

Roseburg Gets 164 Bed Vets Hospital

WASHINGTON, D. C. (AP)—Sen. Omar N. Bradley, veterans administrator, announced that construction of a new hospital at Roseburg, Ore., will be turned over to the Army Engineers today.

Bradley indicated that priority would be given to construction of three units for which congress has appropriated \$5,537,095. The three projects are included in a national hospital program for veterans which was turned over to the Army Engineers today.

Seattle will get a 300-bed general hospital costing \$3,351,216. The Miles City hospital will be a 100-bed general medical structure costing \$1,050,312, and the Roseburg unit will be a 164-bed addition to the neuropsychiatric hospital costing \$1,125,567.

Try Establishing Second Smelt Run

PORTLAND—(P)—An effort to establish a February run of smelt in the Sandy River was under way.

The Oregon Fish Commission, which will transplant 7500 Coward river smelt to the Sandy, faced 3500 of the silvery fish in the river.

Cowit smelt usually make their upstream run in February, the normal Sandy run has been irregular, but in recent years has been irregular. If the experiment succeeds, the river will have regular February run, plus a regular run in the years when the fish go to the stream.

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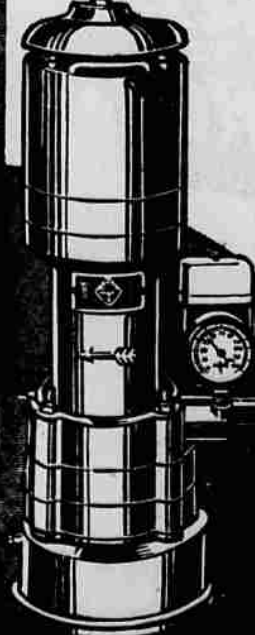
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Spanish-French Frontier Can't Be Sealed, Says Returned GI

By WAYNE HARBERT

Closure of the Spanish-French border, that diplomatic barometer safely far enough into the Pyrenees from both Madrid and Paris, increases the isolation of Senor Franco, but that frontier can never be sealed any tighter than a wicker basket with dry sand.

After living for four months in sight of Pyrenean peaks in Spain, south across the surf from Biarritz in southeast France, I realize how difficult it is for governments to regulate borders, especially in wild mountains like those which divide French from Spanish.

Officially that frontier has been closed for at least seven months, because I was stopped at the international bridge connecting French Hendaye with Spanish Irun by guns of gendarmes last July. We had taken a 20-minute drive south from Biarritz to take a look at Spain.

After drawing up our command car by some wood and steel barricades, pushed to the side of the road, we ambled over to the guards who operated an automatic gate at our end of the 100-yard long bridge.

We stood under the tricolor and looked across the span at a set of Spanish guards under their own flag of red and yellow. They had a barrier at their end too.

California Car Passes

While taking some pictures we easily learned it was "pas possible" for us to get across. So we waited around to be surprised by the passage from Spain into France of a station wagon which had necessary papers to make the crossing. We gasped as we saw a California license plate and an A card on its front! My bashfulness broken by a short conversation in English with the driver, just as surprised, at finding GIs on the border, I took a two-word venture into Spain via a woman leaning out of a second floor window of a house only 50 yards from the span.

"Buenos dias," I offered. She scowled. "Buenas tardes!" she called. And then in French too fast for me to note any more than her purpose, she explained my greeting was only spoken in the morning. It was then about 5 p.m.

I left the Hendaye frontier that July evening a whipped linguist. I returned several times, but never again did I even speak French on the frontier.

Although ordinary traffic was long ago banned from the border, the new move and counter-move by the two nations does cut even commercial traffic. France

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ish. Like southern California, they have something of the Iberian architecture. Spaniards have educated the French into permitting them to kill bulls in fights in French arenas.

Frontier Closed

Women in the mountain villages wear the lacy, black mantillas. I saw them one Sunday morning on their way to mass in Laruns, 40 kilometers up a Pyrenean valley from Pau. After watching belled sheep being driven through the town square to the lower valley we rode our bicycles toward the forbidden frontier. We followed on tortuous mountain road up a fork of the main valley to tiny Eaux-Bonnes and beyond, where it became a mere trail paralleling the political line. We descended to follow a more direct route through the little watering place of Eaux-Chaudes. The same sign which pointed us upstream included an auxiliary posting which warned: frontiere ferme, frontier closed.

