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BREAK DOWN THE BARRIERS

If the governor of North Pennsylvania should erect an electrically-charged barbed wire fence around his state to prevent citizens of other states from doing business with his people, the resulting sound and fury would rock the nation from the Maine woods to Hollywood's swimming pools.

The idea of free commerce between the states ranks almost with our other basic rights, yet there is hardly more free commerce between some of the states than between the United States and Germany. Obviously such local legal barriers hinder the all-out war drive.

Take local building codes. Strict compliance with those regulations has forced Washington to build war plants in comparatively undesirable locations. That means a waste of time and wasted time means wasted American lives on the battle fronts.

Take truck legislation, of which there are 45 varieties. As a result, manufacturers cannot build a heavy duty truck which could be operated legally in all the states. That means the free transport of goods, including war materials, cannot be achieved from some states to others. It would be just as sensible to put water hazards and high jumps on the highways, and make it a real steeplechase.

Take eggs, butter and other dairy products. We are urged to consume more of these commodities so we will be able to put that extra push on the assembly line, in the corn field, in the stores and mills. Donald M. Nelson says that push is necessary. Yet dozens of states dislike the eggs and dairy products of other states so much that a code of regulation and restriction snarls up free commerce in these vital foods. As a result, prices jump, an artificial scarcity appears and workers who need these products most find it more difficult to get them.

Dozens of other state "they-shall-not-pass" road signs clutter up the legal highways. Some of them, such as inspection of grains and animals for disease, may be justified. Most of them bog down the victory drive and should be eliminated.

Do the special interests behind these trade shackles imagine for one minute that Hitler permits Munich to prevent trucks carrying shells from Essen to pass through without paying tribute? Do they think the local officials of Tokyo can pile special restrictions on rice from Japan's farming areas?

Whether the people, the federal government or the states and municipalities will strike down these barriers remains to be seen. State and local rights are one thing. The right of a nation of 130,000,000 to fight and work as one unit for the preservation of all is another—which cannot be denied.

ROBIN HOOD RIDES AGAIN

While we ring the rafters, and rightly so, with praise for General MacArthur, the Kellys, O'Hares and other heroes, there fights in the hills and mountains of Yugoslavia a little band which is keeping an estimated 400,000 axis soldiers up nights. The Robin Hood army of Gen. Draja Mihajlovitch reportedly has killed at least 50,000 German and Italian soldiers since that Balkan nation was "overwhelmed."

This guerrilla Battle of the Balkans might be almost as important as any now in progress, since the more axis troops sent to keep the wild Serbs from a general uprising, the fewer men Hitler can send to the Russian front. Besides, the Yugoslavs are setting a fine fighting example for the other occupied countries—and for America. Such fighters undoubtedly will sit closer to the head of the peace conference table than some nations which took it lying down.

CHILE FINDS OUT ABOUT WAR

Chile and Argentina, apparently preferring appeasement to solidarity, refused to join their sister American Republics at the Rio de Janeiro conference in a firm front against the axis. Chile, at least, is finding her claim of neutrality doesn't mean much to the Great Man with the little mustache.

The Chilean freighter Tolten was torpedoed and sunk by an axis submarine and 27 Chilean sailors were lost. A surprising number of citizens of that sprawling country thought that as long as they did not provoke the axis, nothing would happen to them. They, like Norway, Holland, Belgium and others, now know that the Nazi pledge is as crooked as the swastika.

SALUTE TO LABOR

A sincere salute from America to the C. I. O. and the A. F. of L. for offering to give up holiday and Sunday double pay for the duration. That was the patriotic thing to do, the

kind of action that wins wars.

Now let's have some comparable concessions from those who have been loudly criticizing "double pay."

The easiest way to increase the number of law violators is to increase the number of laws.

Any way you look at it, the outcome of it all is the income.

Too many can openers are can't openers.

A woman isn't necessarily a business woman just because she's interested in everybody's business.

Some folks make enemies by singing for their friends.

A small compliment swells the same kind of a head.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

WHY THE LONG DELAY?

(Salem Capital Journal)
 As a belated Easter greeting to the nation, the navy announces the sinking of three warships over a month ago in battle by the Japs, with the loss of 700 officers and men. The destroyer Peary was bombed in port at Darwin February 19; the aircraft tender Langley and the naval tanker Pecos were sunk under heavy air bombardment south of Japan en route to Australia between February 27 and March 1.

Official reports from Tokyo at the time claimed the sinking of these vessels, but as the Langley had three times before been reported sunk, the report was given scant attention as our government refused confirmation. The vessels were all old ones, but given no air protection.

