

Would-Be Cellist Is Brave Marine

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SAIPAN — (AP) — The bravest man I have seen in this war is Frank Campbell, San Mateo, Calif., a soft-voiced, 23-year-old navy medical corpsman, who was one of the two men who never took cover despite enemy sniper and machinegun bullets during the first frightful hour of the Saipan campaign.

The other man was Maj. Henry P. "Jim" Crowe, battalion commander. Campbell, who before the war hoped to become a concert cellist and composer, was the man to whom the doctors turned when an assignment was dangerous and hard.

One of more than 500 navy corpsmen assigned to the second marine division to assist the battalion doctor, carry stretchers and give first aid in the battle-lines, Campbell also landed with us at Tarawa. There and at Saipan, he walked about among exploding and artillery shells until even the marines, who specialize in courage, watched with admiration.

"Look at that God damn Campbell," one said. "Just like at Tarawa."

He was wounded the second day at Saipan when a piece of shrapnel ripped through his arm, but he was back two days later in time to join the battalion in its heart-breaking, incredible push along the spine of Mt. Tapochau.

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HERE is "pictured proof" of a challenge to Route F! Sidney and Maree McGahey, Junction City, show off the huge cactus in bloom at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. McGahey. Says Mrs. McGahey: "At the time this picture was taken the cactus had 25 white blooms, each measuring eight inches across the face. The picture was taken in the middle of June. Since then, 12 more buds have opened, and now two more buds are in full bloom. The first of June we counted 85 buds forming on the plant. The blossom is very fragrant. Also, note the cactuses are growing outside. We made the bed, 12 by 6 feet, four years ago this November. They were all small plants, but some now measure 40 inches in height. We have cactuses in bloom from early spring until late fall. The bed is watered right along with our lawn. We have more than 20 varieties. How about it Route F?" (Willshire engraving).

Springfield—

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legislature the procedure for a park district entails:
1. Signatures of 25 per cent of the property owners in each district concerned.
2. Open hearing before county court which may or may not exclude any property owner who asks to be left out.
3. Setting a date by the coun-

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ty court for an election.
4. Majority approval of all registered voters within the boundaries set by the county court.
5. Election of a board of three park commissioners to administer the program.
The park district promoters have asked Dr. Melville Jones, School Superintendent E. H. Silke, and Earl James (head of Glenwood's water board) to stand for park commissioner if the plan is adopted. Others may file but an effort is being made to indicate the type of leadership the program will have if it is adopted.
Under state law, the three park commissioners would have power to levy up to 10 mills annually to acquire and operate park facilities, but Fort says it is unlikely the full levy would ever be used.
"In the first few years, while acquiring property, the levy might be fairly heavy, but we estimate that once the parks and playgrounds are established 3 mills a year will support a continuous program of operation and development."
Springfield leaders did not ask Eugene to participate in the formation of the district because Eugene already has several hundred acres of parks, but as the law is written there is nothing to prevent the two communities combining into one park district in later years or working out continuous park programs which will fit together.

Fred Fisk—
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busy to run for the state chairmanship.
Warren Erwin, Portland, Jack Summerville, Portland, and Edson Vickers, Polk county, are among those mentioned in Saturday press releases as candidates for the state office.
Among those expected to go from here as officials to the Portland session are Paul Plank, state democratic committeeman from Lane county; Mrs. Plank, the state democratic committeewoman from here, and Lee Stuart, Lane county democratic central committee chairman.
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Did It Just Happen? Science and Atheism

By J. HUGH PRUETT
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From a highly respected correspondent comes this query: "How does an astronomer have any use for the line from Addison you quoted at the end of your recent article on Sun Worshipers, 'The unwearied sun from day to day does his Creator's power display.' I prefer this: 'The scientist is always advancing; the theist, retreating.' I like all your article but this quotation."
From another person comes the remark that among many people the present writer's almost worshipful adoration for this mighty luminary brands him unmistakably as non-Christian. He is thus too orthodox or too paganistic, depending upon the point of view.

The general purpose of the lines from Addison was to make clear to readers and to the radio audience that in spite of intense admiration for the glorious lord of day, there was no intention to stop there and give ultimate worship to anything material. "Astronomer" and "atheist" are not synonymous terms. To many sky students the contemplation of the mighty and orderly universe brings thoughts just the opposite of atheism.
An interesting story is told of the versatile American, Benjamin Franklin, when he was on a diplomatic mission to the government of France. One day when making a social call on a noted French atheist, the conversation drifted to weighty philosophical topics. Said the Frenchman, "I have studied the problems of the immense universe all my life. I have considered causes and effects, origins and operations from every possible angle. I finally see clearly that no mind or intelligence is needed for the beginnings or workings of the system. All of this vastness just happened."
A few days later in his own quarters Franklin, partly to amuse himself, constructed a little device he had previously considered—a model of the solar system. A large ball in the center was the sun. Arranged at the ends of rods at various distances from the sun were the planets. These were so attached to gears that when a handle was turned, each planet encircled the sun in its proportionate time. Thus the earth went around 12 times while the more distant Jupiter made one revolution.

