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Chemeketas on Guard

The Salem Chemeketas will be "boy scouts" again this year—doing a good turn for the forest service. Unable because of war conditions to hold their annual summer camp, the Salem outdoor club will do as it did last year man a lookout for the forest service in the Willamette national forest. Their lookout station this year will be Gold Butte, which overlooks the Humburg basin and the canyon of the Breitenbush river. Last year they took care of Battle Axe mountain station which is on the peak above Elk lake in the North Santiam country.

A party of Chemeketas packed in last weekend and set up Adolph Greenbaum as the lookout for the first week. Those scheduled to follow are Ann Foster, Alta Delano, Homer Nordyke, Bessie Smith, Burt Cray, George Lewis, Dorothy Middleton. They all have had some schooling in preparation for this duty. Misses Foster and Smith, Mrs. Middleton and George Lewis did turns on Battle Axe last summer. While they are "up top" these people will live like hermits, chopping their own wood, carrying water from a spring down the mountain, and cooking their own meals. Their only contact with the outside is by telephone. The guard must be on active duty at all daylight hours and at regular intervals make a check-look and report to the ranger office at Detroit. The guard must also be prepared to go to put out small fires that are nearby.

The forest service usually depends on hired men, many of them college students, to do forest guard work, but now most of the young men are in military service and older men are employed in mills and camps. So it is using volunteer groups to perform this service, and has found in outdoor clubs a ready response to its appeal. The Salem Chemeketas take almost a proprietary interest in the Santiam country. They have climbed many of its peaks, hiked its wooded or rocky trails, camped along its streams and lakes. These members feel they are not only getting a fine mountain outing, but doing a patriotic duty in helping preserve the forest resources of the state and the fine recreation land of the Oregon mountains. Ground-ings of the valley will both commend these volunteer lookouts—and envy them their experience.

Lucky Seven

The Chinese had planned much on proper recognition of winding up the seventh year of the Japanese war. In this country special effort was made that the anniversary of the day of the Japanese attack on Marco Polo bridge near Peiping did not pass without notice. The summer had been discouraging to China. At long last the Japs had overrun Changsha again, this time seemingly to hold it securely. They had Hengyang invested. It seemed certain they would march on down the railroad from Hankow to Canton and seal off east China from the capital at Chungking and obtain for themselves a land line of communication between Manchuria and north China and south China. But on this 7-7 day, the seventh day of the seventh month and the seventh year of the war, the Chinese armies did the seemingly incredible, they broke the Jap siege of Hengyang and sent the Jap armies reeling in retreat. All the Chinese have is manpower, rifles, a few machine guns and mortars, and the gallant assistance of the 14th American air force. It seems almost a miracle that again they have turned back the Japs who were determined to salvage some victory to crow about in this year of 1944.

The same day too, American super-bombers repeated their raid on the home island of Japan, this time without loss of a single plane. The Japs had launched their China drive hoping to capture the bases used by these huge fortresses, and they did force abandonment of the Hangyang airfield. But the great planes are still able to reach Japan.

On 7-7-7 day the proverbial luck that attends that number was definitely with the Chinese; opportunity too, for China's position is more desperate than any time before in this long, agonizing struggle.

V can still stand for the numeral five, for the Vth war loan went over with a real V for victory.

Editorial Comment

From Other Papers

Treasure Trove
There is nothing surprising about the Italian police finding a treasure in paintings, pottery, silver and liquor in the garage used by the mistress of Roberto Farinacci, former secretary of the fascist party. Wherever the thieving party chiefs of fascism and nazism have operated there will be caches of stolen goods of great value. They stole everything they could lay hands on, hoodlums suddenly rolling in power and luxury. And Farinacci was one of the worst of the crooks.

Judging by the treasure in the garage, he was generous to the ladies with what did not belong to him. In this he contrasted with Fleury, the chief minister of Louis XV, who was generous and meticulous with public funds, but personally a sybarite of whom it was said that he was a great expense to his mistress.—San Francisco Chronicle.

For A Fourth Term

Mixed in with the box of buttons for the San Francisco Fifth War Bond drive committee were found a lot of fourth-term-for-Roosevelt-buttons. The NuDeal party never overlooks a bet. By sending out these Roosevelt lapel buttons with the Fifth War Bond drive buttons, they saved express charges.

