By Joe Wing

The man was James Cook, son

of a peasant, who became a cap-tain, no less, in the Royal Navy,

and the world's most expert navi-

Strong, silent, intellectual as

well as practical, Cook seems

sort of a non-combatant, real life Captain Hornblower. Both sailors and natives loved him.

That's not surprising, because he worked his men only eight in-

Author Vandercook has the

he died at the hands of natives

long since been American. But

naval tradition would scarcely

have been the same without him

THE BASE-STEALER, by M. G.

finds him a spot on a baseball

team which turns into the city

champion . . . and no bribes passed, either. The lively story will remind the youth of the country that New York has play-

grounds as well as hot pavements

and crowded streets.

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gator and map maker.

Scholarships -

Donald Gragg, Monroe; Nancy Leonard, Grants Pass; JoAnne Toikka, Astoria; Sharon Griswold, Newport; Victor Fennell and Robert Glass, Eugene; Jean Hegerlson, stead of 16 hours a day, and Queen Anne high, Seattle; Jay Helm, Yakima; Willis Ludlow, Nampa, Idaho; and Edna Geer, neglected to flog them. And he merely peppered natives with harmless birdshot, instead of plastering them with buckshot, Buhl, Idaho. and then only in cases of dire Five music scholarships were

awarded. They include Rosemary Weaver, Grants Pass; Dorthea Church, West Linn; and Eleanor happy faculty of knowing just de Harpport, Lincoln high, Porthow his hero felt and thought and what his incidental actions land. were at given moments two cen-The Elmer O. Berg scholarship,

turies ago. That and mastery of Cook voyaged three times to the Pacific, mapped the eastern shore of Australia, proved New Zealand is insular, and discovered islands. presented annually to an incomi

## Final Pre-Camp which was his stamping ground, is French now and Hawaii, where Drill Scheduled

Final session of special drila prior to summer camp is scheduled this week end by Salem's national guard companies B and G.

drill Saturday afternoon at the armory and will spend all day This is for the youngsters, and about them. Harry, moving to Sunday at Camp Adair for range New York City with his family, firing of infantry weapons. is homesick for the old hometown until the Police Athletic League

Saturday for Camp Adair for a night problem, overnight bivouse and range firing Sunday.

pendicular to the plane of the earth's orbit around the sun there would be no change in seasons.

#### ed islands by the hatful. Tahiti, **By Guard Units** who generally welcomed him, has the British Empire and British

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Company G will leave at 2 p.m.

If the earth's axis were per-

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#### Swings in Politics

The Pendleton East Oregonian inquires:

"What in the world has happened in the state of Wisconsin, the home of the able and liberal LaFollettes? Where were such political accidents as Wiley and McCarthy spawned. Surely not in the LaFollette school. They have the Huey Long markings, But that's a far cry from Wisconsin. Perhaps the citizens of Wisconsin will answer at the next election."

The E O is wrong in putting Wiley and Mc-Carthy in the same package. Wiley is a much superior man, an able attorney who generally has had a broader outlook on world affairs.

It does seem surprising that a state like Wisconsin would turn out Bob LaFollette the second in favor of a man like McCarthy, Likewise it is strange that Nebraska which sent George Norris to the senate for years would swing to the other extreme and send Wherry and Butler. The explanation is not to be found so much in a change of sentiment as in personalities and in a slight swing in voting from one side to the other. The LaFollette dynasty had pretty well run its course in Wisconsin. When Bob left the sinking ship of the progressive party to rejoin the republicans he had few on hand to welcome him. George Norris was aged and hadn't kept

up his personal contacts in Nebraska. There is another factor, and that is that there always was in Wisconsin a hard core of conservatism. The party regulars were bitter against LaFollettes and LaFollettes liberalism. Liberalism sets up one pole of attraction, but soon another and opposite pole appears. We have that in Oregon, as was demonstrated in the republican primaries last year. Wayne Morse had a strong following, but the unknown Dave Hoover drew an amazingly large vote almost exclusively an anti-Morse vote. For years Oregon has sort of paired its senators, one liberal, the other conservative-McNary and Steiwer, and now Morse

and Cordon. In Wisconsin and in Nebraska the regulars, toughened by years of defeat, finally captured control when the liberals grew old or complacant. We doubt if they can be ousted from control readily, for the span of power is apt to run longer than the one they have enjoyed. The general trend now is away from "progressivism" and on the LaFollette-Norris model.

