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COURAGE ON THE HOME FRONT

There are so many stories in this community, waiting to be told! That was the observation of Sgt. Newt Oliphant, the young man from "Yank," when he was here. He is now "somewhere," telling other stories. Now and then we manage to get one told, and we have an idea the many who are "fretting on the homefront" got a lift from the story of Paul Davis. His body can't move, but his mind flies, and he has taught other men to fly.

There came to mind an old rhyme:
"Four walls do not a prison make, nor...
Somehow, we couldn't locate it in Bartlett, but we found one which is even better (attributed to Margaret Fairless Barber, 1869-1901):

"Necessity can set me helpless on my back, but she cannot keep me there; nor can four walls limit my vision."
In this community we have a little society of people who can't get around but refuse to be called "shut-ins." They have called themselves "The Lookouts." They do a great many things for themselves and other people. It was through one of the other Lookouts that we first learned of Paul Davis, and his work as a teacher, and writer, and explorer of the new and infinite domain of air.

This story comes at a time when Lane county is not doing so well in War Bonds, when it has been necessary to import a soldier show from Camp Adair and ask Eddie Sammons to come down from Portland and do a job of scolding. Of course we all say:

"The least I can do is buy another War Bond."

That is a magnificent understatement. It is something less than the least (if we may be permitted to say that). There are so many things we could all do, if we had a mind. Men and women are needed to help with the selling of War Bonds. Men and women are needed who will do whatever needs doing, whenever the needs occur, without waiting to be told—even if it is only to answer a soldier letter. In the service they have a name for us—"goldbrickers!"

When the B-29's were over Japan, Paul Davis was "flying" with them. It is quite a story.

"DRAFT DEWEY!" INVITES RHYMES

It has often been remarked that no other nation in human history has produced anything quite like the political convention. From Chicago we are getting the first blatant note of the overture to the Republican jam session which begins next Monday. The Dewey people, quite confident (or are they?) that their man is as good as in have announced that their war cry will be:

"Draft Dewey! Draft Dewey!"
This is a very catchy slogan, as such things go, but you may be sure that the supporters of Bricker and other aspirants will not overlook the fact that it rhymes with a number of words including "hokey" and "bloody." It may also give birth to a lot of new wisecracks about "1-A and 4-F" draft classifications.

Little things like slogans and jokes and "pep phrases" are very good for the morale of the boys in the delegations, gives 'em something to do until they can be told what to do in the convention. They are as necessary as the bands and the beer and the bunting.

For the Republican convention the selection of the candidate seems to be much more important than the building of the platform, this time. There has been a great clamor for "a personality" that can "beat Roosevelt." Dewey is being "sold" on the strength of his good looks, his excellent radio voice, and his popular appeal as "Mr. District Attorney." The Bricker fans have tried very hard to make their "Honest John" folksy. There are a lot of "dark horses" gnawing at their managers in the stable, but there doesn't seem to be a "Man 'O War" among 'em.

For that reason, some writers, particularly the veteran Stanley High and Wendell Willkie are trying to tell the GOP that its declaration of principles, if any, can be much more important than the personality. Mr. High, in fact, declares in this week's Satevepost that the GOP cannot hope to beat Roosevelt unless it can evolve some plan of positive action which has all the answers to years of "New Deal defeatism."

There is merit in that argument. The New Deal has run hog wild on social reform. It has done little to rouse the courage, the resourcefulness, the ambition of the American citizen. It has weighted him down with bureaucracy. Even organized labor is restive, as can be seen in D. E. Nickerson's report to the Oregon state AFL now meeting here. The distrust of New Deal is no longer confined to the "upper brackets." There are

millions who would respond to the GOP if it could propose some positive program in place of mere complaint.

Maybe Dewey is the man who can magnetize—if he gets the nomination. For "a draftee" he has been kept most carefully under wraps.

The political circus is about to open. The barkers are yelling their wares. It is the full nine ring circus with clowns, tight rope walkers, jugglers, wild animal acts and—the man on the flying trapeze. No other nation has ever had anything like our party convention. It is as "typically American" as the game of baseball, the collegiate cheering section, or the lodge picnic (and makes just about as much sense). But it is a great spectacle and it is a part of what we have called "our American way." Tune in when you can to hear!

A Kentucky pastor furnishes cough drops to his congregation. In the hope that they'll cough up.

The ol' gray outlook ain't what she used to be—and it will be better and better if we all buy Fifth Loan War Bonds!