Such disasters are to be expected, especially in the initial stages of the war, but why wait until the survivors arrived in San Francisco five weeks later? Why not announce such sinkings when they happen as the British did the loss of its great battleships off Malaya after Pearl Harbor?

Such suppression of vital news is not conducive to building morale or creating public confidence in the government. The American people can take the bad news along with the good, and are entitled to it. The best morale building results from telling the full facts at the time and not trying to conceal them by reporting partial truths, and letting the whole truth out in delayed installments. Such a course arouses suspicion.

The administration seems to forget that it takes a jolt to arouse Anglo-Saxons. The British did not awake until Dunkerque and the bombing of Britain unified action. Pearl Harbor jolted American complacency but had the full truth been told at the time, we would not have had the relapse into complacency. Let the army and navy follow General MacArthur's advice of telling the whole truth as speedily as possible and banish distrust.

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13—FIRST of the new plywood training planes has been delivered at the Washington navy yard for experimentation, operation and, finally, to be ripped apart. Army and navy have been slow in adopting wood in planes, although in the first world war the British purchased millions of feet of spruce for fighting planes and have, in the present war, been taking cargoes of spruce from British Columbia, Washington and Oregon forests supplemented by Douglas fir. In addition to the British, Italy and Russia are using wooden combat planes.

Plywood (thin slices of wood peeled from a log and glued together) is at its best in the northwest. The industry has forged to the front in recent years and the best technicians in the business are on the payrolls of the scores of factories in the forest areas. They have made discoveries, such as the best method of treating the plywood with glue; they have invented a glue that can stand anything; the method of pressing the sheets together. Despite the "know how" of using plywood, the procurement offices have not considered awarding a contract to build wooden airplanes to any of these mills. The source of the raw material is ignored.

Procurement does such queer things. Eighteen million tent pegs were needed for the army. Tent pegs are of wood, nothing else. Did procurement make inquiry where the stakes could be purchased in the lumber markets of the northwest? It did not. The order was given to an "intermediary" in a large eastern city. "Intermediaries" are individuals or firms which have nothing, only a determination to grab a contract and make a commission. The intermediary shopped around and finally placed the order. Army wanted some wooden chairs and tables. Large manufacturing companies specializing in chairs and others in tables could not submit bids, for each carried a single line. Instead of breaking the order into two items, army gave the contract to an "intermediary" and the latter bought the chairs from one plant, tables from another—which the army could have done.

SOME day the story will be released how a well known vessel on the west coast sailed out of a Pacific port into the south Pacific with supplies for General MacArthur in the Philippines. The story, of course, is the manner in which this ship ran the Japanese blockade successfully and discharged much needed material. Incidentally, the blockade runner was almost to the islands while people in the United States were asking why no relief was being sent to the boys in the foxholes of Bataan.

DEPARTMENT of agriculture will be given control of fats, oils, directing production and supply and allocation. If the department does a good job of this other commodities will be turned over to it. Farmers are increasing the fat supply now by raising more hogs. There is a falldown, however, with peanut oil: the acreage planted is scarcely more than that of 1941. In war production board there are 38 dollar-a-year men who are maneuvering to obtain control of foodstuffs. Insiders predict that eventually there will be a food administration with an administrator, but the administrator will not be Herbert Hoover, despite his experience in world war No. 1.

POLITICAL Note—Wendell Willkie has been trying to oust Representative Joe Martin as Republican national chairman. Willkie was trying to organize his forces to the committee to displace Martin with Ralph C. Rusk, Republican national committeeman for Oregon, who is serving his first term as a member of the committee and who didn't make too good a job of his own state in the presidential campaign of 1940. This purging by Willkie flopped and Martin will continue to serve as national chairman until 1944. Mr. Willkie is not too strong with the Republican leaders and, in fact, stands better with the White House than with the party.

ONE of the deep dark secrets of the national capital is that underground efforts are being made to send the forest service to the far west. Most of the operation of the forest service are in the Pacific northwest, just as the grazing division has its field of work in the west and has been sent to Colorado. If the scheme is successful the forest service will be sent to some city, not in California. The ship would make no difference to the rangers but would cause consternation in headquarters where the "liberals" wish to remain in the capital. Timber owners have no trouble with the wild men, as they know their business, but there is a growing dissatisfaction with top officials who direct the policy from the department of agriculture.

Rainbow Mothers Plan Tea

By MARIAN LOWRY
 MEMBERS of the Rainbow Mothers club are giving a silver tea on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. A. Beltr, 1893 Alder street, Mrs. Jack Taylor assisting.

Hours will be from three until five o'clock. The tea is for all Rainbow mothers and members of the order.

