

For Whom Taps Is Blown

O Soldier, you are not in that still place,
Asleep beneath a covert of flowers,
Where people gently move with solemn face
To make those mounds like brightly fragrant bowers.
O Soldier, with your youthful, buoyant grace,
You walk triumphantly through sunlit hours
Beyond this far, faint firmament. Your race,
So short, so swift, is won: while here the towers
Of monumental Peace rise from the base
You built of blood and agony, with powers
Of heart and soul and mind to bind and brace
A broken world. O Soldier, as soft showers,
Our tender tears are falling now to lave
That wounded world you gave your all to save.

Fire Ruins Seven-Store Plant; Origin of Flames Undetermined

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ing. Bradway, who operated a hardware section in the ruined establishment, reported that flames destroyed his car, parked near the fire. Bradway and his wife, living in back of the building, were awakened by their two dogs at 1:30 a. m. Their two cats were

killed, but the dogs escaped. Mr. and Mrs. Dickson conducted the store's grocery department. Besides their section and the Bradway shop, departments ruined were the George Williams Cafe, Baker's Drug, Catron's meat market, Larson's vegetable section and Farren's used furniture store.

Plans Uncertain
Dickson said he was uncertain as to his future plans. "I came out here with nothing but a tent. I guess I can start again," he said. He came to Eugene 14 years ago. The ruined store was ten years old May 24.

The Dickson family is well known in Willamette Valley retailing circles. Relatives of the Roy Dicksons own stores at Springfield, Albany, and in other communities.

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Lane Health Work Reduction Feared

BY ROCH BRADSHAW
The 6 per cent tax straight-jacket has forced Lane County into the position of saying, unwillingly: "Even though we can't get any nurses at all in the health department next year, we can't raise salaries."

It has forced the county to say, in effect: "Even though the menace of disease is increased, we can't provide additional help to guard against new sources of river pollution."

The county has been forced to deny itself other necessary services such as two more deputies for the sheriff and two additional deputies for the assessor—even though the latter could tax new sources of tax revenue.

Two citizens came before the commissioners and budget com-

mittee during the past week while the 1947-48 budget was being framed, to make pleas for the health department, which the officials explained they were unable to grant because of lack of funds.

W. H. Atkinson of the Lane County Health Assn. told the officials that "the need in this area for an assistant sanitarian and better health service is greater than it ever was before."

Mert Folts, president of the Willamette chapter of the Isaac Walton League, appeared personally and presented a letter from the league which said in part: "I call your attention to the fact that the health department is the first line of defense against disease, water borne or food-borne."

"We think that that line is already pitifully thin. To weaken it can only incur costly losses to Lane County. Costly because

organization, particularly as to pollution. "We have on different occasions asked the department for surveys or inspections of alleged infractions and have found them hard-pressed to make the inspection, let alone a followup. Hence a decrease in that department's ability can only make a bad situation worse."

Report Cited
The letter said that "... the farmer cannot use river water directly from the Willamette to irrigate truck crops because of the attendant dysentery germs."

"This is the report of Ivan Oakes (engineer-analyst) of the Willamette River Basin Commission." The letter would submit written evidence to show that "pollution and polio are related."

Shows Address
Folts presented a copy of Outdoor America, official publication of the Isaac Walton League, which contained a report of the league's annual convention in 1946. Included was an address by Dr. Edward A. Piszczek, director of the Cook County, Ill., Dept. of Public Health.

Dr. Piszczek told his listeners that "every person crippled by infantile paralysis who walks awkwardly, often in pain, on the roads and sidewalks of the nation is a living challenge to you to

bring about elimination of sewage pollution."

Atkinson put his finger on a paradoxical situation when he pointed out to the commissioners and budget committee that for this year five nurses were budgeted for the health department but that for most of the year it was possible to hire only two because of low salaries.

Without an increase he implied that it will be impossible to attract more than two for the coming year, and perhaps not that many.

The money thus left in this year's health department budget reverts to the general fund.

Few Nurses
This year's health department budget was \$31,740, but for the first six months only \$12,848 was available because the quota of nurses could not be obtained at salaries offered. In anticipation of the same situation in the coming year, the budget was cut from a requested \$41,480 to \$30,960.

Atkinson said the Lane County Health Assn. might consider helping the budget but that, if salaries weren't raised and additional nurses obtained, the contributed money would just revert to the general fund next year and there would be no point in giving it.

Deputies Investigate
Willamette City Theft
Sheriff's deputies Thursday were investigating the robbery late Wednesday night of the Willamette City Garage from which \$23 cash was taken when the lock on the door was broken to gain entry.

The garage is owned by W. W. Allen, who reported the robbery early Thursday morning. No arrest had been made by late afternoon, reports from Oakridge said.

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Atom Debate Studies Veto

LAKE SUCCESS — (AP) — The United States and Russia headed Friday toward a showdown on the question of the veto in atomic control.

The controversial issue is whether all functions in the atomic field will be subject to the major-power veto of the United Nations Security Council.

Soviet Resolution
The pattern for the fight was set Thursday when Russia gained a minor decision in the U. N. Atomic Energy Commission.

The Soviet edge came when the commission's working committee adopted unanimously a Russian-sponsored resolution reaffirming a general assembly decision that any international system of atomic control should operate within the framework of the Security Council.

