Music.
  - 3:00-News.
  - 3:15-Music.
  - 4:00-A to Z Novelty.
  - 4:10-Treasury Song for Today.
  - 4:15-General Smuts.
  - 4:30-Lawrence Welk.
  - 4:45-Book of the Week.
  - 5:00-On the Upbeat.
  - 5:30-Story Time.
  - 5:45-It's Oregon's War.
  - 6:00-Treasury Song.
  - 6:15-News.
  - 6:30-Evening Farm Hour.
  - 7:00-Music of Czechoslovakia.
  - 8:00-Marching to Victory.
  - 8:15-Beyond Victory.
  - 8:30-Music That Endures.
  - 9:00-News.
  - 9:45-Evening Meditations.
  - 10:00-Sign Off.
- KOIN-CBS-WEDNESDAY-630 Kc.
  - 6:00-News.
  - 6:15-Texas Rangers.
  - 6:30-KOIN Radio Club.
  - 7:15-News.
  - 7:30-News.
  - 8:00-Pringle, News.
  - 8:05-Consumer News.
  - 8:15-Valiant Lady.
  - 8:30-Light of the World.
  - 8:45-Aunt Jenny.
  - 9:00-Kate Smith Speaks.
  - 9:15-Big Sister.
  - 9:30-Romance of Helen Trent.
  - 9:45-Our Gal Sunday.
  - 10:00-Life Can Be Beautiful.
  - 10:15-Ma Perkins.
  - 10:30-Bernadine Flynn.
  - 10:45-The Goldbergs.
  - 11:00-Portia Faces Life.
- 11:15-Joyce Jordan.
- 11:30-Young Dr. Malone.
- 11:45-Perry Mason.
- 12:00-News.
- 12:15-Neighbors.
- 12:30-Bright Horizons.
- 12:45-Bachelor's Children.
- 1:00-Broadway Matinee.
- 1:20-Dorothy Fisher, Songs.
- 1:30-Mary Martin.
- 1:45-Mid-Afternoon Melodies.
- 2:00-Open Door.
- 2:15-Newspaper of the Air.
- 2:30-Stars of Today.
- 3:00-News.
- 3:15-Lyn Murray Show.
- 3:30-The World Today.
- 3:45-News.
- 4:00-Lady of the Press.
- 4:15-Bob Anderson, News.
- 4:30-Easy Aces.
- 4:45-Calen Drake.
- 5:15-Bed's Gang.
- 5:30-Harry Flannery, News.
- 5:45-News.
- 5:55-Bill Henry.
- 6:00-Jack Carson.
- 6:15-Mildred Bailey Show.
- 7:00-Music.
- 7:30-Manhattan.
- 7:45-Manhattan Melodies.
- 8:00-I Love A Mystery.
- 8:15-Passing Parade.
- 8:30-Dr. Christian.
- 8:55-News.
- 9:00-Allan Jones with Franko.
- 9:30-Northwest Neighbors.
- 10:00-Five Star Final.
- 10:30-Wednesday.
- 10:45-News.
- 11:00-Report to the Nation.
- 11:30-News.
- 11:35-Jack Teagarden Orchestra.
- 11:50-Air-File of the Air.
- 12:00-Manny Straz Orchestra.
- 12:15-Dale Jones Orchestra.
- 12:30-Serenade.
- 12:30-4:00 a.m.—Music and News.

### Battered Carrier Plane



This plane was a casualty of the battle of the Philippine sea, but these three navy fliers returned unhurt to their carrier. Standing in a hole in the tail surface of their plane, caused by Jap ack-sack, are C. J. Ross, Army, 2/c, Baxter Springs, Ky.; L. (67) E. H. Brandt, Santa Rosa, Calif.; and J. G. McLaughlin, Army, 2/c, Mills, Kan. (Associated Press photo.)

### Pursuit of Defeated Nazis In Italy No Fun for Yanks

By KENNETH L. DIXON  
WITH THE AEF IN ITALY, June 22-(Delayed)-(AP)—It is one of the ironies of war that the triumphant pursuit of a defeated and fleeing army becomes to the dirtbound doughboy making the chase just another nightmarish chapter in the long campaign. Some day, coming back from the fighting to regain his perspective, he will see how grand it looks in the light of world strategy; how it surpassed even the Russian campaign for sheer speed; how it made happy headlines back home.

