

Sanitation on Oregon Coast Is Scrutinized

Sanitation needs occasioned by the increasing population along the Oregon coast from Seaside to the California line were stressed in a report of the Oregon post-war development and readjustment commission, filed with Gov. Earl Snell Saturday.

Action by the property owners and state board of health with relation to improving sanitation conditions along the coast highway, with particular reference to the installation of sewage disposal projects, were emphasized.

The report also mentioned the many new cottages, resorts, motels, cabins, restaurants, filling stations, dance halls and taverns. Most of these places are now served by septic tanks which do not measure up to the requirements of the recreation areas, the report continued.

The commission suggested the creation of sanitation districts for which there is now authority on the statute books. The report indicated that by this method the sewage problem could be controlled in each community along the coast.

Before creating such districts, the report advised, engineers specializing in this character of activity should be engaged and the system of collection and disposal worked out in a manner meeting with the approval of the state health board.

Particular mention was made in the report of the heavy tourist travel on the Oregon coast highway during a number of years preceding the current world war. Officials predicted that this travel would increase materially with the close of the present conflict.

Nazi Positions Said Strongest Since D-Day

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SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, July 15—(AP)—Allied delay in launching a big offensive to break out of the Normandy beachhead threatens to put the Germans into the strongest defensive positions they have held since D-day, in the opinion of many British and American observers of the French campaign.

Despite the capture of Caen, the fact remains that Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's forces on the eastern wing of the bridgehead today—40 days since the invasion began—hold less territory than they did six days after D-day when they reached Villers-Bocage.

Early in the invasion, allied air forces had roads and bridges leading to the beachhead so badly damaged that Field Marshal Erwin Rommel could gather only pieces of divisions to plug the gaps.

He has been outnumbered on the front since the first day of invasion, but because of bad weather and the fact that air attack cannot completely halt the flow of troops and supplies, Rommel has been able to increase his forces steadily.

The allies have not yet launched a coordinated large-scale attack all along the beachhead. When the Americans were taking Cherbourg, the British were on the defensive around Caen. When the British and Canadians took Caen, the Americans were busy regrouping after Cherbourg and were engaged in only limited activity.

Free Methodists Form New Salem Districts

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15—(AP)—The Free Methodist church of Oregon set up two new districts of Salem and Rogue River today and named the Rev. J. R. Stewart of Salem to head them as superintendent.

The Rev. D. L. Fenwick, who has been in charge of the entire conference area, was appointed superintendent of the Portland district.

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing



EVENS VALLEY—Earl Prickett, seaman second class, son of Mrs. Guy Sanders, is being transferred to Seattle from Treasure Island where he has been stationed for some time. Prickett is in the radio division.

ME. ANGEL—E. Sgt. and Mrs. William Burger left Wednesday for San Diego, after a six day furlough spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Burger. Sgt. Burger is with the US marine corps.

Other service men visiting at Mt. Angel are: Claud Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Smith, who has just finished boot training at Farragut and is spending a 15-day leave here; and Pfc. Donald Dutach, home on a 10-day furlough. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dutach.

BOOTS MILLS—Opt. A. C. Bieleberg arrived Friday to spend his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bieleberg. He has been stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky.

ALBANY—It is first Lieutenant now for E. D. Roberts, formerly of Albany, according to word received by Mrs. Roberts. Out of his class six men were chosen for promotion, and Lt. Roberts was one of the fortunate men. He has been in the army since April, 1941, and since May 1943, has been stationed in Panama. Before joining the armed forces Lt. Roberts was employed here by the Nissen Motor Co.

ALBANY—Sgt. Sam Binkman left this week for New Orleans, La., where he will enter the army transportation corps candidate school. Sgt. Binkman is a graduate of Albany high, and the University of Oregon. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Binkman of Albany.

ALBANY—St. Sgt. Duane Reck with the 33d chemical warfare battalion, US army, is in Linn county on a 30-day sick leave from McCann General hospital at Walla Walla, Wash., and is spending the time in Seaside with his wife and small son and his mother, Mrs. Mabel Reck of Tennessee community. St. Sgt. Reck, who was employed at the Veal Chair factory in Albany before his induction February 19, 1942, has taken part in six major campaigns. These include the Sicilian invasion, Sicilian conquest, Italian campaign, battle of Venofra, battle of Copugno, and the battle of the Anzio beachhead. He was twice wounded, the first time during the battle of Venofra, December 8, 1943, when he received a bullet wound in one leg, and the second time at Anzio when he was hit by a bomb fragment. Sgt. Reck has been awarded the good conduct ribbon, European, African and middle eastern combat ribbons with six bronze stars, and the purple heart with oak leaf clusters.

Pfc. Reinald A. Eshleman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Eshleman, 569 North Liberty street, has been graduated from the marine corps infantry tactics school at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif. He now is ready for assignment to a combat infantry battalion.

Sgt. Maurice R. Wodzewoda, US marine corps, son of Frank Wodzewoda of route 6, Box 277, Salem, has been graduated from the infantry school at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif., and is now ready to join a combat unit.

A former student at Sacred Heart academy, Platoon Sgt. Wodzewoda managed his own farm near Salem before entering the corps in 1933.

SILVERTON—Second Lt. James Busch of the army engineers incurred second degree burns while on duty in New Guinea and has been hospitalized, according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Busch. Lt. Busch was well known in Silvertown high school and Oregon State college athletics.

Methodists Urge Freedom Of Loyal Japs

SALT LAKE CITY, July 15—(AP)—Representatives of Methodist churches in ten western states, Hawaii and Alaska asserted today that "democratic justice will be best served by granting freedom of movement to loyal Japanese anywhere in the United States, on the same basis as other Americans and aliens of other countries."