Veto Question
Although U. S. Deputy Delegate Frederick H. Osborn voted for the resolution, he had repeatedly insisted its adoption left the way open for the Russians to claim that all functions in the atomic field should be made subject to the veto.

Osborn tried unsuccessfully to insert an amendment specifying that the resolution "in no way modifies the commission's first report." This report recommended an international atomic control agency free of big power veto.

Fears Not Shared
But Osborn's fear that the Soviet resolution would place atomic matters within reach of the Security Council veto was not shared by many of the other delegates.

They agreed with Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko that the committee could ill afford to refuse to pass something already approved by the 55-nation General Assembly.

Engineer, Fireman Killed in Mishap

McCOMB, Mo.—(AP)—State police said Friday they had received reports that the engineer and fireman of the Frisco Railroad's Florida Special were killed when the train was derailed here, 40 miles east of Springfield, Mo.

The engine and four baggage cars were reported to have left the tracks, the engine plunging over a 40-foot embankment and coming to rest at the bottom of a ravine. The passenger coaches were said to have remained on the rails.

(At Frisco headquarters in St. Louis a company spokesman said seven baggage, mail and express cars turned over. The engine was the only part of the train to plunge down the embankment. Two of the passenger cars left the track but remained upright. Names of the dead crewmen were not learned immediately. The spokesman said the engineer was believed to have lived in Springfield.)

The Florida Special operates between Kansas City and Memphis, Tenn., but state police did not know in which direction the train was traveling at the time of the accident.

Three baggage clerks were reported injured in the derailment. Nearly every Netherlands town has a cake or cookie distinctively its own.

Five Gaiters Set for Show

"Rock On!" to the strains of the traditional "My Old Kentucky Home," will be the slogan Friday night at the county fairgrounds horse show as the five gaited show horses appear for the first time in the three-day attraction. The Kentucky "dancing doll" highly trained rackers will show in two classes, combination five gaited, and ladies five gaited.

A large class of Tennessee walking horses from the extensive stables near Tigard will compete with several local entries for the \$250 stake prize money. These horses walk as fast as an ordinary horse will trot.

Ticket sales will continue Saturday at Miller Dept. Store, United States National Bank and the fairgrounds.

FRIDAY EVENING
Jumpers—John Osborne Trophy; Sheriff's Posse; Combination Five Gaited; Tennessee Walking Horses—\$250 Stake; Musical Chairs; Three Gaited Horses—Under 15.2; Pleasure Horse Class—Western Saddle; Three Gaited Pairs—English Saddle; Ladies Five Gaited Class; Quarter Horse Class; Western Three Gaited Class; Roadster Class.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON
Jumpers: Junior Seat and Hands—14 to 18 years; Tennessee Walking Horses; Musical Chairs; Family Class; Quarter Horse Class; Combination Three Gaited; Palomino Class; Five Gaited Mares Class; Girls Posse; Arabian Class; Ladies Side Saddle Class.

Commercial Travelers
Open Convention Here
The 40th annual regional convention of United Commercial Travelers opened Friday morning in Community Hall, with Grand Counselor H. L. Mullett of Vancouver, B. C., presiding. About 200 delegates from Oregon, Washington and British Columbia were on hand.

The convention will continue Saturday. Also present is M. B. Kelly of Seattle, junior grand counselor. Officers will be elected Saturday.

There will be a buffet dinner Friday evening at the Osburn Hotel for delegates and their wives. The grand counselor's banquet and ball will take place Saturday night at the Cascade Club near Springfield, according to Claude Darling, senior counselor of Eugene Council No. 681.

Paraguay President
Claims War Near End
BUENOS AIRES — (AP) — The 12-week-old Paraguayan civil war appeared to be nearing an end Friday as jubilant government communiques claimed an uninterrupted string of victories which took loyalist troops to within five miles of Concepcion, the rebel capital.

The latest communique from the government of President Higinio Morinigo in Asuncion said loyalist forces had crossed the final water barrier before Concepcion, the fall of which probably will mark the end of the rebellion.

There still is a lot of country behind the rebels and in their control but it is largely uninhabited and completely devoid of military resources.

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Uncles Called In Yacht Trial

SANTA ANA, Cal. — (AP) — The uncles of Beulah Louise Overell, 18, will be called to testify by the state at her trial with George (Bud) Golum, 21, for the time-bomb murder of her parents, a prosecution spokesman said Friday.

He did not indicate what Fred and Emanuel Junquist, the girl's maternal uncles, would be asked to relate.

It was recalled, however, that it was they who forced her to view the bodies of her slain parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Overell, in a mortuary.

The Overells were bludgeoned to death and their bodies sent to the bottom of Newport Bay aboard their dynamited yacht, Mary E. March 18. Beulah Louise and her fiance, Golum, left the yacht only 48 minutes before the explosion.

She inherited approximately \$600,000 from her parents. If she is convicted of their murder she will lose the inheritance under California law. Emanuel Junquist, her guardian, revealed in Los Angeles Superior Court yesterday that she is worth \$310,000 without the inheritance.

The trial, which began last Monday, was in recess until Monday when the state will continue its examination of the eight women and four men tentatively selected as jurors by the defense.

Gold Standard Urged for China
NANKING — (AP) — The Economic Committee of the Political Council succeeded today in drafting a proposal urging the Chinese government to issue a currency based on the gold standard.
The proposal was drafted after a stormy debate. It now goes to the general session of the Political Council for discussion.

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