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Just Another in a Long Succession of Messenger Boys



Navy Is Seeking 17 Year Old Boys

Chief Paul Connet of the Central Oregon navy recruiting station today called attention to the various branches of the navy which are open to those graduates who are 17 years of age. For the student who excels in mathematics and has an aptitude for technical subjects, the navy's recently expanded radar technician training program is an ideal field in which to serve the U. S. and at the same time prepare for a postwar job.

Advertisement for Gilvix Sisters Dry Shampoo Powder. Features a woman's face and a box of the product. Text includes '45 fragrant shampoos with Gilvix Sisters DRY SHAMPOO POWDER \$1.00 PLUS TAX CITY DRUG COMPANY'.

"WHEN GOVERNMENTS ERR"

We find an editorial in the Pacific Coast Edition of the Wall Street Journal that contains what seems to us so much good sense that we call your attention to it by reproducing it in this column, thus:

Newspaper reporters have been having a rather stimulating experience interviewing housewives whose carefully conserved ration coupons were suddenly declared invalid by action of the Office of Price Administration.

The rationing of food is not a simple matter under the best circumstances. In the present case, there seems to have been a divided authority. On top of that there was a miscalculation. The result was that the supply of ration coupons threatened to exceed the supply of food.

It has happened that individuals made commitments which they could not fulfill. Sometimes they did so from motives quite discreditable. Very often, their default was the result of a miscalculation. Regardless of the cause the individual who does such a thing finds himself in trouble and, if his miscalculation causes loss and inconvenience to a great number of people, his trouble may be very serious indeed.

But governments are different, and we speak not of this particular Government but all governments that ever existed. When a government makes commitments which cannot be fulfilled, it just cancels the commitments. And do those responsible go to jail? They do not.

We cite this circumstance at this time because there seems to be abroad in the land a belief that somehow if government runs everything everybody will be better off; that when an ordinary two-legged individual is appointed to public office he somehow becomes endowed with a wisdom, not to say righteousness, that probably bars all errors, and, if errors should occur, with ability to correct them without injury to anyone.

In the present instance, the OPA is certainly doing the best it can and we have some confidence that the irate ladies will cool off and cooperate. They can't do otherwise, anyway.

THE TIMBER EXCHANGE

We have been certain that when the transaction was better understood the Klamath and Lake protests against the pending Shevlin-Hixon-forest service exchange undertaking would be withdrawn. The matter is still in the study-and-collection-of-information stage but a proposal for a withdrawal has been made by a Klamath representative and the "feel" of the account in the Klamath Herald and News of last Friday's meeting is understanding and friendly.

Previous discussion of the matter in this column has been devoted largely to an effort to clear up misunderstandings as they appeared in the terms of the Klamath protest. It is now to be noted that, as reported in the news from Klamath Falls, the consummation of the exchange and of still another now in process, but as yet unadvertised, has a direct bearing on the war effort. Unless these exchanges are completed the company's log supply will be jeopardized.

For this reason, if for no other, the two county courts will doubtless take a changed view of the transaction. It will then be in order for all interested to study the tax situation for the purpose of securing desired changes.

Though Deschutes has done well in its war chest donations and its war bond purchases the paper salvage record is not holding up. Remember that the junior chamber of commerce has taken on the heavy part of this salvage work and do the little that is asked of you. Save your paper and get ready all that has been assembled since the last collection. The plan now is for a city wide collection next Sunday. Do your share.

Missouri Valley Authority is required. We can spare the time to take up that difference of opinion now.

It is to be hoped that in the coming battle the spokesmen for both sides will stick to the issue. Missouri river development is complicated enough. Nothing will be gained by screaming "communism" at the authority people, nor will the latter add to the solution of the problem by attacking the army engineers and the bureau of reclamation as pork barrel bureaucrats.

The people of the valley want less name-calling, less politics, more facts. They want a solution based upon the best available evidence.

BICYCLE RIDERS WARNED
Boys who have been parking their bicycles on the sidewalks near Lewis's Recreation last night were given a warning by police that the practice must be discontinued, police reports disclosed today. Officers were called to the scene last night on complaint that bicycles had also been parked in the entrance to a shop on Oregon avenue.

Buy National War Bonds Now!

Advertisement for Dr. M. B. McKenney, Optometrist. Includes a portrait of a woman and text: 'Better to See - And See Through Your little girl will look prettier in proper glasses and her eyes will greatly benefit by our expert examination, prescribing and fitting. Dr. M. B. McKenney OPTOMETRIST Offices: FOOT OF OREGON AVE. Phone 465-W'.

The WAY OUR PEOPLE LIVED by W.E. Woodward

WHEN NEW YORK WAS YOUNG

It snowed heavily on the night of the fourth day of December of the year 1780. On the morning of the fifth Major Lawrence walked to his office.

He wore a plum-colored square-cut coat which reached to his knees and flared out from the waist downward. His knee breeches were of black broadcloth. His vest, or doublet, was of dark yellow silk with flowery designs on it. There were lace ruffles on his shirt front and at his wrists. He wore a three-cornered cocked hat.

The Major was an importer; he had correspondents in the West Indies, and on the African coast. From the islands of the West Indies came molasses (to be made into rum), raw sugar, and various tropical fruits. From the coast of Africa his ship brought slaves - not to New York, but South Carolina - for at that period black slaves had become so numerous in New York that their prices had collapsed and the trade in them was no longer profitable.

