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The Navy "Surrenders"

The navy has finally surrendered. It took a world war to do it; but finally the high navy command has had to recognize naval aviation. Hitherto all the top spots went to officers

of the line whose experience and whose interest lay with the fleet. The battleship was the "ark of the covenant" with the navy. All else was auxiliary: submarine, destroyer, air force. Even recently the promotions to highest ranks failed to give much recognition to officers whose speclalty was naval aviation.

Now Secretary Forrestal announces a thorough reorganization in which naval air officers will be given high places in the naval operations staff as well as command over major fleets. In conformity with this declaration it was announced that Adm. John H. Towers, an air officer, would become commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, where most of the navy is now assembled, when Adm. Raymond A. Spruance is relieved. Vice Adm. Marc A. Mitscher, the famous "gnome" of the naval air force, will he given command of the eighth fleet in the Atlantic. Other key positions are asigned to aviation officers.

Perhaps of even greater significance is the recognition given the airplane carrier. It apparently is moved into top place among the surface craft of the navy. Forrestal calls it the "cutting edge" of the present navy, but he says it must be backed up by the full complement of a well-balanced fleet.

This qualification is correct The carrier is a vulnerable target. It is the mother hen for flying pigeons. Its broad flat top exposes it to enemy attack. It cannot have the fire power of the battleship. It is more susceptible to fires. The carrier itself would be quite helpless against any strong enemy formation. It needs other craft for protection. Battleships and cruisers also proved their worth in shelling shore positions to clear the way for ground invasions.

The navy is thus admitting the lessons of the last war which were not fully learned until Jap torpedo planes sank the British battleships Repulse and Prince of Wales. It will need to do more than this, however, if it is to be fully prepared for another great war. It must anticipate the type of weapons that may be employed and be ready to use them effectively and defend itself against them.

Barracks for Housing

At long last the surplus property administrator is showing interest in the idea of using government barracks and buildings strung all over the country for housing purposes. He is said to be considering a plan to turn such surplus buildings over to states for use for housing, with preference to veterans.

That might provide good temporary relief which is most urgently needed. In Salem the idea has been broached many times to utilize the barracks that were constructed at the airport and used only a short time. The idea never received approval by government author-Ities. Perhaps action may be had if the new proposal goes through.

The plan ought to be broadened to let other government units than states handle the housing. In Oregon for instance there is no body with authority to spend any money or handle such business. A city could quickly enact the necessary enabling ordinance. The need is for a plan which is both simple and flexible. Otherwise the barracks will tumble down and the veterans grow bald-headed with waiting.

Ideology?

Could there have been some other motive than eagerness to help our soldiers overseas which prompted Harry Bridges to order a 24hour suspension of work on the waterfront? Might not his desire be to speed up evacuation of China by Americans so they could not be used in assisting the Chinese nationalists to recover control of north China and Manchuria? The American left-wing has been quite considerate of the Chinese communists, and sympathy with them might have been a factor in the Bridges decision. The tie-up did not a thing to accelerate troop movement, cost the workers a day's wages and delayed essential

Editorial Comment

REMEBER THE WOODSHED?

A professor, talking recently to a group of para, deplored the fact that architects have overlijoked the importance of the woodshed in their house designs. Of course, the professor was looking for a laugh-and he got it.

The woodshed was more than a storehouse for the winter's supply of firewood. It was the place r putting things you were going to throw away or had planned to take to the barn when you had the time. Of course, you never did either. That's why the old lantern still hung on the side of the wall, nicely coated with cobwebs, and why a pair of sleigh bells dangled from an overhead beam, and bits of leather, wire, tin, and lumber roosted here and there. The fellow with the woodshed always had what he wanted when he needed it!

The woodshed had its unforgettable odor. Its earthy floor, seasoned with chips of pine and ole and the dry bark of oak and beech, gave off a rich, nostril-tingling aroma. While some took ride in long, neat rows of wood, more often the ood sprawled over the floor in an arc around the

omer or winter, the woodshed was a haven om sudden storms. It was the place you knocked mud or snow from your boots before entering house. It was the place you hung your overalls

fishing tackle. oblem is, we suppose, to adapt the woodd and its purposes to the age of apartments city dwellings. And we aren't thinking solely

Let Them Rub Shoulders

If the suggestion of Rep. Karl Mundt is adopted-that the United Nations build their so-called peace palace in a remote mountainous area deep underground-we can see little hope whatever for a lasting tranquility.