Right now he only hopes that every foot forward means the day of victory—and peace and rest—is that much closer. . . .

For more than 30 hours the column marched. There had been a one-hour break for sleep somewhere back there, no one remembering exactly when or where, but after that, only a few minutes rest once in a while.

At the foot of a steep hill on the road to Ravi they called another break and the men crumpled into a nearby ditch. They didn't lie down, they didn't fall down, they collapsed. Packs, equipment and all fell in the dirt.

Looking at that straggling line of sheer exhaustion it seemed impossible that it ever would be revived. In a matter of seconds several had dropped off to sleep, others dragged out cigarettes, lighted them, pulled in great gulps of smoke and then lay there blowing it upward through the dusk of the evening.

Some tore open K rations or D rations others did nothing—neither slept nor smoked nor ate, but sat or lay there staring into space, their bearded faces blank.

A rifleman eased his arm out of a carbine strap, took off one shoe. His foot was red-spotted and swollen. He straightened his filthy socks, pulled his shoe back on slowly, painfully.

"Afraid to take the other one off," he said. "Couldn't get it back on. Like the time my girl took her new shoes off at the movies and had to walk home barefooted." He grinned fleetingly.

A few of the others started talking in short sentences. One couldn't forget the bed he never got to sleep on back in Rome.

"Had a mattress a foot thick," he said. "Just as I was about to get set we got orders to move. The bed had a pillow, too. Hadn't slept on a pillow for so long. Guess I'll have to get used to it again."

"Rome must be a nice place," said another. "Hope to get to see it again some day." Then he added speculatively, "Wonder what Pisa is like."

Someone mentioned the fighting in France, a few faces brightened. That was a big thing. That was a great thing. They could even talk about the strategy up there.

The order came to move on. They passed it down the line, shook a few sleeping soldiers. The other soldiers rose slowly, the reeling wave of movement trickled on down the line. The column started up the hill, tired, burning, swollen, dragging feet kicking up the settled dust again as they stumbled stubbornly on after a fleeing foe.

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passed on, or else scores of business establishments would fail, because in normal times they couldn't stand three per cent of their gross income. Many of the largest businesses operate on a margin of only a cent or two net per dollar of sales, and a three percent tax would wreck them unless they added it to their selling prices.

Sixty at sixty, the sibilant aliteration will prove catchy, the more so as older workers fear the lay-offs that will come with decline in war production. This is not the first time that a pension bill has been voted on in Oregon. In 1938 a "citizens' retirement annuity plan" to be financed by a transactions tax was defeated by a vote of 219,537 to 112,172; but that is no guaranty that the present bill will be defeated. It will not be unless business interests wake up and put on a real campaign against it. The proponents and the prospective beneficiaries will be eager to push for \$60 at age 60.

**7:15 P.M. LOWELL THOMAS NEWS TIME DON LEE-MUTUAL Standard of California**

**Stevens**  
The Only Manufacturing Jewelers in Salem  
Jewels Re-Set While You Wait . . .  
Here in our own store, we maintain a manufacturing department to repair jewelry, re-set diamonds and modernize mountings.  
Six girls ran away during the month and six were returned to their homes; nine of the 11 boys reported as runaways were returned.

### Police Arrest 113 Juveniles

One hundred thirteen juveniles were involved in cases dealt with during June by City Juvenile Officer Fred Beck, the monthly report of Chief of Police Frank Minio reveals.

Of these, 30 were children from outside the city limits; three were involved in burglary; 19 in larceny; three in sex offenses; three, neighborhood troubles; two, traffic violations; two were described to officers as "uncontrollable juveniles"; 12, vandalism; 22, first offense curfew violations; six, second offense curfew violations.

One case was that of neglected children; two, carelessness or mischief; five bicycles were recovered; 10 old cases were followed up and 22 investigations were not classified.

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