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TARGET—ARROGANCE OF BUREAUCRACY

According to our Washington reporters, both Republicans and Democrats—in their pre-congressional caucuses—have decided to take a firm stand against "the arrogance of bureaucracy." Even Speaker Rayburn expressed "unwavering determination to protect and defend the rights and prerogatives and power of the House of Representatives," in his re-election speech.

It is indeed high time for a stand against "the arrogance of bureaucracy," but—it must be high minded and intelligent. There is need for economy and curtailment of many bureaus and alphabets which have little or nothing to contribute to winning the war. There is need to put some control on some of the high-handed methods which have been adopted even in war spending.

Just before Christmas Jesse Jones, in charge of RFC, admitted that he has absolutely no check upon the billions demanded by the president's Economic Warfare Administration. It has been distributing billions without even a question raised.

It would be unfortunate if the effective functioning of Lend-Lease were interrupted by Americans who foot the bills (and expect to get none of this money back) might be dismayed to know that under Lend-Lease shipments are not even to be billed to needy powers "until obsolete or destroyed."

Speaker Rayburn, leading his Democrats, and Joe Martin, in command of the big Republican minority, seem to have sensed the danger of "obstructionism" by their joint pledge that "no partisan politics" shall mar war effort. President Roosevelt, if he is wise, will place equal restraint upon himself and upon his more headstrong "alphabeticals."

For this Congress reflects what millions of Americans feel, regardless of party affiliations, that our management of war effort is pretty reckless and wasteful, and dangerously top-heavy.

People are accepting rationing and many other forms of unfamiliar regulation gladly, but they RESENT remote controls. The fundamental error in most of the administrative bureaus is the failure to give ordinary people credit for a little common sense and honesty and an unwillingness to delegate POWER TO ACT to home controls.

It is interesting to note that our British allies are a bit worried about the explosive situation in Congress. Quotes:

London Daily Mirror: "Will U. S. again become a world hermit?"

London Daily Mail: "Roosevelt's foes today start congress battle to cut down his power."

London Daily Express: "The next sixty days—don't lose faith in America."

London Daily Telegraph: "This U. S. congress will strive to influence policy-bias which will challenge not the war effort but 'new deal' planning."

What our British cousins may not quite understand is that while the American people expect to pay most of the bills for this war and contribute their full share of blood, they also feel that their rights and liberties can and must be conserved. Speaker Rayburn has called this "the Victory Congress." To assure victory the extravagance and arrogance of many of our bureaucrats must be curbed.

GREAT NEGRO—AND GREAT AMERICAN

No man of our times deserves more the respect and admiration of his fellow citizens than Dr. George Washington Carver, the negro scientist, who died yesterday at Tuskegee. He was not only a great representative of the negro race; he was a great American.

A disciple of the late Booker T. Washington he devoted his life to education, but he did as much for the white race as for the black. His researches in the chemistry and physics of agriculture did much to transform the war-wasted economy of the South.

It should make most of us who claim to be "educated people" rather humble to reflect that this man was born a slave, that he obtained the rudiments of education only under the most severe difficulties, and that having achieved fame and a place in the scientific world which might have made him a very rich man, he GAVE to the world whatever he discovered. On the contrary, in 1940 he gave his life savings—some \$33,000 to further research.

There will be those who will see in the life of Dr. George Washington Carver a lesson for those upstarts who "fly in the face of facts" to demand premature social and economic equality for the whole colored race. Indeed Dr. Carver did demonstrate the true dignity of his race. But we see something

more than that, a life which seems to prove that a man is greater than his race.

"A man's a man for 'a' that."
 A black man was among the great Americans of his time. We have need to remember that.

ALCAN HIGHWAY

Crowded onto inside pages by more spectacular happenings was a United Nations achievement so important that details may not be publicized until the war is over.

That was completion and opening of the Alcan Highway, making available a motor road from the United States through Canada to Fairbanks, Alaska.

We and the Japs can guess at the military importance of the road from the fact that in these times of scarce materials, equipment and manpower, it was pushed 1681 miles through one of the world's great wildernesses in seven months and 17 days. There are no submarines lurking under the Alcan Highway.

It would be much nicer if winter came during the cheap season for overcoats.

The best gamble in the world is to take a chance on yourself.

As long as Mussolini rules, the Italian people don't have to worry about a shortage of applause.

Now we're told that horse meat may become common. Which may mean the passing of the old horse laugh.

Ohio police official says crooks may turn to aviation after the war. We don't mind if they pick air pockets.

What the average man likes about a girl is his arms.

They get oil from a shark's liver but never from a shark's oil well.

Modern dances are wonderful exercise—for reformer's jaws.