The entire premise of the UNO is that peace should and can be maintained. The organization as such would seem to be doomed from the start if it lowers that premise to the level of individual nations which hope for peace but keep prepared for war.

It seems doubtful, even, that there should be a peace palace at all, except as a building for the protection of records and as a meeting place for the heads of nations. Delegates themselves, working toward the maintenance of peace, can't learn how the other half lives, can't learn to understand the phobias aeccentricities, principles, objectives of the component parts of a heterogeneous world, by living in an isolated cavern

Why shouldn't the capital of world peace be rotated? Each major country would have no difficulty providing quarters. Why shouldn't delegates rub shoulders with the common man of all nations, their secretariates mingle with John Q. Public of Russia, England, China, France and other powers, as well as the United

True, the eyes of the world would be on a permanent peace capital. But it's a lot more important that peace delegates generally know and recognize the hopes and fears and aspiration of the world which looks to them.

Party Labels

The announcement of Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, jr., that candidates for the congressional vacancy who get the endorsement of their party organization will be permitted to have the party designation attached to their names on the ballot makes sense. Since the original direct primary law specifically endorsed the principle of party nominations, changing only the method of making them, it seemed incongruous to deny the party label to the candidate named by a political party.

Interpreting The Day's News

By James D. White Associated Press Staff Writer

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5 .- (AP)-Maj. Gen. Patrick J. Hurley, recently resigned ambassador to China, today made some charges against two foreign service men which will startle a good many people who are in the mood.

Their defense against these charges remain to be heard, and proof one way or another remains to be seen after all the evidence is in and has been shaken down.

In the meantime Gen. Hurley qualified his earlier statement that American policy in Asia was "defeated" by such career diplomats

as he named, and today told the senate foreign relations committee that the policy was defeated only "to an extent." This modification of his stand followed the statement of American foreign policy in China made

yesterday by Secretary of State Byrnes. Gen. Hurley found it satisfactory enough that he said today he wouldn't have resigned as he did had it been issued earlier. Reaffirmation of Policy

The Byrnes statement in general was a reaffirmation of the traditional American policy of promoting a strong, unified democratic China in the interests of Asiatic and world peace. But coming as it does just now, when opposing Chinese factions threaten a civil war that easily could involve American forces on the spot, the statement assumes great importance and may be open to two vitally different interpretations.

These are: 1. That it means unqualified support for the central Chinese government at Chungking, headed by Generalissimo Chlang Kai-shek, 2. That it does contemplate strong support for the national government, but that such support will by no GRIN AND BEAR IT means be unqualified.

A close examination of the Byrnes statement tends to bear out the latter interpretation.

Byrnes carefully says that "we deem it desirable and essential that China solve her internal problems." Perhaps the key word there is "essential." Perhaps not.

He goes on: "While we recognize that this is task which China must carry out largely through her own efforts, we seek by all appropriate and practicable means to pursue such policies and action as will best facilitate China's achievement of internal unity and stability."

The question here is: What means are going to be found "appropriate and practicable?" Strings on Loans?

He continues: "Among the means toward this end, we propose, with due regard for the realities of the internal situation in China, to assist China to rehabilitate her devastated economy and to develop a higher standard of living for her masses." The question here is, are the large American loans necessary for China's economic recovery going to be conditioned upon the "realities of the internal situation in China."

There are other important qualifying phrases and clauses in the Byrnes statement. Meanwhile the American 7th fleet which once started to ferry nationalist troops to Manchuria is being reduced 80 per cent in strength and 85 per cent in personnel. According to Gen. Wedmeyer, China is being sold no fighter planes, only transports.

Top American commanders in China are meeting in Tokyo today, presumably for a conference with General MacArthur. It may be expected that they will receive detailed instructions regarding implementation of the American policy, which is generally regarded as strengthened by the recent



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Two Gun Pat

The Literary Guidepost By Bill Glover

GUMBO YA-YA, compiled by Lyle Saxon, Edward Rreyer and Robert Tallant (Houghton, Mifflin; \$5). Historically, graphically and proportionally, the folklore of the Louisiana bayous and New Orleans has been explored with probably greater thoroughness than that of any other part of of this land. To the company of the Hearns, Cables and Baudiers must now be added the Louisiana Writers Project of the al-

most-forgotten WPA. Material for this strange gumbo in which all elements of the populace have their say was collected by members of the varied groups or those long associated with them. This is no outsider's hasty survey but a native dis-

here: Longfellow's Evangeline the Baby Dolls of Perdido Street; the fragile beauty of Creole society and the lustiness of Irish Channel: Mardi gras and shrimp fishermen; loup garous, gris-gris, charms, midnight hants and noonday hunts, in truth, a strange, occasionally tedious but fascinating study of legend, half-truth and truth, the sacred and the profane.

