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An Abundance Just Around the Corner



Salute to a Lady

By Victoria Wolf

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The Scene: A U. S. Army hospital in a little native village in the heart of Algeria about the time of the American landings in North Africa.
THE STORY: Dr. Merrill orders German-born Charlotte to overhear and report on the conversation of three captured Nazi soldiers.

THE NAZIS TALK

The nazis were lying in clean beds, as neatly bandaged and cared for as our own soldiers would be. A chart with the patient's name, injury, and condition hung over the foot of each cot: Hans Geyer, 18, private, compound fractures of both legs; Friedrich Uebele, 19, private, second degree burns; Horst Von Eberswalde, 22, lieutenant, direct hit in abdominal region.
They were dozing and didn't notice my entrance. A candle on the nurse's table was flaring ghostlike, and threw a flickering light over the three pale faces. I studied these boyish mens, all of which looked strangely alike in that they were devoid of all human sensitivity, hardened and blank like a plaster mask of a modeled warrior.

How could I make the Boches talk without talking to them? I thought of many tricks, but rejected them all. A trick has only a momentary effect. What I needed was a night-long result. Finally I had an idea and ran to Dr. Merrill.
"Why not give them benz-drine?"
Dr. Merrill laughed, "Do you want to be promoted to the Intelligence Service? But he gave me three pills.

I started with Private Hans Geyer, holding a glass of water under his nose. "Hello, you. Come to. Take it."
I avoided saying drink it, as "drink" is too similar to the German "trink."
He looked at me with distrust and shook his head. "Don't be silly," I said, "It will make you feel better."
The lieutenant opened his eyes and asked what was the matter. He had a pungent north German accent. Every word was a staccato order.
"Die will mich vergiften!" said Geyer. "She wants to poison me!"
"Feigling!" the lieutenant scorned. "Coward!"
"Aber man hat uns doch gefasagt, dass der Feind alle Gefangeneten totet." "But we have been told that the enemy kills all prisoners!"
"I would risk it," volunteered

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Washington Letter

By Peter Edson (NEA Staff Correspondent)

Today's guest star will be a citizen named Thomas Jefferson who, some years ago, wrote letters saying he would like to retire from public life and go back to his farm. Any similarity to any other letter written by a living president, saying that he would like to retire from public life and go back to his country estate is, of course, purely coincidental.

From a letter to Mrs. Angelica Church of Germantown: Nov. 27, 1793

"I am going to Virginia. I have at length become able to fix that to the beginning of the new year. I am then to be liberated from the hated occupations of politics and to remain in the bosom of my family, my farm and my books. I have my house to build (that is, remodeling of Monticello), my fields to farm, and to watch for the happiness of those who labor for mine. I have one daughter married to a man of science, sense, virtue and competence; in whom indeed I have nothing more to wish. They live with me. If the other (Maria) shall be as fortunate, in due process of time I shall imagine myself as blessed as the most blessed of the patriarchs."

From a letter to President Washington: Dec. 31, 1793

"Having had the honor of communicating to you... my purpose of retiring from the office of Secretary of State at the end of the month of September, you were pleased, for particular reasons, to wish its postponement to the close of the year. That term, being now arrived, and my propensities to retirement becoming daily more and more irresistible, I now take the liberty of resigning the office into your hands."

Thomas Jefferson did return to Monticello in January 1794, declaring that he was through with public life. But in 1796 he was drafted as a candidate to oppose Federalist John Adams for the presidency. Adams won, 71 to 68 votes in the electoral college, so Jefferson became vice president. But from this position he organized the democratic forces that were to nominate him for the presidency in 1800 and lead him to eight more years of public life as the nation's chief executive.

On his retirement at the age of 65, he wrote this letter to Du Pont De Nemours:
"Within a few days I retire to my family, my books and my farms; and having gained the harbor myself, I shall look on my friends still buffetting the storm with anxiety indeed, but not with envy. Never did a prisoner released from his chains feel such relief as I shall on shaking off the shackles of power... I leave everything in the hands of men so able to take care of them that if we are destined to meet misfortunes it will be because no hu-

"What's his name?" asked Geyer.

"I won't tell it now; she might catch on and spill it, trying to be smart. I'll tell you sometime when we are alone."