MONDAY EVENTS
 Willamette court, Order of the Amaranth is meeting for a covered dish dinner and initiation Monday evening.

Zeta Tau Alpha Mothers club is meeting Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Carl Toll.

FOR TUESDAY
 An event for Tuesday evening will be the waffle supper to be served by All Saints guild at St. Mary's Episcopal church parish hall. Hours will be from five-thirty until seven o'clock. Games will follow the supper.

American Legion auxiliary is meeting Tuesday evening at the Moose hall. Winners in the poppy poster contest will be presented with their cash awards, and are asked to be at the meeting.

Alpha Gamma Delta mothers are to meet Tuesday evening at the sorority chapter house.

TO ENTERTAIN CLUB
 Mrs. Milo Hart will be hostess to the Santa Clara Thimble club Wednesday at the home of Mrs. J. I. Hart at two o'clock.

CLERKS MEETING
 The women clerks of the Southern Pacific company will meet Tuesday evening at seven-thirty at the home of Mrs. Roy Humphreys.

HOME PROGRAM
 Nutrition and vitamins were the subjects discussed at the Friday night homemaking program presented for Women of the Moose by Mrs. L. L. Brown. Dr. H. H. Peters spoke. April 17 Mrs. Brown and her committee will hold a nutritional institute and study group at the Moose hall at seven-thirty. There will be talks by local people on preparation of foods for health and victory. Co-workers have been asked to come to the Moose hall on Wednesday afternoons to roll bandages.

F. L. CLUB
 The F. L. club will meet Monday evening at the home of Mrs. F. H. Seal Jr., at eight o'clock.

Today's Recipes

(By NEA Service)
 The schoolgirl wartime cook must know how to turn low-cost meats into appetizing and nutritious dishes. The following recipes have been selected because they are easy to prepare, practical and have both taste and nutrition value.

Oven Stew
 (Serves 4 to 6)
 Three pounds stewing lamb, salt, pepper, 1 bay leaf, 4-8 onions, 4-8 carrots, 4-8 new potatoes.

Cut lamb into one-inch pieces, season with salt and pepper. Sear quickly on top of stove. Cover with water, add bay leaf. Cover and bake 2 hours in slow oven (300 degrees F.).
 Then add onions, cook 1/2 hour, add carrots and potatoes and continue baking till tender about 30 minutes.

Just before serving thicken stock with flour, allowing 1 to 1 1/2 tablespoons flour to 1 cup liquid. Season to taste.

Liver Patties
 (Serves 4 to 6)
 One-half pound beef or pork liver, 1 cup sifted bread crumbs, 1/4 cup milk, 1 teaspoon grated onion, 2/3 teaspoon salt, dash of pepper, 4 slices bacon.

Chop raw liver very fine. Mix with crumbs, milk, onion and seasoning. Shape into patties, wrap with bacon, and bake in a hot oven (450 degrees F.) for 10 minutes, then reduce heat to moderate (325 degrees F.) for 15 minutes longer.

Creamed Chopped Steak
 (Serves 4 to 6)
 One pound chopped beef, 1 tablespoon fat, 2 tablespoons flour, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 cup thin cream or undiluted evaporated milk, 1 small green pepper, chopped, 2 tablespoons chopped pimiento, 2 tablespoons minced onion.

Heat the fat in a frying pan, add the meat and sprinkle the salt and flour over it. Brown the meat lightly, stirring frequently. Add the cream or evaporated milk and blend thoroughly. Add the chopped pepper, pimiento and onion. Cover and cook slowly for 5 to 10 minutes. Serve on crisp buttered toast.

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Calendar

Monday
 6:30 p.m.—Business women's class, First Baptist church, dinner at home of Miss Janet Chase.

6:30 p.m.—Willamette court, Order of the Amaranth, meeting and supper, Masonic temple.

6:30 p.m.—Harmony class, First Baptist church, potluck dinner at church social hall.

6:30 p.m.—S.U.V. auxiliary and camp dinner at I.O.O.F. hall.

7 p.m.—Women of the Moose sewing club, meeting at the home of Mrs. Allie Clarke.

7:15 p.m.—Chapter H of P.E.O. meets at home of Mrs. E. M. Reagan.

7:30 p.m.—U.S.W.V. auxiliary meeting at the armory.

7:30 p.m.—Evening book study group of Women's City club meeting, home of Mrs. Elton Rippel.

7:30 p.m.—Zeta Tau Alpha Mothers meeting, home of Mrs. Carl Toll.

8 p.m.—Dorcas Needle society of Emmaus Lutheran church, meeting with Miss Marian Hansen.