Just how many of these buttons the War Loan committee was supposed to pass out, the dispatch from Los Angeles fails to state. The Los Angeles Times published a picture of both the War Loan button and the 4th term button, side by side. It is quite apparent from the picture on the Roosevelt 4th term button that they are using those in the likeness of the man's photograph of 1932.—Corvallis Gazette Times.

Chief Joseph's July 4th Speech

The items from issues of 80 years ago which appear in the Pendleton East Oregonian are a gold mine for wise-cracking columnists who find in the reporting style of the journalist of a half century ago some nuggets of rare humor. But reprinted last week from the issue of July 5, 1894, is an extract from the speech of Chief Joseph at an Indian Fourth of July celebration which deserves wider printing. Chief Joseph was the Indian who led his Nez Perce warriors in revolt against the whites for robbing them of their rich Indian lands. His campaign across Idaho and into Montana in his effort to reach Canada was one of the ablest movements in military history, according to General O. O. Howard who trailed the Indian band and finally received Chief Joseph's surrender.

The Indian chiefs had a real flair for oratory. Some of their addresses were truly moving in their colorful rhetoric and emotional appeals. This from Chief Joseph, leader of the last great rising of Indians in the northwest, breathes deep sentiment and sincere reconciliation:

The Indian Fourth of July celebration at the agency was a marked success with immense crowds of people attending. The gorgeous trappings of the Indians made a sight to make a "tenderfoot" open wide his eyes with astonishment and admiration. It was estimated that about 500 vehicles went to the agency from Pendleton and other parts of the country, and that 3000 white people attended. Chief Joseph was the most conspicuous among the Indians attending and he had with him a number of his Nez Perce braves and squaws. Bannocks and Snakes were there, also the Umatillas, Cayuses and Walla Wallas. It was late in the day when the parade commenced. During the day Chief Joseph made a speech, saying: "We are brethren. We came from one common ancestor. Our Great Spirit has put us all here, and though once we resisted and took many scalps; though once we sought to steal upon the settler in midnight massacre and drive him from the domain our fathers fought to maintain, yet we bless you. Our warfare aspect means no war. The past is dead and the future will always see us walking side by side with no trace of enmity." Loud applause followed his speech, also a speech given by Chief Peo.

Special Session?

Gov. Snell is said to be giving consideration to a call for a special session to permit speeding up of ballot distribution to soldiers. A special session is most generally avoided wherever possible, and the governor will doubtless seek to avoid one in this instance. However if there is to be any very general participation in the election on the part of soldiers the law should be changed to move forward the closing dates on filing of candidates. The margin is too narrow for printing and delivery of the ballots unless there is perfect timing in all the operations. The governor will have to decide if the need justifies the call.

Those who griped because Ralph Cake has teamed up with Wendell Willkie and asserted Oregon would be out in the cold if someone else won the republican nomination should take note that Cake has been named to the 15-man executive committee of the party. The fact that he had capacity to be chosen as Willkie's manager makes him all the more desirable to the Dewey crowd. The first job of a successful candidate is to heal wounds and that is done by drawing in the opposition.

We hear much about American aces, but new in our news is the name of Wing Commander J. E. (Johnny) Johnson who has shot down 35 enemy planes in the air. This is an amazing record, making him top airman in the European theatre. Lady Luck surely has ridden on his wings.

The war is costing \$2,837 a second. That is a case where a split second is precious.

Editorial Note—Paul Mallon is away on vacation. His column will be resumed on his return about the first of August.

Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON

Imperative necessity of shortening Nazi battle fronts drastically somewhere to meet the triple allied attack from east, south and north was forcing the German high command at the week end toward decisions that must go far to shape the nature of the war in the critical months before winter closes down again in Europe.

The cumulative effect of three-front warfare attrition was sapping enemy reserves in both manpower and material in Italy and France, but most of all in Russia and Poland. It left him small choice but wholesale retreat certainly in the east, probably in the south and possibly in the west to stand siege within the inner ramparts of his tottering continental fortress.