#### **Dollar Steamship Case**

The Statesman is in receipt of a letter from Ralph K. Davies, industrialist of San Francisco chairman of a minority stockholders' group in American President Lines (former Dollar lines), in adverse comment on an editorial in this paper on April 17th respecting the attitude of government officials toward court decisions in the R. Stanley Dollar action to recover stock in the steamship company. Davies states:

"We believe that the government is acting in an eminently proper manner to protect the interest of the taxpayers. There is ample legal precedent in several supreme court decisions which is guiding the government's action in this

Our editorial position was taken on the basis of "state decisis," that the case had been decided, by refusal of the supreme court to intervene and reverse the decision of lower courts awarding the stock to Dollar, which seemed in fact contemptuous of the courts. Since then of course the chief justice has acted to delay a stay of the order of the lower court to permit further adjudication of the points at issue.

The facts are that the Dollar Steamship company was heavily indebted to the government and in 1938 Dollar transferred his stock to the government. Along came the war and profits in

the shipping business zoomed and now it is a prosperous operating company. When in 1945 the government proposed to rid itself of steamship operation by offering the stock for sale Dollar and associates claimed it on the ground the stock was given only as a pledge and since the indebtedness had been wiped out they should get the stock back.

The legal question is simply whether the stock was given as pledge or whether it was transferred outright. The District of Columbia court holds the former and has been quite wrathy at resistance of Secretary Sawyer and other officials to their order to return the stock.

The public is in no position to judge this matter. That is what we have courts for. This paper has no desire for any improper enrichment of Dollar and his associates, nor for any loss to taxpayers. But it does repeat that government officials should respect decisions of the courts. Let the matter proceed to a lawful determination. That is all we ask for.

#### As Canneries Resume

Resumption of operations at Salem's food canning and packing plants will quickly be noted in the acceleration of business. This is a major line of industry in Salem, one that turns loose thousands of dollars weekly through the season for products of farms and orchards, for labor and supplies. While fruit crops are "spotted" this year the total is expected to average up well with former years. Prices are good, wages are high. The flow of cash will be a real trade stimulant.

With employment at peak levels Oregon's business seems to rest on quite solid foundation this year. The state employment service reports that non-farm employment this month passed 450,000, a mark which was barely reached in June last year and in July of 1948. Industrial wages are at higher levels than ever before so purchasing power of the population remains

Construction work has not fallen off as much as was anticipated after government controls were applied and public work will continue heavy in this area. The business outlook therefore seems to be good for the rest of 1951.

Senator Karl Mundt has been plugging for a coalition of republicans and southern democrats. This coalition often works together in congress particularly to kill off fair deal legislation, but t will not be hitched as a single party for the indefinite future. To southern democrats republicans are still "black" and "damned Yankees." And a good many republicans balk at the conservatism of southern democrats. Mundt needn't hurry with a license because the wedding isn't going to take place anyway soon.

Rains came to help put out fires, particularly the one burning in the clearing along the Breitenbush. A great deal of clearing is under way in the Santiam country in connection with public works such as the power line from Detroit to Maupin. This makes vigilance doubly necessary for the sun gets in and dries out the brush, making it tinder for the rapid spread of fire.

Oil and politics long have had affinity for each other. Something new in Iran is the mixing of oil and religion. Demonstrating Iranians threaten a "holy war" if necessary to nationalize the country's oil industry.

Schools get a break in the tax bill the house ways and means committee is working on. The excise on footballs would be wiped out, also the admissions tax to school events.

(Continued from page 1)

later he became manager of the Metropolitan Opera. "The Desert Song" was a light opera per-formed there. Other road shows and some famous actors and actresses played the Elsinore.

Like other dreams Guthrie's dream of Elsinore as a show house was not fully realized. The 'legit." theatre was crowded out by motion pictures and sound pictures which were introduced in 1927. The change was con-firmed with the leasing of the theatre by Fox West Coast Theatres and later by Warner Bros. Theatres, but under both managements it remained a first-run

theatre for the best in pictures. And the building itself stands as a dignified, beautiful theatre, and still serves Salem with good entertainment. It is gratifying that Mr. Guthrie can be here tonight to relive the night of the theatre's opening and to receive the sincere compliments of Salem for the contribution he has made, through the Elsinore, to the pleasure, the entertainment and the culture of the people of this

### **Better English**

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "The disturbance ended in the man being jailed."