"This would include," said a resolution adopted by the Methodists' western jurisdictional conference, "the right to return to the Pacific coast."

"We urge our people to exemplify the way of Christ by welcoming to our communities, our schools, our churches and our homes, these victims of organized discrimination and wartime hysteria."

In other resolutions the conference urged provision of "full-time employment for the largest possible number of people at living wages and under humane working conditions," advocated "cooperation of churches with every community agency which seeks rehabilitation of returning servicemen" and suggested a peace plan "secured by placing the welfare of humanity as a whole above the advantages of any national or racial group."

Court Upholds Esquire Ban

WASHINGTON, July 15—(AP)—A federal judge ruled today that Postmaster General Walker was justified in ordering Esquire magazine's second-class mailing privileges revoked and cited the famous old McGuffey's readers in support of his opinion.

Judge T. W. Davidson, assigned to the case from the Dallas, Tex., bench, did not pass on Walker's original contention that the magazine contained obscenity, but simply held that the cabinet official did not act in an arbitrary or capricious manner when he reclassified it for mailing purposes.

Davidson said he understood the opinion would be appealed. He declared the decision likely would affect a number of other publications which he termed "imitators" of Esquire.

If the ruling stands, Esquire's publishers will have to pay about \$500,000 more postage annually to send the magazine as third or fourth class matter. The decision would not bar it from the mail, but would result in the loss of the cheaper periodical postage rate.

Amity Sewing Club Has Thursday Meeting

AMITY—The East Side Sewing club met Thursday with Mrs. E. M. Johnson. After a short business meeting the afternoon was spent in sewing. Owing to the cherry and berry harvest now in full operation in the community, the attendance was not as large as usual. Miss Alice Beeler, a WAC stationed in Texas, who is spending a furlough with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Beeler, was a guest at the meeting.

U of O Term to Start

EUGENE, Ore., July 15—(AP)—Registration for the second session of the University of Oregon summer school will begin Wednesday. Classes will begin Thursday.

Lost on Sub



Chester Malcolm Moffitt, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Moffitt, Tillamook, formerly of Salem, went down with the S-38 when that 20-year-old veteran of the US submarine fleet was lost in training exercises.

Pvt. Clifford Donald Genser, who was home recently on a 12-day furlough from Fort McClellan, Ala., has reported for duty in Maryland. His brother, T/S Richard (Gassy) Genser has been in action during the past four months of the Burma drive and at last report was resting in a hospital. He left the states in December, 1942.

Clifford and Richard are sons of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Genser. Both are former Statesman carriers.

Probe of Seabee Treatment Starts

SAN FRANCISCO, July 15—(AP)—Investigation of alleged mistreatment of returning Seabee navy veterans at Camp Parks near Livermore started today.

The Camp Parks board of investigators, ordered by Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, consists of Capt. J. A. Beckwith, executive officer of the Shoemaker center; Capt. J. F. Miller, senior medical officer and Lt. C. S. Graham, serving as recorder of the probe.

The investigation was ordered by Secretary Forrestal following charges made by Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative representative of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, that returning veterans have been denied furloughs and leaves, in some cases have been returned to foreign duty without a chance to visit home.

Silvertown Legion Picnic Monday Night

SILVERTOWN—The American Legion post, commanded by Clifton Dickerson and the unit, headed by Mrs. F. M. Powell, will hold their annual picnic Monday night at the city park. The picnic supper has been set for 8:30, with Mrs. Gladwyn Hamre as chairman of arrangements.

Hip Fracture Case Is Much Improved

EVENS VALLEY—Mrs. Conrad Johnson, who fractured her hip a year ago and was confined to the hospital for many weeks, is now able to be around with the aid of crutches but has not yet fully regained the use of her leg. She is at her home in Evens Valley.

Sinatra Aids Troubled Pair

PASADENA, Calif., July 15—(AP)—A letter from Crooner Frank Sinatra with a word of encouragement—bolstered by an enclosed \$100 check—was received today by J. T. Ross, 20-year-old honorably discharged sailor, and his bride, Rosemary, 22.

The note was one of many letters of encouragement that came as a happy ending to a troublesome week for the newlyweds. Ross, who holds a presidential citation for participation in 10 Pacific battles, was married last Saturday but on Thursday he and his bride were arrested on a shoplifting charge.

They pleaded guilty to the charge of taking \$25.50 worth of women's clothing from two stores, explaining that they were without funds and Mrs. Ross wanted something decent to wear for a new job she had obtained.

Police Judge Harry M. Hunt suspended a 30-day jail sentence, saying he believed the young hus-

Sorry! Baking Still Necessary

WASHINGTON, July 15—(AP)—Their flour has been enriched. A Washington milling company advertises, but not to the point where things made out of it do not need to be put in the oven.

The company said in a local ad today: "In our advertisement of enriched flour in yesterday's (Friday) news, the paragraph about self-rising flour for biscuits, waffles, shortcakes, etc., finished with the sentence—no baking required."

"Of course this should have read no baking powder required."

Japs Lose 300 Craft in Month

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, New Guinea, Sunday, July 18—(AP)—Japan's desperate effort to supply and reinforce its beleaguered southwest Pacific garrisons cost her more than 300 craft, ranging from barges to seagoing ships, within the period of a month up to July 15.

The toll was exacted by a blockade of air and naval forces. On a 1000 mile front stretching from Timor and Halmahera to the Solomons, vigilant allied forces sent large quantities of supplies and large numbers of men to the bottom of the Pacific.

A compilation of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communique from June 15 to July 15 showed more than 100 barges and more than 30 supply ships sunk, 125 barges and nearly 40 ships destroyed or damaged. The general made no attempt to assess the cost to the enemy in supplies and men, but it was great.

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