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PLAYING UP FOR VETERANS' VOTE

While Congress is still trying to make "an honest measure" out of the very defective and phoney (for most states) soldier vote bill which President Roosevelt and his fourth-term strategists wished upon them, up comes "that man" again with another very smart scheme to capture "the soldier vote" (which means that of the soldier and all his relatives and friends). Mr. Roosevelt proposes that beginning now and for at least five years after the war certain whole classes of federal jobs shall be set aside for war veterans. The political joker in this move is that Mr. Roosevelt proposes that he himself shall have sole authority to say what and where such jobs shall be. The determination is not to be left to Congress, or to Civil Service; the president alone will control what jobs shall be earmarked for veterans.

One does not have to be in Washington, D. C. to sense the disturbance which this proposal will make. The question is whether Congress (and especially the Republicans in Congress) will bungle this proposal as badly as they bungled the soldier vote. Of course this "jobs for soldiers" plan does not involve any complex legal and constitutional difficulties as does the soldier vote plan. Of course nearly everybody wants veterans to have job preference just as nearly everybody wants men and women in service to have the right to vote, so the cue for Congress—unless leadership is even dumber than usual—is to grab the idea with a glad shout—but see to it quietly that "jobs for soldiers" are not incorporated into White House patronage. It is entirely possible to earmark certain whole classes of federal jobs for veterans without waiving any of the usual safeguards on physical, mental and moral fitness. Veterans will want their rights but they are also taxpayers and citizens who would not want payrolls loaded with incompetents, even though they might be veterans.

If anybody has had any doubts as to Mr. Roosevelt's fourth term intentions, the evidence by now is very plain that he most certainly intends to perpetuate himself and his regime. Even Mr. Roosevelt's foes must concede he is by far the most astute politician this nation has ever seen and though he has changed ground continually he has seldom been wrong in his shifting. When depression was darkest his play was to the "underfed, underclothed and ill housed"; as labor grew in power he played to labor; today it is the vast "veteran sentiment" which he seeks to mobilize. Maybe Mr. R. has been listening to the same very eminent warrior who "sounded off" one night recently in a Washington club:

"Who's going to run this country when this is over? Is it going to be the New Dealers? The Republicans? The American Legion? The labor unions? Mister, those boys out there have seen a lot of this world and they know what the score is. They're a different breed of cats than this country has ever had before. They're going to houseclean most of these fuddy-duddies and panty-waists you see around here."

Most of us old enough to recall the last war have "heard that sort of thing before." However this war will produce nearly four times the veteran crop; the average age of veterans of this scrap will be much higher than it was last time. The patterns of human behavior do not change much, but any way you take it the veterans of World War II are going to be a power. Mr. Roosevelt proposes to get in on the ground floor. The objective—jobs for veterans—is very good. The specific plan—jobs as political patronage of the regime—is very bad and even dangerous. But Congress needs some leaders who can talk in "words of one syllable". Mr. Roosevelt is a past master at making popular slogans. Congress has a genius for legalistic muddles. This is an election year.

"The secret of long life is hard work," says an Illinois centenarian. And that applies to the life of a country, too. Do your share in the war effort!

Civilians now will get slightly less than one pound of butter per month while men in the service will get almost one-half pound per week. If you prefer the latter, Uncle Sam will be glad to have you join the army.

Since the Japs have ignored all protests against their barbarous conduct, why send any more? We can use the waste paper at home.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By PETER EDSON
Register-Guard Washington Correspondent

HOW CIVILIANS' TIPS AID FBI

The little-known part which patriotic American citizens have played in furnishing tips, clues, and scraps of information to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, enabling the G-men to solve some of the most celebrated spy cases and crimes against the country's war effort, makes one of the more thrilling but least-publicized chapters of the history of the war on the home front.

Since the bombs fell on Pearl Harbor, the FBI has arrested or held for questioning almost 15,000 enemy aliens, and in a large proportion of the cases the original information, leading frequently to internment for the duration of the war, has come from private citizens whose suspicions have been aroused by activities of potential Fifth Columnists.