There can be no doubt that if the sweeping Russian breakthrough from White Russia to converge on every key communication junction in Poland and the lower Baltic states from Brest Litovsk to Dvinsk was not aided by a German attempt to fall back slowly to the Bug-Baltic inner defense line from which the attack on Russia was launched, it represents the major Nazi defeat of the war.

The Baltic states and Finland are all but lost now to Germany. In the west her effort to contain the allied invasion bridgehead in Normandy is rising to its crisis. Only commitment of major Nazi strategic reserves to decisive battle in that most remote theatre on the western front conceivably could wall off Gen. Eisenhower's ever growing invasion army. That German commanders in Italy and in the east are desperately pleading for reinforcements also goes without saying. Russian forces were less than 100 miles from Germany's own frontiers in East Prussia at the week end.

That front necessarily must have first call on available reserves. That is bound in influence the trend of events on both, other battle sectors in France and Italy.



The Rebel Yell

Today's Radio Programs

KSLM-MBS-SUNDAY-1300 Kc.
7:30-Sunday Prelude.
8:00-Wesley League.
8:30-Voice of Prophecy.
9:00-Radio Bible Class.
9:30-Lutheran Hour.
10:00-Glen Hardy, News.
10:15-Voice from Southland.
10:30-Hookey Hall.
11:00-American Lutheran Church.
12:00-War Commentary.
12:15-Voice of the Farmer.
12:30-Dr. Floyd Johnson.
1:30-Synthetic.
1:30-Young People's Church.
2:00-Excursions and Science.
2:30-Local Young People.
3:00-Views of Healing.
3:30-Foursquare Church.
4:00-Old Fashioned Revival.
5:00-Mediation Board.
5:45-Gabriel Heatter.
6:00-News.
6:15-Orchestra of Mexico.
6:30-California Melodies.
7:00-News.
7:15-Tommy Tucker Time.
7:30-Gleb Yelina Orchestra.
7:45-Fire Station Church.
8:30-Sky Riders.
9:00-News.
9:30-Weeks.
9:30-News.
10:45-Organ Music.
11:00-Young People's Revival.
11:45-Young People's Church.
11:50-Sign Off.

KOIN-CBS-SUNDAY-550 Kc.
6:00-News of the World.
6:15-E. Power Biggs, Organist.
6:45-New Voices in Song.
7:00-Church of the Air.
7:30-Wings Over Jordan.
8:00-Warren Sweeney, News.
8:35-Blue Jacket's Choir.
8:45-Invitation to Learning.
9:00-Salt Lake Tabernacle.
9:30-Concert Pastelies.
9:45-News.
10:00-Church of the Air.
10:30-Edward Murrow.
10:45-Studio.
11:00-Dangerously Yours.
11:30-World News Today.
11:55-Songs of America.
12:00-Pastor Harmonic Orch. Concert.
1:30-The Pause That Refreshes.
2:00-The Family Hour.
2:45-William Shirer, News.
3:00-Silver Theatre.
3:30-America in the Air.
4:00-Concert Miniatures.
4:30-News.
4:30-Invasion News.
5:00-Walter Pidgeon Show.
5:30-William Winter, News.
5:45-Stars of Today.
5:55-Ned Calmer.
6:00-Radio Readers' Digest.
6:30-Fred Allen.
7:00-Take it or Leave it.
7:30-The Whistler.
8:00-Crime Doctor.
8:25-Song of the Week.
8:30-News.
9:00-I Was There.
9:30-We Work for Wisco.
10:00-Five Star Final.