With haircuts where they are, it almost pays to be a poet.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By JOHN W. KELLY
 WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7. — WITHIN 12 months the armed force of the United States will be twice as large as it is today and by the end of 1945 men of military age and not in uniform will be about 9,000,000. The armed force will be about 9,000,000—soldiers, sailors and marines. More than 4,000,000 additional civilians will be moved into war industries and of these a large proportion will be women. There is still a prospect of women being called to register. Such men of military age as are not in service will be found in essential war work where their knowledge and experience will be of more value to the nation than if they were pulling the trigger of a machine gun.

In the rushing, roaring months of 1943 the cities of the northwest, such as Spokane, Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver, Astoria and Portland—wherever there are war industries—will boom with well paid workers and thousands more will be employed than at present. All of these cities are headed for trouble in getting workers to the job and getting them back home. It will be the most congested year that the northwest has ever experienced.

Housing these workers will continue to be a problem, notwithstanding the thousands of units erected by federal housing organizations. Present dwelling facilities have not been projected on the peak employment contemplated for the new year. Frictions will delay, if not prohibit, an expansion of these facilities.

Owing to the influx of an army of new industrial workers and the rationing of food the feeding of the greatly increased populations of the war work areas will present real difficulty. Meat, reduced to the lowest common denominator, possibly 1.5 pounds per week per adult; butter doled out in half-pounds; milk curtailed except for children and expectant mothers; coffee (mainstay of workmen) reduced to one cup a day; canned goods hard to get. Unable to purchase supplies, hundreds of small groceries and meat shops will fold up. The government will be asked to ship reindeer from Alaska to supplement the small meat supply in Oregon and Washington. Scarcity of leather will require shoes to be bought on the "point" ration system.

There will be no synthetic rubber tires for civilian automobiles in 1943—scarcely sufficient to meet requirements of the military forces and a few favored United Nations. It will be 1944 before production in the synthetic plants reaches the point where some of the civilian needs are supplied. The tire problem will affect war workers (who have had a preferred status) and will handicap the logging industry, a large user of logging trucks. Thousands of motor cars in the northwest will run their last mile in 1943 and the old cars will either be sold for scrap or put on blocks until the time comes when synthetic tires are available. There will be few filling stations remaining open; fewer hamburger stands along the highways.

IN the months ahead the American people will realize keenly that the United States is in a war to the death. They are already being told what they can do, what they must not do, what they can eat, and what they can read in their newspapers. Agents of bureaus in Washington, D. C., are insisting on this and that; what rent can be charged; what prices can be paid; demanding information on food in the kitchen and how much kerosene you have for your lamps, if you do not have electric lights.

The final touch of a sense of war will come with publication of the casualty lists, which heretofore have been released cautiously and in dribbles. The casualties in 1943 will be breath-taking on land, on the sea and in the air. When they are presented in a manner which enables the public to realize the great loss of life the people will know what this global war means to American families. The casualty lists have been handled gently up to now and few people have analyzed them to gain an idea of what the war is actually costing this country.

BENNY COHEN, who was so busy with Thomas G. (Tommy the Cork) Corcoran in writing new deal legislation, has bobbed up again as the legal adviser of Jimmy Byrnes. Ben interprets the executive orders for Byrnes and tells him how far he can go—which is practically the limit. Cohen was busy a few years ago trying to write the Bonneville organic act, until he was flatly informed that the senators could and would write that bill without any assistance from him. It is in the cards that Byrnes will resign from his present job early in the spring; he would like to return to the supreme court then, although there is talk of Samuel (Sammy the Rose) Rosenman, who is the reorganizer for Mr. Roosevelt and the current supervisor of fire-side chats, being urged for the vacancy by Associate Justice Felix Frankfurter.

Choral Club Sets May 3 For Concert

By MARIAN LOWRY
 THE Women's Choral club, which is resuming winter activities, announces its annual spring concert has been dated for May 3. Tryouts for the chorus will be held next Monday evening, January 11, at seven-thirty o'clock at Central Presbyterian church chapel. At the early fall and at the beginning of winter tryouts are held. All those who are singing in choirs or other musical work and interested in joining the Choral club are invited to take in the tryouts, as well as others interested in singing. Regular weekly rehearsals for the winter schedule start January 18 at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening at the Presbyterian chapel.

ZONTA EVENT

At the Eugene Zonta club meeting, Friday noon at McCrady cafe, Ed G. Boehnke is to talk on the Lane county project to furnish forty recreation rooms at Camp Adair. Mrs. Fanny Marlette and Mrs. Eva Collins are in charge of the program. New members will be announced at this meeting. Initiation is to be held at the social meeting late in January.