Perhaps the most famous spy thriller cracked by a tip from a civilian was the famous Duquesne espionage case in which 33 Nazi agents were apprehended and convicted. For some time during the investigation, the FBI sought to identify one "Heinrich" who was furnishing to Lily Stein, a fellow spy, information on U.S. aircraft production.

"Heinrich" Nabbed
It was an observant Connecticut photographer who supplied the missing clue. Noticing that one Edmund C. Heine had placed an unusually large order for photographs, and had asked many questions about the area, the photographer passed on his information to the FBI. With this clue, the G-men clamped down on Heine and were able to identify him as the mysterious Heinrich. His sentence was 18 years plus a fine of \$5000.

Ernest Frederick Lehmitz and Erwin Harry De Spreiter, the two Staten Island spies convicted last summer, were both tipped off to the FBI by civilian reports. Lehmitz came to the United States in March, 1941, aboard the Siboney. On the voyage across, his actions had aroused the suspicions of an alert fellow-traveler. Reporting his suspicions to the FBI, he set in motion a long and painstaking investigation which finally resulted in the apprehension of a Nazi spy who had been trained in Germany in the preparation of secret writing and schooled in the type of information valuable to the German high command.

De Spreiter had the FBI put on his trail by a simple report from a civilian that the man was strongly pro-Nazi in his sympathies, indicating for the first time that he might be engaged in activities inimical to the national security. It was more than a year later, however, before the G-men were able to check his record and gather evidence that led to his conviction. Both Lehmitz and De Spreiter were sentenced to 30 years.

It was a New Yorker's tip that helped clinch the case against Roberto Lanas Vallencilla, a Colombian employed in the offices of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs in Washington. Lanas Vallencilla recently confessed to communication with the Nazis, after his arrest by the FBI. Months before a New Yorker had reported to the FBI that Lanas Vallencilla had asked a woman acquaintance to work "for the cause" and had offered \$450 a month for her services. This one scrap of information was an important contribution to the evidence which the FBI had already accumulated, and it aided materially in his conviction.

Rounding up of the Detroit spy ring of eight principals last fall had its beginning in San Francisco before the war when a German ex-army captain named Gugula Rozinek aroused the suspicions of fellow-employees in a chemical works by his pro-Nazi views. He had proclaimed, "Hitler is not only my Fuehrer, but my God." A loyal American reported the incident to the FBI, and the investigation began.

Rozinek was found to be the husband of a well-known lecturer on Hungarian folklore, Sari de Hajek, whose lecture tours were really a blind for gathering information on America's defense effort. It was Sari de Hajek who recruited Grace Buchanan-Dineen, the Canadian-born woman who was center of the ring, and was trained for her work in Budapest and Berlin.

SOCIETY, WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

By MARIAN LOWRY

JUNIOR CHAMBER AUXILIARY MEETING

The Junior Chamber of Commerce auxiliary announces its regular meeting for Wednesday evening of this week, seven-thirty o'clock, home of Mrs. Hale G. Thompson.

Mrs. Charles Skinner and Mrs. William Peterson will be co-hostesses with Mrs. Thompson for the meeting.

RAINBOW EVENT

Rainbow Order for Girls is to meet in regular session and for initiation on Thursday evening, seven o'clock, downtown Masonic temple.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER DRAWS MANY

The World Day of Prayer, observed by the local Council of Churchwomen, and held at the First Christian church, was well attended throughout the devotional hours of morning and afternoon. Music was provided by the church organist, Nell Murphy Dickson, assisted by Mrs. Phil Nordling. Solos were by William Willet, Miss Evelyn Mills, Miss Enid Smith and Miss Ruby Zastrow.

Spiritual messages offered at different times through the day were given by Mrs. Wilbur Jensen, Mrs. Ella Edmanson, Mrs. J. L. Sawyer, Mrs. Genevieve

TURNPIED AND REV. NORMAN K. TULLY, MRS. A. C. BOUCK PRESIDED.

Mrs. Ecklund joins AIR WACS AS MECHANIC

Firs, air Wacs to enlist from Junction City is Mrs. Mildred Ecklund, who has qualified as an airplane mechanic. Mrs. Ecklund's brother, Ray Rogers, is in training now with the marines at San Diego, and her brother-in-law, Earl Calkins, is a marine in the south Pacific. Mrs. Ecklund plans to leave her daughter, Betty Miller, with her mother, Mrs. B. Rogers, Eugene, during her absence in the air Wacs.