Sometime later the Frenchman returned the call. Soon he asked, "What is that little machine on the shelf yonder?"
Franklin gladly took it down and explained fully its purpose; how the sizes of the planets had been varied and how the gear ratios had been carefully calculated so the revolution periods would be proportionately correct.
The Frenchman was delighted with it. "Someone has certainly fixed up a most ingenious and clever planetarium. I admire his ability. Evidently deep thought and planning were required for its construction. Who made it?"
Replied the American nonchalantly, "Oh nobody. It just happened."

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PFC ROBERT H. HOLLINGSWORTH, Infantryman, son of J. B. Hollingsworth of Eugene, was wounded in action, but slightly, June 24, in France. He has been overseas since March of 1943, taking part in the campaigns of Tunisia and Sicily before the invasion.

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W. W. (SCOTTY) STUART, of the local committee arranging for the district convention of Kiwanis International in Eugene on Aug. 12, 14, and 15. (Kennell-Ellis photo, Willshire engraving)

Soviet's Wild West Amazing Producer

By HARRISON SALISBURY
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NOVOSIBERSK, U. S. S. R., July 2 — (Delayed) — Out here in Siberia is the Soviet Union's "wild west," a rooting-tooting, tough-as-nails country that invariably reminds Americans of the frontier of Montana.
Here is one Soviet region which, despite hardships and sacrifices, war production and war readjustments, has advanced 10 years in three.
The development of this area was shown to Eric Johnston, president of the United States chamber of commerce and American correspondents during our visit. We toured one great plant, built since the outbreak of the war, which Johnston described as equal for efficiency, smoothness and cleanliness of operation to any similar American industry.
Mike Is Sparkplug
The sparkplug of this vast, young Siberian area is "Mike." Mike is Mikhail Kalugin, 44, touse-haired secretary of the communist party committee for Novosibirsk province during the past seven years.
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WITH THE 15th AAF IN ITALY — Pictured here is the "Idiot's Delight," first AAF Flying Fortress and crew of the 97th bombardment group to land at its home base after the group completed its 300th combat mission. These 300 missions include attacks on almost every axis-dominated country in Europe from bases in England, north Africa, Russia and Italy. First Lt. Eugene P. Bissell, 21, Eugene, Ore., is a member of the crew, being group navigator.
The 97th is famous for its many "firsts." It was the first heavy bombardment group to make a daylight attack on France from an English base. It was the first

to attack Europe without fighter protection. The group made the first bombing missions over both France and Germany from north Africa. They dropped the first bombs on Sardinia. They participated in the first mission to Rome.
When the first shuttle mission from Italy to Russia was landing at their bases the 97th landed the first American heavy bomber. It now has become the first heavy bombardment group in the United States army air force to fly 300 missions over enemy territory.
Lieutenant Bissell, of Floral Hill Drive, Eugene, is a graduate of Eugene high school. The lieutenant joined the army on Jan. 8, 1942. He attended the Sheppard field air mechanics school and aerial gunnery school before going to the aviation cadets. He earned his wings and his commission on Oct. 23, 1943 at San Marcos, Tex.
A veteran of 33 high altitude combat missions over enemy territory, Lieutenant Bissell has been awarded the air medal with four oak leaf clusters.

know more names than Mike. Refugees from Moscow
Mike is the guy who got hundreds of barracks and sod huts built to receive hundreds of thousands of refugees during the bad times when only Russian blood saved Moscow from falling. He is used to hard times and fighting. He told Johnston that during the Russian civil war he was in the Bolshevik cavalry.
"I was only 17 or 18 then," he said. "It was a do-or-die fight. And it was a bad day for me if I got less than two enemy officers in a day's battling."
Siberia has been growing like wood in an August sun since the war began. There has been no time to sit around and figure out the cultural and economic implications. But Mike and other soviet sparkplugs like him believe they are creating a Russia of the future.
Country Has Future
The country here is far removed from possible military threats. Since the czarist days Siberia's greatest need has been people. The wars have provided the populations and the opportunities will not be lost.
The whole region bulges with huge industrial plants moved here from the west. At the height of the evacuations, Novosibirsk had a population of 800,000, while the outlying area absorbed another 250,000.
Much of this population has or will return to the west. But the plants have come to stay.

ARGENTINE NEWS FREED
BUENOS AIRES, July 22 — (AP) — The Argentine government today eliminated censorship on outgoing news regarding Argentina.

Fierce Foe—

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"Japan is now determined over to the offensive."
Marines Are Spearhead
Marines of the third corps spearheaded both thrusts on Guam. The tanks were about six miles on either side of Apra harbor. Held mile-long beachheads for the protection of the firepower of warships, planes and tanks.
They had little trouble in coastal defenses—gas houses and barriers—all to rubble by a 10,000-ton preliminary bombardment probably the smoothest in the Pacific war. Mortar and artillery opposed the drive for the hill.
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