A collection of photographs and drawings, grouped and placed to highlight appropriate portions of the text, is a welcome addition to the volume's contribution as part of the rapidly growing shelf of local histories. The book ends with a fillip of three appendices in which the superstitions, colloquialisms and customs of the ethnic groups are neatly catalogued for those who like to amaze their friends with riddles, potions, magical cures, or the Cajun of "ca grimace," the Gumbo of "lever un lapin" or the Creole of "ca m'enquiquine!"

TREASURY OF HORSE STORIES, selected by Margaret Cabell Seif (Barnes; \$3.75).

Here's a better anthology than most, and one with a point. There is verse and prose, ranging from the Bible to a most stirring story by Jessamyn West, and there are illustrations in

Among the writers are Swift, Chesterton, Hawthorne, Pirandello, Shakespeare, Kipling, Browning, Longfellow, Frost, Dickens, Thackeray, Crane, Bojer, and others, for more than 450 interesting pages.



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over the president's radio address endorsing higher wages with no breach in price ceilings. Now labor turned savagely on him for trying to break the industrial log-jam that threatens to tie up large segments of industry. He was "cleared with Hillman" in '44; he failed to clear with Murray in '45.

The glow of military victories in the summer has changed to the night of disorder in the winter. Not even the prestige of the title of the president of the All the colorful citizenry are United States is sufficient to tentious forces. In the tumult of the times Truman's voice is thin, little heeded even by his former companions in the congress.

President Truman must feel deep frustration as he surveys the scene from his White House desk. The plan of Potsdam in which he had a part is working ill. The conference of foreign ministers at London ended in deadlock. China is a deep political morass and Pat Hurley's blast makes the going there more difficult. Byrnes proposal about withdrawal from Iran draws Up as Interest only a negative from Russia. Appeals based on the freedoms Appeals based on the freedoms Phrased in the Atlantic charter Rates Down which come from the independence movements of Java and Indo-China are embarrassing.

On the domestic front reconversion drags because of wageprice disputes. The tax measure promising elimination of the excess profit tax discourages immediate production. A house committee waters down the "full employment" bill which the senate previously had diluted. The special unemployment compensation measure lies dormant in the house. The old suspicions of left and right haunt the president over every appointment, every recommendation. Caught in the backwash of the war, Truman is finding the force of the current far greater than he reckoned on. He may easily become as helpless as Herbert Hoover who tried to buffet the tides of a world-wide depres-

By Lichty



Conn Enters Campaign for Congressman

Capt. Imrie Conn, agricultural State and veteran of the 41st di- ords. vision now on terminal leave, to-

An assembly of registered voters to nominate him was called for 8 p.m. Monday, December 10, at the Lake Grove school.

Captain Conn, after being graduated from OSC in 1939, was associate supervisor of the Farm Security administration, was making farm loans in Marion and Polk counties. He later joined the J. I. Case farm machinery company and in 1941 represented the soften the stubbornness of concompany in Washington, Columgon and the western half of

Upon being called to active serwith the first shipment of the cific Coast Turkey Exhibit asso-41st division, serving in the field ciation. This will be the closing artillery. He is married and has event of the three-day turkey route 1, box 246, Allen road, Lake Grove.

Farm Loans

cent since the interest rate was toms: 1 C. O. Ensley, Tigard; 2,

praised value.

Reduction of the interest rate by the land board was made necessary, according to Griffith, so the state could compete with private concerns, particularly large insurance companies, loaning on farm properties. Griffith said his appraisers are now at work in all parts of the state. In addition to appraising prop-

erties involved in state land board loans, these appraisers also fix the value on all homes and farms for which loans are sought by veterans under the veterans' aid act of the 1945 legislature.

Pleas Heard In Meter Case

city from entering into a contract 1922. providing such meters.

argued the question of continu- Catholic church. ance until trial time of a preliminary injunction issued by Judge

insufficient and wanted the court to provide for a larger one. The matter was taken under advise-

SUGAR SUPPLY ASSUMED WASHINGTON, Dec. 5-(AP)-The first quarter of 1946 "to maintain retary W. A. rationing at present levels." terday.