WASHINGTON LETTER

By PETER EDSON
(Register-Guard Washington Correspondent)

THERE'S A REVOLT BREWING

What you might call the old die-hard southern colonels in the Democratic party are making another last stand in an effort to defeat "that damn Yankee dictator," Franklin D. Roosevelt. Manifestations of this revolutionary activity by the colonels can be seen in a number of related uprisings:

1. Forcing into the Texas Supreme Court a demand that the names of pro-Roosevelt electors be placed on the ballot for the Texas primary in July, after the runaway state convention in May, dominated by the colonels, nominated an anti-Roosevelt slate of electors.
2. The previous naming of untrusted—that is, anti-Roosevelt—delegates of electors by Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and South Carolina. (The Virginia and Georgia conventions are yet to be held; Florida split, a majority to Roosevelt.)
3. The Shreveport, La., meeting of anti-New Deal political elements called by E. B. Germany of Texas and Gov. Martin S. Conner of Mississippi, seeking to consolidate southern opposition to Roosevelt.
4. The open effort to ditch Henry Wallace as vice president.
5. The movement, backed by John U. Barr of New Orleans, to induce Virginia Sen. Harry F. Byrd to become a candidate for the Democratic nomination against Roosevelt.
6. North Carolina Sen. Robert R. Reynolds's formation of a bipartisan organization to support an "America First"—that is, an isolationist and therefore anti-Roosevelt—foreign policy.
7. Southern Democrats' opposition to the C. I. O. Political Action Committee which, in effect if not openly, is doing a land office business in lining up support for Roosevelt and the fourth term. Nearly everything the C. I. O. stands for is opposed by the colonels.
8. Southern opposition to a federal soldier vote ballot on the grounds that it was a violation of the sacred southern principle of states' rights—the same argument used in opposition to repeal of poll tax legislation by federal action.
9. Alabama Sen. John H. Bankhead's fight to force up the price of cotton, cotton goods, and cotton clothing, by limiting the price-fixing powers of OPA.

Three preliminary revolutionary skirmishes have been lost: North Carolina Sen. Josiah W. Bailey's effort to exempt fire insurance from anti-trust law regulation and Tennessee Sen. Kenneth McKellar's effort to hamstring TVA. Kentucky Sen. Alben W. Barkley's revolt over the tax bill.

But add up all this effort and what have you? They'll Likely Lose—But Stir Up Plenty!

If it were Argentina instead of the United States, activities of these southern colonels might mean an effort at a Fascist putsch—which New Dealers have tried to make it.

The degree to which activities of the colonels represents sentiments of their constituents is open to question. Evidence that this reactionary sentiment is not representative of the voters is perhaps best shown by the renomination in state primaries of arch-New Deal Senators Claude Pepper of Florida and Lister Hill of Alabama.

Furthermore, the southern states just don't have the votes in convention to swing the nomination and make good this revolt of the colonels. For all 10 southern states there are only 224 votes out of the total of 1,176. Even under the two-thirds rule, the colonels would need 393 votes to stop the Roosevelt steam roller.

When the convention votes are counted, the colonels will probably find that their revolution has taken a licking. But they may have a lot of fun stirring things up in the meantime.

OLIVE BARBER'S OBSERVATIONS

TOO MANY "EYES"
Just as I've weeded gardens at Hillside, so now my radio script is being "weeded," you might say, at the broadcasting station; a lad named Jerry and a girl called Dixie pull out the big words and it must be pretty hot work, for ever so often they stop, mop their brows and look as if they doubted the results warranted the effort.

But the way I look at it, why make one poor little syllable do a job if you can find three more to help it out. Yet Jerry and Dixie say that while many hands make light work, many syllables make heavy listening. So they take a nice word like "delectable" and whittle it down to "tasty."

Also none of this getting the most done in the least amount of time. When I proved I could get through a page of script a minute, instead of the loud praises I'd expected, I was ordered to slow down. Half a page a minute, and they still yelled. Jerry yelps in four languages. Logger included. I was also told to "keep an eye on your script."

And almost in the same breath, "Watch the clock." Well I learned to pat my stomach with one hand and make circles about the top of my head with the other so in time I may be able to cast my left eye up at the clock and the right one down at my script. But it will take practice.

At least I had hopes until the day recently when I used a Father's day script a week ahead of time. From what I'd heard about the speed of city life, I took it for granted there'd be at least a week's difference in the timing. But it seems in matters like Father's day and the 4th of July and Christmas, city folks are polite and lag along with the yokels.

So now I've been given a new order. It's to "keep your eye on the calendar." Well for goodness sake how many eyes do they think I have. One eye on the clock, one on my script and one on the calendar calls for just one more eye than I possess. But I've lots of unused polysyllables and I'll trade you a batch of these for an eye, if you have one lying around. A blue eye will be good for words of four syllables only. But bring me one of my shade of brown and I'll hand you a brace of eight, plus two ur-splh infinitives. No eye with long lashes accepted; too hard to make it behave.