P-T-A. EVENT

Stella Maglady P-T. A. is to meet Friday afternoon at the school building at two-fifteen o'clock. Mrs. Otto Crumroy is to be in charge of the refreshments.

EASTSIDE CLUB

Eastside Neighborhood club held an interesting meeting Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. T. H. Garrett, the program dealing with the outlook in 1943 for poetry and prose.

Announcement was made that a special program is arranged for the afternoon of February 1, at which time Mrs. W. C. Landru is to show some colored pictures released by the government. The place of meeting is to be announced later. Guests and visitors are to be invited.

Next regular meeting for the club will be January 18 at the home of Mrs. John Jensen, Mrs. Perry Walbridge to give the program on splices. As that will be the national Stephen Foster week, Mrs. Anna Larcom is to present some of his songs for the meeting.

ALL SAINTS GUILD

All Saints guild held its meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. L. Harpham, Mrs. A. C. Bouck assisting. New officers took over, headed by Mrs. Henry A.

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UNDER the slogan, "A Million or More by '44," Girl Scouts have launched a national membership program, which goes forward on the basis of taking the scout program of service and war activities to more girls. The Eugene scouts council is backing the national program.

Eugene Girl Scouts Join In National Membership Drive; Leaders Needed

A campaign to extend the Girl Scout program to take in thousands of girls who want to be Scouts but cannot because of the shortage of leaders and troops has been launched nationally, starting January 1, it is announced by Mrs. George A. Metzger, commissioner of the Eugene Girl Scout council.

It will be carried out under the slogan "A Million or More by '44," the announcement stated. At the present time there are 579,563 girls and 142,087 adults enlisted in Girl Scouting membership; the President of the United States and government officials have urged that the organization bring the Girl Scout code and activities to as many girls as possible; many communities where there is no Scouting have requested the establishment of local units of the organization to serve their girls. As a result of these requests, the Girl Scout national board of directors endorsed the campaign at its semi-annual meeting in New York in November. Plan Outlined

"Because every existing council has its share of responsibility

to expand the Girl Scout program, the Eugene council of Girl Scouts is planning to extend Girl Scout membership to many more girls, by increasing the size of existing troops to take in girls who are on waiting lists; establishing new troops in the Washington school district, along with other districts where there is a need; recruiting new leaders, and giving them training to do their job; presenting good program material so that every troop will be participating in a balanced program of activities; and finally the registration of every girl and adult active in Girl Scouting," Mrs. Metzger said.

"Leaders are our greatest need. Now that so many women are going into war industry or are taking on added responsibilities, it is increasingly difficult to maintain a steady group to give Scouting wartime service to girls. The answer is many new leaders to stabilize the existing Girl Scout organization and help it expand. Here is a volunteer war job open to any woman over eighteen years old—one of such great importance that we, who have been at war

Nutrition Class Starts Jan. 13

A NEW nutrition class under the sponsorship of the Red Cross is to start next week at the Red Cross headquarters. The class will be held Wednesday, starting January 13, hours to be from nine-thirty until eleven-thirty o'clock in the morning.

Mrs. Maurice Buchanan is directing this class.

Those interested are asked to register either with Mrs. W. S. Love or with the Red Cross headquarters.

The nutrition course is prerequisite for the canteen work.

only one year, are just beginning to realize," Mrs. Metzger added.

"War makes children restless and places them under strain. It upsets the normal course of their lives. Children need healthy recreation and comradeship to offset the effects of war. Above all, they must have sound leadership in the war work they are all so eager to do. Girl Scout leadership is as far-reaching a volunteer wartime job as any woman can find. We hope that because our expansion campaign is the result of requests from girls themselves for Girl Scouting, it will bring more and more women to the realization that here is a job that needs and deserves do-

Business Women Plan Activities

The council of the Eugene Business and Professional Women club held its monthly luncheon meeting Wednesday noon at Osburn hotel.

The group discussed at its recommendations asked for the national federation regarding the program and objectives for the new year. The council completed the funds voted Red Cross kits.

Monthly luncheon for the club is announced for January 13 at Seymour cafe.

Rebekah Meeting Held Wednesday

Rebekah lodge held a business meeting Wednesday evening at the I. O. O. F. hall and Dewey McAlpin was elected trustee for the next three years.

Miss Eva Warden was named as assistant. The next meeting will be a joint installation with the Butte lodge at eight o'clock Tuesday evening, January 13, at I. O. O. F. hall.

ing," the commissioner stated.

According to Mrs. Metzger, there are thirty-seven women in Eugene serving as troop leaders and assistant leaders. At ten more leaders are in need to make Scouting available to girls of this community.

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