Public Records

Olds: Plaintiff files counter-arridavit to defendant's counter-suit.
Gladys Iona Cripps vs Oscar Wallace Cripps: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment asks that plaintiff be awarded household furniture and a rimp sum of \$500 plus \$50 per rionth alimony. Married May \$, 1936, at Golden City. Colo.

Erwin L. Frye vs Mable Frye: Order of default against defendant filed.

Eugene J. Hertel vs Lucy E. Hertel: Order of default against defendant filed.

filed.

Joseph D. Roberts vs Ada Roberts:
Decree of divorce awards plaintiff custody of one minor child. Plaintiff to
pay \$25 per month for care of de-

Louis M. Houser vs Wilbur D. Hous-

Former Air Corps Men to Teach in CAP

Several veterans returning from the services are joining the Civil Air Patrol as instructors in their respective fields, Carl Lindstrom, c club adviser, announced Wednes-

Three phases of instruction will flying practice at the sirport, (take-off and landings) and (3) communications.

F. R. Gahlsdorf, with 1½ years

Rosa Lee Lawrence: Anticle of Anticle of Section 1 and Lawrence: Decree of divorce awards plaintiff custody of two minor children, a total of \$62 per month support money while defendant is in military service and then a total of \$50 per month after defendant is discharged from military service. include: (1) plane structure, (2)

of practical experience on engines, will be engine instructor. He will be assisted by Bob Bowes. Both men are specialists.

Another veteran, H. R. Saabye, former CAP member, is re-entering as an instructor in plane structure.

Ray Moore, assisted by Edwin Yeager, is carrying on instruction in communications. Considerable time is spent on code pracengineer graduate from Oregon tice with army phonograph rec-

Civil Air Patrol meetings are day formally entered the race to held every Thursday evening succeed the late Rep. James W. from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the high school shop building. Persons interested in aviation are invited to

Dr. Harry Dillin To Address **Bird Exhibitors**

By Lillie L. Madsen Farm Editor, The Statesman

Dr. Harry Dillin, president of Linfield college, will be the speaker at the turkey banquet arrangvice, Captain Conn went overseas ed for Thursday night by the Patwo children. The Conn home is show now in process at McMinnville. Master of ceremonies will be Mark Bowen of Portland. Tickets for the banquet were going rapidly Wednesday and a record crowd was expected by W. D. Bleitz, show chairman.

The picking contest arranged for Thursday at 11 a.m. is also expected to draw a large number of spectators.

Judging results Wednesday were: Adult bronze hens, 1 and 2, Applications for farm loans Arnett's Turkey farm, Shedd; from the state land board have 3, W. F. Payne, Corvallis; 4, C. O. increased approximately 100 per Ensley, Tigard. Adult bronze lowered from 5 to 4 per cent on Arnett's Turkey farm: 3, W. F. tary, announced here Wednesday. 2, R. R. Borovicka, Scie 3, Gath Loans are based on not to ex- Bros., Turner; 4, Loren ohnson. ceed 50 per cent of the 1940 ap- Scappoose; 5, J. J. Oester, War-

Vannie Shores Dies at Scio

SCIO, Dec. 3.-(Special)-Vannie J. Shores, 72, died Monday night at his home in Scio. He suffered a light stroke on the previous Monday followed by another Saturday. Services will be held Friday morning, December 7, at St. Bernards Catholic church. The mass will be celebrated by Father Ethelbert Mai. Interment will be at the Franklin Butte cemetery. Shores was born at Crown Point,

Ind., on February 6, 1873, and came to Oregon early in life. Later, he moved to Iowa where he mar-Circuit Court Judge Duncan ried Kate Huffman. Two daughheard arguments Wednesday in the ters were born to this union; Mrs. injunction suit which seeks to in- Fannie Fencl, Protivin, Ia., and validate Salem's new parking met- Addie Shores who is dead as is er ordinance and to prevent the her mother, who died June 1.