Monday's Radio Programs

KSLM-MBS-MONDAY-1300 Kc.
6:30-Freedom of Land Forever.
6:45-News.
7:00-News.
7:15-Farm and Home.
7:30-Handy Man.
7:45-Today's Top Trades.
8:00-Dr. Louis Talbot.
8:30-News.
8:30-Orchestra.
9:00-Boake Carter.
9:15-Pastor's Call.
9:30-Midland News.
9:45-The Amazing Jennifer Logan.
10:00-Hardy, News.
10:15-Jack Beaton.
10:30-Luncheon with Lopez.
10:45-American Women's Jury.
11:00-Cedric Belfrage.
11:15-Walt Time.
11:30-Skyline Serenade.
11:45-Kellogg Special Library.
12:00-Organalities.
12:15-News.
12:30-Hillbilly Serenade.
12:45-National Varieties.
1:15-Smoothies.
1:30-Interlude.
1:45-Lum 'n' Abner.
2:00-Music.
2:00-News.
2:30-Broadway Bandwagon.
2:45-Aberdeen Band.
3:15-Radio Tour.
3:30-Concert Hour.
3:45-Johnson Family.
4:00-Fulton Lewis Jr.
4:15-Merry Moods.
4:30-World's Front Page.
4:45-Round Up Reviewers.
5:00-News.
5:15-Superman.
5:30-News.
5:45-Gordon Burke.
6:00-Gabriel Heatter.
6:15-Screen Cast.
6:30-Cote Glee Club.
7:00-War Commentary.
7:15-Lowell Thomas.
7:30-Lone Ranger.
8:00-Orchestra.
8:15-Orchestra.
8:30-Saint Sublime.
9:00-News.
9:15-Cecil Brown.
9:30-Fulton Lewis Jr.
9:45-Music.
10:00-Sherlock Holmes.
10:30-News.
10:45-Harmony Hall.

KOAC-MONDAY-350 Kc.
10:00-News.
10:15-The Homemakers' Hour.
11:00-Southern Singing.
11:15-Music Salon.
11:30-Concert Hall.
12:00-News.
12:15-Noon Farm Hour.
12:30-Birds in the Range.
1:15-Treasury Salute.
2:00-Variety Time.
2:30-Home Economics Extension Specialists.
2:50-Memory Book of Music.
3:00-News.
3:15-Music of the Masters.
4:00-Swing.
4:15-Treasury Songs Today.
4:30-Listen to Leibert.
4:45-The Waltz Lives On.
4:55-Highlights of the Week.
5:00-On the Upbeat.
5:30-Story Time.
6:00-Club Program.
6:15-News.
6:30-Evening Farm Hour.
7:00-El Club Program.
8:00-Starry Skies.
8:15-A to Z in Novelty.
8:30-Music.
9:00-News.
9:45-Evening Meditations.
10:00-Sign Off.

KGW-MONDAY-NBC-620 Kc.
4:00-Dawn Patrol.
4:30-News Parade.
5:00-Music.
7:15-News Headlines & Highlights.
7:30-Revellie Roundup.
7:45-Sam Hayes.
8:00-Stars of Today.
8:15-James Abbe Covers the News.
8:30-Mirth and Madness.
9:00-The Personality Hour.
10:00-Ruth Forbes.
10:15-Lawson McCall, News.
10:30-Aunt Mary.
10:45-Art Baker's Notebook.
11:00-The Guiding Light.
11:15-Today's Children.
11:30-Women in White.
11:45-Hymns of All Churches.
12:00-Women of America.
12:15-Ma Perkins.
12:30-Pepper Young's Family.
12:45-Right to Happiness.
1:00-Backstage Wife.
1:15-Stella Dallas.
1:30-Lorenzo Jones.
1:45-Young Wilder Brown.
2:00-When a Girl Marries.
2:15-We Love and Learn.
2:30-Just Plain Bill.
2:45-Front Page Farrell.
3:00-Road of Life.
3:15-David Harum.
3:30-B. Boynton.

KOIN-CBS-MONDAY-550 Kc.
6:00-Northwest Farm Reporter.
6:30-Texas Rangers.
7:00-KOIN Clock.
7:15-Headline News.
7:30-Bill Hayward, News.
7:45-Nelson Pring.
8:00-Consumer News.
8:15-Valiant Lady.
8:30-Light of the World.
8:45-Ann Jenay.
9:00-Kate Smith Speaks.
9:15-Big Sister.
9:30-Romance of Helen Trent.
9:45-Org Gal Sunday.
10:00-Life Can Be Beautiful.
10:15-Mr. Peckinpah.
10:30-Bernadine Flynn.
10:45-The Goldbergs.
11:00-Furtis Fickett Life.
11:15-Joyce Jordan.
11:30-Young Doctor Malone.
11:45-Perry Mason.
12:00-News.
12:15-Neighbors.
12:30-Bright Horizons.
12:45-Schooler's Children.
1:00-Broadway Matinee.
1:15-Dorothy.
1:30-Mary Martin.
1:45-Afternoon Melodies.
2:00-This Changing World.
2:15-Newspaper of the Air.
2:30-Wilderness Road.
2:45-News.
3:00-Lyn Murray.
3:15-Stars of Today.
3:30-The World Today.
3:45-News of the News.
4:00-Lady of the Press.
4:15-News.
4:30-Colonel.
4:45-Organ Interlude.
5:00-Galen Drake.
5:15-Harry Flannery, News.
5:30-News.
5:45-Bill Henry.
6:00-Radio Theatre.
6:15-Screen Guild Players.
6:30-Thinks of the Yanks.
6:45-Love A Mystery.
7:00-Dale Line.
7:15-Gay Nineteen.
7:30-Adventures of Bill Larc.
7:45-Yox Pop.
8:00-Tony Finn.
8:15-Warlike Women.