INITIATION HELD

Mrs. Warren Combs was initiated as a new member of the auxiliary to the National Association of Letter Carriers, which met recently with Mrs. Gus Helikson as hostess, and Mrs. Edwin Harris assisting. Mrs. E. Z. Olson, a member at Everett, Wash., was a guest. The next meeting will occur March 31.

EXTRADITION GRANTED

OLYMPIA, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Vernon J. Bennett, held by Seattle authorities on charges of desertion and abandonment of minor children, will be extradited to Oregon at the request of Gov. Snell.

OLIVE BARBER'S OBSERVATIONS

MORE ABOUT SPODE

Some time ago I wrote of my admiration for Spode dinner ware. One could admire, I said, though never possessing.

I was no little embarrassed (and if the truth must out, no less delighted) when several readers of the column sent me pieces of this beautiful china. But I must, I vowed, never again publish any longish I had for the luxuries of life. To do so was to impose on the instinctive generosity of people. In this instance there must have been collusion and collaboration for, though the Spode came from several towns, to the last dish the pattern was the same.

It seems the Spode column stirred Spode desires in several feminine breasts. A number have written that they now own several pieces of it. In telling of her recently acquired treasures one woman writes, "My logger husband read your Spode column and said, 'Just why shouldn't a logger's wife admire and own Spode!'"

"I replied in a self-pitying tone of voice, 'Well I like Spode myself but don't ever expect to own any.' Of course you know what happened—he got me several pieces; so lovely I'm afraid to touch them."

"Now we live in a small log house and every nook and corner is filled with our worldly goods. My problem is what to do with the Spode china. Should I hang the pieces on the wall like pictures, or set them in a row on the piano? And what is the correct behavior when dining from Spode? Should one elevate the little finger when using the cups? And would the cup shatter from shock if one forgot and dunked in it? And what incantations should one say when washing them? You should have some suggestion to offer, Olive, since you got me into this dilemma."

I know just how she feels. Youn' won't, unless you've been bitten by the Spode bug. Most women will understand. Few women but have an almost idolatrous love of good dishes, with Spode taking first place. And it seems to me especially fitting that such loveliness should find a place in more humble homes. There it is more apt to be truly appreciated, the owner not being surfeited with too many other wonderful possessions.

As yet I, too, do not have a fitting place to display my pieces of the china, although a special closet is being planned. I've had it on the piano and was pleased when it gave off a musical little "ting" when certain notes were struck. Just now it's on a dresser upstairs. But each Sunday morning Frank and I have breakfast in state. We dine off Spode. Last Sunday Frank dunked. The blue cup took this in its stride, like the true aristocrat it is.



for him

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KIRK-SHERMAN WEDDING ON SUNDAY

The marriage of Miss Betty Virginia Sherman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sherman, to PFC Harold Lee Kirk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Kirk, was solemnized Sunday afternoon at a pretty wedding held in the Evangelical church, of which both the couple are members. Rev. V. T. Speece performed the double ring service.

Church decorations were red roses and red carnations before a background of green ferns and pussy willows. Red, white, and blue candles were lighted by Jack Sherman and Dick Wright.

Attendants Listed

The bride wore a dress of white net with lace insets, and a fingertip veil of net arranged from a diara of orange blossoms. The bride carried a white Bible with bouquet of pink camellias and white passion flowers.

Miss Maxine Mettauer was maid of honor. She wore blue chiffon, and a corsage of white camellias. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Donald Kendall of Springfield and Miss Harriet Thompson. They wore dresses of peach chiffon and their flowers were corsages of white carnations.

Donald Kendall was best man, and the ushers were Dick Wright, cousin of the bride, Ernie Steele, and Jack Sherman, brother of the bride. Ringbearers were Bobby Huffman and Charlotte Martin.

For the music, Miss Evelyn Ann Hill sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly." Mrs. Speece playing the organ.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

About one hundred and fifty friends and relatives were present for the wedding, including many out-of-town visitors.