In October, 1923, he married City Attorney Lawrence N. Mrs. Mary Ira in Iowa where they Brown and Chris Kowitz, attor- lived until moving to North Daney for H. E. Morris, plaintiff in kota and then to Scio in 1934. the injunction suit against the city, He was a lifelong member of the

He is survived by his widow; a step daughter, Mrs. Lillian Wesely, Scio; four stepsons, Clarence City Attorney Brown voiced ob- Ira, Portland; and Edward, Joseph jection to the continuance of the and Leonard Ira, all of Lisbon, preliminary injunction. He also in- N. D.; four grandchildren and diated the \$100 bond which had eight great grandchildren. One been filed with the plaintiff and brother, John Shore of Portland, Edwin Shreder as sureties on the and a sister, Mrs. Emma Fenci, preliminary restraining order was Cresco, Ia. A brother Frank died several years ago in Scio.

LILY GROWERS TO MEET

COTTAGE GROVE, Dec. 5 -(P) Growers from California, Washington, and Oregon have been inagriculture department announced vited to the annual meet of the yesterday it had allocated suffi- Pacific Easter Lily Growers' ascient sugar for civilians for the sociation Dec. 11 at Coos Bay, Sec-

derson: Decree of divorce awards plaintiff custody of one minor child and \$30 per month support money.

James R. Williams vs Ethel J. Williams: Decree of divorce to plaintiff. Hilds E. Smith vs Mary S. Wolford and Louis Wolford and others: Plaintiff alleges ownership of real property in Silverton and asks for court order establishing same.

Elsie N. Undetwood vs James S. Underwood: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment asks for custody of one minor child, \$50 per month support money, possession of household furiture and judgment of \$800 to be paid in several payments.

Verda Mae Moore vs Ruben Gordon Moore: In amended complaint plaintiff files suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment and asks custody of four minor children. Married Nov. 6, 1937, at Granger, Wash.

Shirley E. Thompson vs Vernon A. Thompson: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment asks custody of one minor child, \$100 per month support money and asks that a certain deed of conveyance be reformed to its former condition to include plaintiff's name.

Luiu L. Paul vs Kavier H. Paul: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment asks that plaintiff be re-

for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment asks that plaintiff be re-stored maiden name of Lulu L. Don-ner. Married May 17, 1923 at Minnebe presented in the future. These Rosa Lee Lawrence vs Harold James

PROBATE COURT

Harley Ellenwood, guardianship es-tate: Tenth annual report of Portland Trust and Savings bank, guardian, approved.

Albert Chapman, estate: Final account of George W. Hubbs, administrator, approved and estate declared

R. L. Young, estate: Estate appraised R. I. Young, estate: Estate appraised at \$16,822.46.

Patricia Lou and Shirley Ann Miller, guardianship estate: Report of sale of real property in Monitor by Elizabeth Miller Dawson, guardian, filed.

Henry Elmer King, estate: W. L. King and Edward King appointed administrators and George H. Riches, John Gehrke and Margaret R. Lewelling appointed appraisers.

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David Depew Mero, estate: Return of sale of real property by Nellie Mero, administratrix, filed.

Gloyd P. Chapman, estate: Estate appraised at \$9960.09.

James Wallace Knapp, guardianship estate: Report of Gardner Knapp, guardian, approved.

Edna White, guardianship estate: Order authorizing C. F. Patton, guardian, to rent a house at 531 High St. for \$40 per month.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

APPLICATIONS Eugene Thomas, 18, sawmill worker, and Gertrude Alice Davidson, 16, both Sheridan. Kenheth D. Hilfiker, 26, furnace man, Salem and Maxine Underhill, 24 stenographer, Albany.
John Robert Finden, U. S. navy,
Salem and Frances Anne Friesen, secretary, 1479 Elm st., West Salem.

Salem Federal Savings and Loan Adds to Drive

Salem Federal Savings and Loan association has purchased \$235,000 in treasury certificates for the Victory Loan, it is announced by Keith Powell, presi-

The purchase is made under the corporations division in the drive and to date is the largest of this type reported for the Victory Loan. Salem Federal Savings and Loan association consistently has been one of the larger purchasers during all bond drives.

BILL AUMAN TREATED

Six year old Bill Auman, 825 Breys st., received treatment Wedborrowings of \$2500 or more, Payne. Bronze pens, 1, Mr. and nesday at the first aid station for Lewis Griffith, land board secre- Mrs. Lester Schneider, Newberg; a large splinter lodged under his

HUGHES ARE PARENTS Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hughes of 1540 Norway st. announce the birth of a boy at Salem General

hospital December 5.

JEFFERSON COUPLE PARENTS Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Keesecker of Jefferson announce the birth of a boy at Salem General hospital December 5.