SOCIETY, WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

By MARIAN LOWRY

SPINSTERS SELLING "WARGORGES" HERE

Members of the Eugene Spinsters club again will be selling the war stamps, corsages, or "wargorges," on the business streets, Saturday.

The group sold them during the bond rally and street dance Wednesday evening. Among members selling them, the group also to carry on the work through Saturday, were Misses Martha Jane Switzer, Leith Brown, Enid Moor, Barbara Harr, and Mrs. Allan Gard.

SON IS BORN

Word has been received here of the birth of a son, Gary Lee, to Petty Officer and Mrs. John M. Jardine, Jr., June 21, in Portland. Petty Officer Jardine is stationed at the Alameda air base in California. Grandparents of the new arrival are Mr. and Mrs. John M. Jardine, Sr., Eugene, and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Phillips of Boring, Ore.

ANNIVERSARY EVENT

Mr. and Mrs. Siebert R. Goldenstein entertained a party of eighteen guests Tuesday evening at their apartment, in celebration of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. It was also in the nature of a farewell to local friends, as the Goldensteins are moving back to Tillamook, their former home.

The evening was passed in conversation and music, and refreshments were served.

INITIATION HELD

Mrs. Robert Swindall, Mrs. A. E. Deaughy and Miss Geraldine Thomson were initiated as new members by Neighbors of Woodcraft, Thursday evening at a regular meeting, Mrs. Mary C. Beckett, magician; Mrs. Swindall, musician, and Mrs. V. J. Gillespie, correspondent, were new officers installed at the session.

Mrs. Prince Glaze was named as chairman of the next meeting, July 13. The drill team will practice Friday evening, June 30, at seven-thirty o'clock.

TO BUY BONDS

Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars voted Thursday evening to spend a hundred and fifty dollars for purchase of war bonds. The business meeting followed a covered dish dinner, attended by approximately 20 persons, and held at the home of Mrs. William Wise. Reports of the state convention in Portland were heard from delegates and officers. Mrs. Lester Hill, president of the local auxiliary, was elected to the office of department conductress.

Special guests attending the meeting were Mrs. John Kuykendahl and Mrs. Richard Danielson. Next meeting of the group will be a business session July 6, at the Knights of Pythias hall.

SOCIAL MEETING

The social meeting of auxiliary and camp of United Spanish War Veterans will take the form of a picnic to be held Sunday afternoon at Skinner Butte park, in the outdoor picnic section. Dinner will be at one o'clock.

FLAG DAY EVENT

A flag day program marked the meeting of Helmetta Temple, Pythian Sisters, Tuesday evening. The finance committee served refreshments after the meeting of the order, making a small charge for its fund. The next meeting will be held July 4, and will be preceded by a covered-dish dinner at six-thirty o'clock.

Helmetta sewing group will meet this week on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Henry Quam, and this will be its last meeting until September.

Salem Marine Missing

WASHINGTON, June 23 — (AP) — The navy department announced today that Corp. Edward E. Ames, U.S.M.C., of Salem, is missing in action. Corporal Ames' father is Claude W. Ames, Salem.

The Chinese painted in water colors in the third century.

SCOUT DAY CAMP GIVEN INSPECTION

Eugene Girl Scout day camp received an official visit and inspection from Mrs. Charles Gillilan, on Thursday, and after her inspection Mrs. Gillilan approved the project for the national organization.

Prof. F. P. Sipe, botanist at the University of Oregon, on Thursday entertained the entire day camp membership with an interesting lecture on birds, flowers and trees. He took the scouts on a conducted nature study tour of the wooded region adjacent to Hendricks park where the day camp will be conducted until June 29.

Girl Scout day camp activities are under the direction of Mrs. Richard H. Hopper, day camp chairman, and Mrs. David D. Zink, who also paid an official visit to the day camp on Thursday, accompanied by Mrs. Arthur W. Priaulx, commissioner.

WEDDING RECENT EVENT AT FALL CREEK

FALL CREEK.—Friday evening, June 16, a crowd gathered at the Christian church in Fall Creek for the marriage of Miss Elmira Anderson of Salem to Mendel Robertson. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Hilda B. Smith of Salem.

The ring ceremony was used and Donald Burke, pastor of the church, officiated. A trellis covered with ferns and roses having a large candelabra at each side, was a background for the ceremony. Many other flowers added to the decorations of the church.

The bride was attired in a white dress and veil and carried a bouquet of flowers. She was attended by three bridesmaids. They were Miss Barbara Dell Robertson, a sister of the bridegroom, and Miss Irene Wacken and Miss Marian Chessman, of Salem. Miss Robertson wore a light blue dress, Miss Chessman and Miss Wacken wore dresses of pink and blue.