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Consumable, con-

ness" mean? 5. What is a word beginning

 Say, "The disturbance ended when the man was jailed." 2. Pronounce se-ram-iks, e as in see unstressed, a as in am, accent second syllable. 3. Consummate.

As a part of the treatment, it is also important that other related disorders, such as bowel disturbances and infection, receive the proper care. The patient's diet should be carefully regulated, kept well balanced, and free from highly-seasoned or other irritating foods. Any emotional disturbances should be corrected when possible.

Your Health

together with convulsions in se-

vere cases. There is, however, another form of this disease

which is less easily recognized.

Here the attack seems to con-

fine itself to the intestinal tract

alone, and the condition is

therefore known as abdominal

epilepsy. Pain may occur alone

or may be accompanied by

vomiting, sickness at the stom-

ach, diarrhea, pallor, sweating,

In order to make a definite

diagnosis of this condition, it is

important that a tracing of the

brain waves, known as an elec-

troencephalogram be made,

since abnormal brain waves of

of epilepsy would indicate that

the intestinal symptoms are

due to a form of epileptic dis-

turbance in addition, nervous

system or neurologic tests and

X-ray examinations are impor-

tant. Since, in many of these

cases, there may be actual brain

injury from tumors and inflam-

mation, studies of the brain by

specialized X-ray examinations

In treating the disorder, such drugs as "Dilantin Sodium" and

"Mesantoin," as well as the quiet-

ing drugs, such as the barbiturates and bromides, are all help-

ful. If the administration of the

first dose of these drugs relieves

the symptoms, it aids in con-

and nightmares.

type seen in t

are also important.

firming the diagnosis.

In the usual epilectic attack dry skin, and what causes super-there is loss of consciousness, fluous hair on the face?

Answer: The character of the

skin varies in different individ-

uals. In some persons, the skin is dry, while in others it is

moist, which seems to depend

somewhat on the amount of se-

cretion from the fat glands in the

skin. Disturbances in the glands

of internal secretion, such as lack

of thyroid secretion, may be con-

tributing causes. However, in

these instances, symptoms, such as dryness and thickness of the

hair, lack of energy, and excessive gain in weight will be noted.

In cases where the skin is na-

turally dry, there does not seem

to be much that can be done

outside of applying a bland oint-

The cause of superflouous hair

is not known. It might be due to

glandular disturbance. (Copyright, 1951, King Features)

HOLLYWOOD — Back of the funny faces that Eddie Bracken

makes for the movies lurks a

jockey.

Eddie calls his product "Picture Platters." A 16-mm. silent

film projects a three-minute story whose action fits the lyrics

"Take Bing singing 'Among My Souvenirs'," Eddie suggest-

bench. She opens up her hand-bag and takes out a photo show-ing her and her boy friend kiss-

The souvenirs she examines

progress to a sad ending: a wed-

ding ring, a draft notice, and  $\varepsilon$  "we regret" telegram from Uncle

Sam. But there are comedy films to tunes like "Here Comes Cookie" and "Yes, Sir, That's

My Baby."

Eddie Bracken Productions have completed 32 of the little films and have a total of 260 scheduled, Eddie reported. The

company occupies a one-sound

stage studio and plans to build

that too many people say, 'An actor isn't a business man.' That made me mad." There's nothing

to stop other people from tura-ing out the same product, Eddie admitted. But he thinks he has

admitted. But he thinks he has the jump on the field.

"If this thing is as successful as it looks like it's going to be, I'll never put grease paint on my face the rest of my life."

I asked Bracken if he was tired of acting. "Yeah, I think so," he said. "This is a rough business. There are things about it that I love. But I don't like contracts, for example. If you don't like a picture, you're told you're going to do it any way. This to me is Hitler."

Eddie's enthusiastic about his role in "Two Tickets to Broadway," though. Little wonder. He's playing the stage manager of Gloria De Haven, Janet Leigh, Ann Miller, and Barbara Lawrence. He plans to return to the real Broadway in September in a comedy drama called "Mike McCauley." It will play the Pacific coast first, and Eddie will open a television office in each city. His TV business here, while he's gone, will run itself.

thing," Bracken confessed,

"I think why I went into this

one with three stages.

"You see a girl on a park

Hollywood

On Parade

skin once a day.

brain. He has a

television idea which, he bold-

ly predicts, will

make him "eas-

ily" a million

dollars. It

sounds like the

next logical

step for that

radio phenome-

of the song.

ing under a tree."

the disc

QUE TIONS AND ANSWERS N. A.: What can be done for

### Quote for the Day

Make the most of today. Translate your good intentions into actual deeds. Know that you can do what ought to be done by you.-Grenville Kleiser.