An informal reception was held at the home of the bride's parents following the wedding, eighty attending the reception.

Mrs. Speece and Mrs. E. B. Hill assisted.

Both Private and Mrs. Kirk are former University of Oregon students. The bride is a member of Ordes club, of the Women's Athletic association, the YWCA, and the national rifle association on the campus. Private Kirk has been in the service the past year and

a half and is now stationed at Fort MacArthur, San Pedro, Calif., where the couple will make their home.

STUDY STATES

At a time when travel is practically impossible, the members of the social club of the auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans has taken up study of history of the various states, as a means of becoming better acquainted with their country. At a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Frederick K. Davis, Mrs. C. W. Gordon reported on the history of the state of Minnesota, while Mrs. L. J. Hansen gave a brief review of Oregon's history as a territory. Guests for the day were Mrs. C. A. Dalton and Miss Sarah Evans. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Bert E. Rogers, March 24.

WOMEN OF MOOSE ACTIVITIES LISTED

Mrs. J. T. Jaeg and Mrs. F. B. Strawn held honors at bridge, and Mrs. Joe Bartlett and Mrs. W. K. Fogelstrom, at pinocle, at the card party given Monday afternoon by the Women of the Moose.

Sunday morning, a bowling breakfast was held at the Snappy Service cafe, with twelve present. Two teams played, later, Corvallis defeating Eugene.

Saturday morning, twenty members of the Friendship degree, Women of the Moose, attended a joint breakfast session with the Fellowship degree of the Loyal Order of the Moose, at the Del Rey cafe, and in the afternoon a round-table discussion meeting was held in the hall, as features of the mid-winter convale.

Mrs. Roy Fornbrook had charge of the chapter night program, at the recent meeting of the lodge, when 15 candidates were initiated. Eighty members and numerous guests were present. Among the honor guests were Mrs. Irene Gee, associate regent of the college of regents, Corvallis chapter; Mrs. Rosa Woods, associate regent of the college of regents, Eugene chapter; Mrs. Lorna Small, associate dean of the academy of Friendship, Corvallis chapter; Mrs. Rose Van Meter, senior regent, Merrill chapter; Mrs. Mildred Engles, senior regent, Corvallis chapter. Mrs. E. H. Garr played two violin selections, accompanied by Mrs. Harry McAdams; Mrs. Charles Minturn

Stalin Sees Victory

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Records of the Communist paper mill bordering the Red Army late last year, and advised President Roosevelt he is convinced the time is near when cooperating forces of the Soviet Union, the United States and Great Britain will bring about "the final defeat of our common enemy, Hitlerite Germany."

A message from Stalin, made public by the White House, acknowledged the president's cable of Feb. 22 congratulating the Red army on its 26th anniversary.

BODY IDENTIFIED

OREGON CITY, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Coroner Ray Reliance today identified the body of a man found lodged in a wicket of a Willamette

LIFE WITH 'JUNIOR' by Elsie, the Bookend

FERN FIRES are FOREST FIRES

Of 62,000 acres of Douglas fir forest land burned last year, over 50,000 acres were early fern fires!

NO PERSON would knowingly start a raging forest fire. Yet fern fires actually are forest fires . . . because their searing heat kills young trees instantly! Literally thousands of acres of prospective future forests are destroyed in this manner every year.

Nature grows bracken fern on logged-off land to protect young Douglas fir

seedlings from the hot sun. The little trees can usually be found under the fern mass. Fire in patches of dead fern do not destroy the fern roots . . . they come back, fast! But fire kills the tree seedlings and destroys the soil building value of dead fern. So fern fires actually destroy both plants and soil . . . all that remains is barren land. Guard against fern fires!

FREE TREES
FARMERS: You may get Douglas fir seedlings FREE for planting on fern patches and woodlots, just by calling at the forest industries tree nursery, Nisqually, eight miles north of Olympia on the Pacific Highway—at the foot of the long, straight hill. These seedlings are of the long, straight hill. These seedlings are two years old, tall and strong. Home owners, en's clubs, Boy Scout troops, home owners, may also have fir seedlings FREE for the asking. Look for the highway sign—WEST COAST TREE FARMS NURSERY.

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