"That was like an order for me not to leave the room till I got that name and all my thoughts circled about the one problem: how to make him talk. (To Be Continued)

Salem Physician, Pioneer, Is Dead

Salem, Ore., July 21 (AP)—Funeral arrangements are pending today for Dr. William B. Morse, 78, who died at a Salem hospital late yesterday. He had been a practicing physician and surgeon here for more than 50 years.
He leaves no close relatives. His wife, the former Ethel Cusick, died in 1906.
His record for continuous service is unapproached by any other Salem doctor. He received his medical degree from Willamette university in 1891, and was in continuous practice here until his retirement a few weeks ago, due to ill health.
He was a member of the state board of health for 20 years, and later was president of the state medical society.

"NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS"

Boston (AP)—"Finding much news, John?" Gov. Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts asked a state house reporter. "Not a thing, sir," was the reply. "That's fine," said the governor cheerfully. "News is trouble."

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Tire Inspection Papers Mailed New tire inspection applications were sent to tire inspection stations throughout the area yesterday, according to an announcement from the Bend war price and rationing board. Inspection stations which do not receive their applications should notify the local board immediately. OP A officials said, stressing that after August 21 tire replacements cannot be obtained until the stations have filled in the new form and sent it to the Portland district office. Approximately half of the nation's homes, or approximately 17,000,000 families, use gas as cooking fuel, according to the office of price administration. Buy National War Bonds Now!

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Railroad Survey

(Because of its local interest, the full report of Lieut. Henry L. Abbot dealing with the 1854 explorations for a railroad route from the Sacramento valley to the Columbia river is being reprinted in serial form in The Bulletin. The entry made in the Abbot journal on this date in 1855 follows:

"July 21—As far as Battle creek we found the road pretty rough. At first it crossed a ridge, which might be avoided, with some rock cutting, by passing around the bluff. The rest of the road to the Fort was good, a few short, steep slopes excepted."
Fort Reading is situated on the northern bank of Cow creek, a little stream which discharges itself into the Sacramento, about a mile and a half below the post. There are dry, elevated plains northwest, and a steep bluff conducting to a higher plateau, east of the Fort. The buildings are mostly made of adobes; but some are of wood. The locality is unhealthy in the summer, on account of the prevalence of fever and ague.

We were courteously received and hospitably entertained by Major F. O. Wyse, 3rd artillery, and the other officers stationed at the post. The escort here joined us. It consisted of Lieut. H. G. Gibson, 3d artillery; Lieut. George Crook, 4th infantry, commissary and quartermaster of the expedition; Lieut. J. B. Hood, 2d cavalry; and 100 men twenty being dragoons, and the remainder artillery and infantry soldiers. M. J. Daniels was quartermaster's clerk, and Mr. J. B. Vinton pack master of the escort.

Various causes of delay prevented Lieut. Williamson from continuing the survey until the twenty-eighth of July. Dr. J. F. Hammond, United States army, the surgeon of the Fort, very kindly volunteered to have a series of barometric observations taken at the post, during the continuance of the field work. Lieut. Williamson accordingly left one of the barometers in his charge. His observations proved of very great value in the subsequent computation of altitudes upon the route.
At the recommendation of Maj. Reading, Lieut. Williamson em-

Bend's Yesterdays

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (July 21, 1919)

Reports from Millican indicate that ranchers will have a scanty hay crop, owing to the ravages by rabbits and late frosts.

Miss Irene Roney, head of the Bend telephone operator's local, ends two-day strike of telephone girls upon receiving word that the general strike is over.

Cards reach Bend announcing the marriage in Vancouver, B. C., on July 15 of Ward H. Coble and Miss Hazel Stevens.

T. H. Foley and R. W. Sawyer purchase 1 1/2 lots at the corner of Wall street and Franklin avenue from G. P. Putnam. The Bulletin and offices of the Bend Water, Light & Power company are on the property.

Bend sportsmen returning from the high desert country report the hunting of sage hens there is good.

C. F. McCallum, of the Golden Rule store, returns from an Eastern buying trip and reports an unusual situation in that factories are unable to guarantee prompt deliveries.

A gasoline shortage is felt in Bend, when W. R. Speck, manager of the Standard Oil company branch here, reports that shipments are tardy.

C. D. Brown and daughter Viola are visitors in Bend from Redmond.

BANK ASSETS LISTED Salem, Ore., July 21 (AP)—A total of \$97,268,000 was listed as assets of Oregon's 47 state banks for June 30. A. A. Rogers, state superintendent of banks, announced today.

The figure represents an increase from \$89,479,000 on December 31. Deposits also increased, Rogers said, from \$83,674,000 to \$91,155,000.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