2. What is the correct pronuncitation of "ceramics"?

sumate, consumptive, contemporary.
4. What does the word "wari-

with ve that means "ardent;

Care to foresee and guard against evil; cautiousness. "We must exercise great wariness to avoid certain evils." 5. Vehement.

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"I do hope we never have germ warfare . . . Otis gets such dreadful hayfever from just a little pollen in the air . . . "

## British Faced With Grim Choice in Iranian Oil Dispute: Strong Actions or Oil Losses

By Joseph Alsop

LONDON, May 24 - As these words are written, the betting appears to be about even that the

British will move troops to south Persia. At any rate, they are just about up against the grim choice between taking all the heavy risks of this step, or taking the consequence of outright expropriation of their Irpian oil re- Joseph Alsop

Jurces. Furthermore, the British cannot easily move troops without a minimum of American moral support-at least enough to see them through a charge of aggression before the United Nations. The future of the Western alliance, which America leads, also hangs upon the outcome in Persia. Hence this British choice is, at the same time, inescapably an American choice.

Until now, even the hardier nly been talking about moving troops to "protect the lives of British nationals" in Persia. Now, wever, the veils are dropping. It is almost certain that Sir Oliver Franks has already been instructed to talk with Secretary of State Dean G. Acheson about the more realistic problem of protecting the foundations of the British economy and the strategic balance in the Middle East.

Events over the week end forced this facing of facts, from which London has hitherto shrunk away almost as nervously as Washing-ton. On Saturday, the British Ambassador at Teheran, Sir Francis Shepherd, rather desper-ately suggested to the Shah that he might form a more rational

government. But it was too late for this expedient. On Sunday while the prime minister, Dr. Mossadegh, crouched in his barricaded room, his representative, Hussein Makki, told the Persian parliament that the existing government would never negotiate

the oil dispute with the British. A miracle may of course rescue the British and American policy makers from the dilemma on whose horns they have been wriggling like befuddled tadpoles. But since little short of a miracle can prevent the grim choice from being made this week, it is now wise to examine its real nature.

No one in his senses can find

much that is attractive about the first laternative-a movement of British troops to south Persia. Britain does not really have enough airborne forces for the job. Even to secure control of the minimum territory, Abadan island with its vital refinery, will be a dirty business, probably involving heavy losses of life on both sides. Such a crass imperialist act will make, to say the least, bad impression elsewhere in the Middle and Far East.

It may touch off a Russian invasion of north Persia. It will quite probably give the Communist Tudeh party the desired chance to seize power at Teheran. It will perhaps result in a far more disagreeable repetition of the Korean pattern on Persia soil. It may, just conceivably, lead to a world war. The list of objections

But as usual, the choice now is not between bad and good, but between evil and more evil. If American influence or indifference deters the British government from protecting their oil re-source, the following consequen-ces will be almost unavoidable.

First, the British economy, which depends exclusively upon Middle Eastern oil, will receive a fatal blow. The huge American investment in maintaining the British as a great power ally will be transformed into money down the drain. What has previously been done for Britain will be forgotten because America has not stood by her ally in this hour of need; and the Anglo-American partnership, the core of Western strength, will dissolve in a tempest of mutual recrimination.

Second, the economics of Western Europe and India will also be disrupted. And a cessation of the oil flow from Abadan will make it fantastically costly, and in wartime almost prohibitively difficult, to supply the fleets in the Mediterranean and the vital strategic airbases there.

Third, Persian success in expropriating British oil will set an example that will quickly be imitated in Egypt, in Iraq, and in every other nation in a remotely similar situation. There will be no conrolling the chain reaction. Furthermore, the strain imposed on these weak governments by biting off so much more than they can chew, will equally inevitably produce secondary political re-sults of great violence. Dr. Moss-adegh and his followers think they are keeping one jump ahead of the Tudeh party by their hand-ling of the oil issue. But it is even more likely that the Tudeh will be the ultimate beneficiary if Dr. plans, than if he is frustrated by

forcible measures. The price of a policy of inac-tion, in short, is a gigantic change in the world balance of power, altering the while Middle East-ern pattern, shaking the Vestern alliance to its foundations, and perhaps destroying it. This is no Mexican oil squabble. This is the terrible game of power politics, being played for the greate