8 p.m.—Philatelic group, meeting with Mrs. E. C. Boehnke.

8 p.m.—The F. L. club meets at home of Mrs. F. H. Seal, Sr.

Tuesday
 12:30 p.m.—First circle meeting of W.S.C.S. Others occur on Tuesday as announced in a story today.

1 p.m.—Central Presbyterian women's union, meeting in the chapel.

2 p.m.—East W.C.T.U. thirty-fifth anniversary tea at the Fairmount Presbyterian church.

2 p.m.—Typographical Union auxiliary meeting, home of Mrs. Willard Spies.

2 p.m.—Division three of Catholic Altar society meeting, home of Mrs. J. H. Koke.

2 p.m.—Mothers of Girl Scouts troop No. 23, meeting at home of Mrs. J. H. Vicary.

2:30 p.m.—First Christian missionary society, meeting at the church.

5:30-7 p.m.—Waffle supper of All Saints guild, St. Mary's Episcopal church parish hall.

6:30 p.m.—R.N.A. potluck dinner at the W.O.W. hall.

7:30 p.m.—U and I bridge club meeting, home of Mrs. Kathryn Walcher.

7:30 p.m.—Alpha Gamma Delta Mothers club meeting, chapter house.

7:30 p.m.—A.A.U. W. evening book group meeting, home of Mrs. Robert C. Hall.

7:30 p.m.—Women Clerks of S. P. meeting at home of Mrs. Roy Humphreys.

8 p.m.—American Legion auxiliary meeting, Moose hall.

8 p.m.—Voice recital of Miss Helen Judy, First Baptist church.

"The Children," by Federova, Autographed first edition, \$2.50, Russell's Regal Library.

Automobile racing may be discontinued in Argentina because of shortage of cars, tires and gasoline, says the Department of Commerce.

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Malcolm Smith Wed In Kansas City

Announcement has come of the marriage of Malcolm S. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Smith of Eugene, to Miss Mildred Bates of Kansas City, Missouri.

The wedding was an event of April 2 at the bride's home in Kansas City.

The couple will make their home in Kansas City, and are leaving for a vacation in Oregon on April 15. Mr. Smith lived here for several years, graduating from Eugene high school.

CONDON P.-T. A. TO MEET TUESDAY
 The Condon school's P.-T. A. is meeting Tuesday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock in the school building.

Mrs. Paul Means is to talk to the group, discussing the Orient. The second grade will give music, and second grade mothers will be hostesses. Mrs. A. Wilfred Welch as chairman.

Election of officers will be held at the business meeting. Members of other P.-T. A. units of the city are being invited to the program.

GRANGE MEETS
 FERGUSON, April 13—(Special)—Long Tom Grange met Wednesday evening with 13 present. It was decided to go back to the regular meeting date.

Election of state officers was held. The charter was draped in memory of Mrs. Arthur Reetz, who died recently. It was decided to give \$2.50 toward prizes in the rodent control contest. All bills were allowed. The lecturer asked several women to discuss vitamins at the next meeting.

AT WENDLING
 WENDLING, April 13—(Special)—Mrs. Mervin Bilderback was guest at a farewell party Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Grover Summer. She is going to Portland to join her husband, who is employed in the shipyards.

Mrs. Grover Summer entertained the Needle club last week at her home. Bridge was played, and those winning prizes were Mrs. Tom Bilderback, Mrs. Keeler and Mrs. Dillon, Mrs. John Downing, Mrs. Sayles, and Mrs. Raines.

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Former Eugenean Married

ANNOUNCEMENTS have been received by Eugene friends of the marriage of Miss Marion Frances Barrett, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Henry Lester Barrett, formerly of Eugene, to Lieutenant Oswald Kennerly Furtick.

The wedding was an event of Sunday, April 5, at Mitchell Field, Long Island, New York.

The Barretts lived in Eugene several years. Colonel Barrett was with the University R. O. T. C. The daughter attended the University and is a member of Delta Gamma sorority.

Edison P.-T. A. Dessert, Wednesday

Edison P.-T. A. is meeting for dessert and a program Wednesday evening at the school building.

The dessert will be served from six-thirty until seven-thirty o'clock, and there also will be a candy table during those hours.

The program will be given seven-thirty o'clock, including numbers by the high school chorus, piano music by Martin Burg, a play "Little Black Sambo," given by the first, second and third grades and motion pictures.

A small admission is being asked, proceeds to go toward Edison's part in purchasing the motion picture projector machine.

Only the main entrance of the school will be open for the Wednesday event. All parents and patrons of the school are invited.

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