Herman Burke was best man. Mrs. Ethel Krieger of Eugene presided at the piano. Mr. Robertson, father of the bridegroom, sang "I Love You Truly." Two little boys, Dick Anderson and Delbert Robertson, lighted the candles. Beverly Robertson, the tiny sister of the bridegroom, strewed rose petals in the aisle.

Harold Hake and Lee Gerald were ushers. A reception followed the service. Mrs. Donald Burke served the cake and Miss Barbara Dell Robertson poured.

After a wedding trip the couple will be at home at Lowell.

Many friends from Salem, Turner, and Eugene attended. Mrs. Smith, the mother of the bride, among them.

Fred C. Heffron Dies In California Town

Fred C. Heffron, practicing attorney in Eugene for many years prior to five years ago, died in his sleep at his home at San Clemente, Calif., a few days ago at the age of 80 years. He had been planning to come to Eugene to visit his son and daughters and had bought his railroad ticket and made his reservation on the train.

Mr. Heffron was a member of several Eugene Masonic orders and of the local Methodist church, having been a member of the official board of the church when he lived here.

He is survived by one son, Lee Heffron, of Eugene, and three daughters, Mrs. C. E. Gray and Miss Mildred Heffron of Eugene and Mrs. G. Burke Richardson, of Thurston.

The body will be cremated in California and the ashes brought north to Portland for interment.

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FLOWER EVENT TWO DAYS; CLUB MEETS

A number of items of business came before the Eugene Garden club for action Tuesday evening. This was the last regular meeting of the group until the fall meeting in September.

Chairmen announced by the president, Mrs. J. C. Blintz, to serve with the new staff of officers are:

City beautification, Mrs. Charles Anderson.
Nature study, Mrs. Carl Kruger.
Year book, Mrs. Charles Adamson.
Radio, Mrs. V. M. Melford.
Publicity, Mrs. J. Ernest Brunton.

Membership, Mrs. Lester Read. Library, Mrs. J. R. Nasholm. Hobbies, Mrs. R. D. Busey. Hostesses and hospitality, Mrs. R. P. Sutton.

Newcomer study group, Mrs. Dudley Holland.
Program, Mrs. E. R. Knollin.

Mrs. E. R. Knollin, program chairman, gave an outline of her work and suggestions for program subjects were called for from the members. A number of original and interesting topics were submitted to be incorporated in the program scheduled for the coming year.

The report on the work the Junior Gardeners are doing at their garden plots was given by Mrs. Arthur Ruhndorf and Mrs. George Graves, two of the directors of this project. The Eugene Sand and Gravel company has donated and delivered loam for the gardens. An appreciation of this donation was voiced by the club. The children are spending many enthusiastic hours planting, cultivating and watering; a number working two plots.

Mrs. Ruhndorf gave the plans as developed by her committee for the arrangement show this Saturday and Sunday, June 24 and 25, the hours Saturday to be from two until ten o'clock and from two to eight o'clock on Sunday. The arrangements are in four sections as follows:

- I. Table arrangements for in or out doors.
- II. Vases in pairs.
- III. Mantels and consoles.
- IV. Wall or bracket. Ribbons will be awarded. Prizes for first, second and third place will be given in the children section.

Mrs. Clifford L. Constance is chairman for the hostesses. Those serving Saturday are: Mrs. H. H. Peters, Miss E. B. Estes and Mrs. T. M. Melford; those on Saturday evening to be Mrs. Ralph Ball, Mrs. H. Spicer, and Mrs. Myrtle Kidwell.

Sunday afternoon Mrs. A. E. Nelson, Mrs. Fern Butcher, and Miss Alice Stowe will serve: Sunday evening, Mrs. Clifford Constance, Mrs. T. M. Melford.

Members are reminded to bring blooming cacti and unusual or antique plates for the hobby collection.

Miss Nellie Lyle was speaker for the evening, Tuesday, on outdoor living rooms. During the discussion period several told of the construction of their fireplace or barbecue pits, methods and materials used, and results obtained.

Mrs. Karl Kruger is to have charge of arrangements for the club picnic to be held July 10.

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Sgt. Jahu Wilson Has Third Medal

SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA: Lieut. Gen. George C. Kenney, Commander of the Allied Air Forces in the Southwest Pacific, has awarded a second oak leaf cluster, "for meritorious achievement" while participating in operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific during which hostile contact was probable and expected, to Staff Sergeant Jahu B. Wilson, Rt. 2, Eugene, Ore. The decoration is in addition to previous awards of the air medal and an oak leaf cluster.

These operations, which have

played a major role in Gen. MacArthur's offensive against the Japanese, consisted of bombing missions against enemy air bases and installations, and attacking enemy naval vessels and shipping.



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