The Safety Valve

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Legislation is sought whereby every citizen, having resided in Oregon for five or more consecutive years, shall on attaining the age of 60 years be entitled to a retirement annuity provided he or she will abstain from gainful occupation.

The present system of old age assistance is worse than a dose and recipients, to a very large extent are treated like paupers, which is not the design of the law.

It is admitted that there are those among the indigent who are there because of their own mental attitude and there are those, who in their advancing years, have been bilked of their life's savings by the very interests your column "It Seems To Me" urges to wake up and put on a real campaign to defeat the purpose of the proposed constitutional amendment.

The argument is advanced that an income tax of three per cent will either put business "out of business" or it will be necessary to pass this three per cent tax on to the consumer. It would be really interesting to have the writer of "It Seems To Me" column elucidate this conclusion in relation to the retirement funds in relation to the power companies, the railroad companies, the telephone companies, the school, firemen, police, et al.

We can expend billions of dollars to prosecute a war of destruction which in its turn has placed labor in a wage earning bracket enjoyed by no other nation in the world. It has similarly

enabled American industry to liquidate its indebtedness, amass unparalleled profits and set aside better than fifty billions of dollars to rehabilitate their plants to a peace time footing. And as a state, we are so prosperous we allow these interests that are urged "to wake up and organize" to have their income tax related seventy-five per cent and yet the insignificant three per cent tax you claim will put "business out of business". Hardly a logical argument.

Cordially,
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(Editor's Note - Comparisons between the income tax and a gross income tax are dangerous. The measure being voted on would require a gross income tax of from 3 to 5 per cent on the total income of all businesses and individuals. A tax on net income is based on the net after deduction for expenses, etc. A gross income tax is essentially inequitable because it is not a true index of ability to pay.

The correspondent ignores the social security plan of the federal government which is designed to succeed the present plan of old age assistance. The former needs to be extended to include groups now omitted.

As to existing pension plans in industry the corporations have assumed them after careful computation of the cost, which usually runs less than five per cent of the payroll—not of the gross income.)

grew obstreperous and toss some furniture around. But such episodes are rare, very rare; and most unusual is it for anything to happen to the pleasure-bent audience. At Hartford, however, the "impossible" happened, and the circus going full swing to the delight of thousands suddenly was turned into the grimmest of tragedies, into a small-scale Dante's inferno. Fire swept the tent-top, racing along on the wings of light, precipitating mass panic among the multitude. The death toll is over 150, largely in circus history, and many of the lost were children for whose delight the circus is traditionally planned.

There will be an investigation, perhaps some arrests, perhaps some punishment. But for years and years, despite probable swift changes in laws to require that tent - tops be fireproof, something of the carefree gaiety will be gone from the circus. Spectators will glance apprehensively toward the tent top; they will look to locate exits; mother will be nervous over children gone to the circus with grandpa.

Like the sinking of the steamer Eastland with its crowd of excursionists, or the burning of the Trigois theatre in Chicago, the memory will stay vivid in the minds of the people, and even more of a haunting nightmare in the minds of those to whom the circus is a career.

Good will come out of the loss, to be sure, with greater protection to the circus-going public. The unfortunate thing is that it seems to take a holocaust of such proportions to acquaint us with the hazards.

As with former great disasters the incident illustrates how narrow the margin is between pleasure and pain, between comedy and tragedy; in the space of seconds the antics of the clowns were forgotten in the mob's frenzy to escape the flaming canvas. But life is like that.

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