We had a blonde English secretary working for us at Biarritz. Her name was Angela. Before the war she had become engaged in England to a Spaniard. He had gone back to Spain and she had set out to whip Hitler so they could meet and marry. When I left Biarritz, Angela was winning permission to have Jose cross over the bridge from nearby Bilbao for daytime walks in the sun of Hendaye. Some of these times, in spite of war and peace, Jose and Angela will probably see each other after the sun goes down. It's impossible to legislate love.

Supply and Demand

That simple little economic law of supply and demand will make it impossible for Paris to close or for Madrid to close the rambling political line which courses the length of the Pyrenees from Hendaye to Port Vendres on the Mediterranean.

The French have no chocolate or shoes or steak and the Spanish have chocolate, shoes and steaks. Basques do not generally live in the towns. Their homes are in the tiny seashore and mountain villages and on farms cut from hillsides. Those agrarian people are not dependent upon usual trade channels. They cultivate their own corn and find their wine in hilly vineyards. In their yards they have rabbits, chickens, geese, goats and sheep. Their draft animals are huge oxen. They call them the blondes of the Pyrenees. They do not have automobiles so they do not need many roads. The Basques travel by trail.

Your Income Tax ABC's

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third of a series of stories explaining who does what about his income tax return.)

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON, Feb. 20—(P)—Who can use Form W-2, the withholding receipt, in filing his 1945 income tax return?

This story explains who can and can't.

If you can't, you must use Form 1040, as a short-form or long-form return, depending upon your individual case.

Don't send money to the internal revenue collector when you mail him your 1945 income tax return on Form W-2. The collector checks your return. If you owe him money, he'll tell you. You pay him within 30 days after he notifies you. If he finds too much tax has been withheld from you, you'll get a refund.

You can use Form W-2:

1. If your income was less than \$5,000 and practically all of it was in wages or salary from which the tax regularly was withheld.

2. If—besides your wage or salary—you had income not over \$100 from interest or dividends or other wages not subject to withholding, provided that extra income did not bring the total income to \$5,000.

Can husbands and wives make a combined return on Form W-2? Yes, if that combined income was less than \$5,000 and fits the requirements listed above.

Suppose the combined salaries of yourself and wife—each subject to regular withholding in 1945—was \$5,000 or over but individually less than \$5,000.

You couldn't file jointly on form W-2. You could file separately on Form W-2 automatically is given jointly on the 1940 long form.

There's a place on Form W-2 for listing your exemptions but not for listing allowable deductions, like charitable contributions, interest on mortgages, medical and dental expenses, dues.

That's because everyone using Form W-2 automatically is given a 10 per cent deduction for such things on the tax table.

If you worked for more than one boss who withheld taxes from your 1945 wages, get a Form W-2 receipt from each. Without all the receipts, you can't make a return on Form W-2. You'll have to use Form 1040.

If you have them all, attach them to the receipt from your last boss. That's the one you fill out and file. Don't fill out the others.

Oregon Urged to Plant Vegetable Gardens

CORVALLIS—(P)—Oregon was urged today to plant vegetable gardens again this season.

W. L. Teutsch, assistant director of Oregon State College extension service, said back-yard plots would be essential to this year's world-wide food demand. R. Ralph Clark, assistant extension horticulturist, will work with county extension staffs to promote vegetable growing.

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Yacht Club Calls For Volunteer Workers

A general call has been made for workers from the membership of the Eugene Yacht Club for Sunday, March 3, and the following Sunday, March 10.

Piling is in, it is reported, at the site of the proposed moorage in the deepened basin at Fern Ridge Lake, and men are to meet there

to put in backlogs in preparation for further work with a bulldozer. Workers are to bring shovels and wrecking bars, and also their lunch, it is stated.

Letters from the Oregon Outboard Assn. have been received recently by the Eugene Yacht Club, stating that the organization would welcome an invitation to hold another meet at Eugene's inland lake sometime in late summer.

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Organizers of Hospital Receive Commendation

A certificate of appreciation recognizing the contribution made by the University of Oregon Medical School in organizing and staffing the 46th General Hospital has been received by Dr. Harry K. Newburn, president of the university.

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