He did not have much to do at his place of business on this snowy day, so he returned home shortly after noon and had his dinner. As soon as the meal was over he went into his library, leaving word that he was not to be disturbed by anyone, as he had much work to do. He remembered suddenly, however, that this was the fifth of the month, so he turned to Dykins, his man servant, and said, "That does not apply to Miss Fraser, if she comes bring her in at once."

The Major had no work to do in the library and Dykins knew it. His seclusion for two or three afternoons a week on the pretense of attending to his personal affairs was one of the polite fictions of the household. He was accustomed to spend these quiet afternoons in pipe-smoking and reading, or in playing solitaire. Sometimes he would take a nap on the sofa.

In the course of the afternoon the Major would do a good deal of drinking.

On this wintry day a fire of cedar logs blazed in the huge fireplace. In that era grates were unknown, so the fire was laid directly on the square stones that formed the surface of the hearth. Above the fireplace there ran across the chimney a thick, heavy mantle. At each end of it stood a candle in a silver candlestick.

The Major and his wife had a handsome and valuable collection of silverware which they kept in

a locked closet on the second floor.

In colonial times banks did not exist in America, and the unnecessary amount of silverware in the homes of the well-to-do took the place of bank accounts. It could always be turned into money quickly.

Besides the bookcases filled with solemn-looking tomes the library contained the Major's desk, a mahogany table, a sofa covered with flowery designs, and six chairs.

The desk was so typical of the 18th century that it might as well be selected as the most representative piece of furniture of that era. It was the kind of desk that was used by Washington, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Jonathan Edwards and thousands of lawyers, doctors and men of business.

The materials for writing lay in a recess on the same level as the writing surface. There was an ornate inkwell of brass, a metal holder containing three goose-quill pens, and a silver shaker of fine sand to be used in blotting the freshly written sheets. Blotting was unknown and sand was used instead.

On the finely polished mahogany table in the center of the room stood a bowl of long-stemmed pipes, a silver tobacco box, and a large candelabrum with branches for candles. Also on the table stood a fire-maker, which was used occasionally for lighting pipes when the candles were not yet lighted and there was no fire on the hearth. The fire-maker consisted of a piece of flint held immovably in place by metal prongs. The flint could be struck by a hammer like that belonging to a musket, by cocking the hammer and pulling a trigger. The spark, thus created, fell into a little metal box filled with cotton, or lint, or fine sawd shavings. The smoker then transferred the burning lint to the bowl of his pipe.

Dykins knocked at the door, opened it a few inches and peeped. "Miss Fraser has come," he said. It was then about 3 o'clock.

The Major replaced the book he was reading and took another from a bookcase near at hand. He had been reading Ahura Behn's novel, "The Nun, or the Perjured Beauty," and the book he took in its place was Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress." He did not consider the glib and flamboyant Mrs. Behn's piece of fiction immoral but it was light and amusing, and after all Miss Matilda Fraser was a teacher of young girls, so he thought it better, as a matter of policy, to have her find him engaged in a more serious occupation than the reading of a trashy novel.

(To Be Continued)

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Bend's Yesterdays

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO (From The Bulletin Files) (Jan. 9, 1930)

From three to five inches of snow blanket Central Oregon, as the mercury drops to five below zero at Fall River and Crane Prairie and stands at five above in Bend.

A Boy Scout court of honor is held in Bend when life emblems are awarded Earl Thatcher, George Ravecraft, Howard Hyde and J. L. Carter.

N. G. Gilbert returns from a California trip.

Walter J. Perry, forest service lumberman, returns from the Ochoco forest where he assisted in selective marking of timber.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (Jan. 9, 1920)

Comparative prices in Bend stores are made the object of a study by members of the Percy A. Stevens American legion post.

John M. Perry prepares to leave Bend to begin the drilling of an artesian well at Fort Rock for the forest service.

The survey is completed for the 25-mile stretch of the Bend-Sparks Lake road, announces the forest service.

T. W. Triplett goes to Portland on business.

Cornett Placed On Committees

Marshall Cornett, state senator from the 17th senatorial district, has been appointed to membership in five important state senate committees, it was reported from Salem today.

Sen. Cornett, whose home is in Klamath Falls, represents Deschutes, Jefferson, Crook, Klamath and Lake counties.

Besides being a member of five committees in the senate, Sen. Cornett was chosen chairman of the roads and highway committee. Other committees on which he will serve are the forestry and forest products, game, irrigation and drainage and resolutions.

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Republicans Hold Meeting in Bend

Laws governing social security should be broadened and strengthened, the Deschutes county republican central committee decided at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Stella Pearl Runge, 513 Newport, on Friday night. A resolution to that effect was adopted and the secretary was instructed to write to representatives and senators from Oregon.

Those present were M. A. Lynch, chairman, Redmond; Leslie Ross, secretary; Clyde McKay, Ken Moody, Dr. H. C. Staples, Mrs. Dol Hale, Earl Rodman and Mrs. Runge.

Former Bend Girl Dies in Winfield

Death this morning in Winfield, Kans., of Sgt. Phyllis Ormiston of the Air Wacs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ormiston of Eugene, former Bend resident, was learned here in a telegram received by the girl's grandfather, Charles D. Brown.

Stationed in Winfield, Phyllis had been ill for only a short time. Phyllis was a granddaughter of Mrs. Daisy Brown, long-time resident of Bend who is now making her home in Eugene. Phyllis was born in Bend.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

Five Day Forecast

Five-day forecast ending Saturday night: Idaho, Oregon and Washington east of Cascades: Light rain or snow early in period and again about Saturday. Above normal temperatures.



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Hollywood Styled portraits by our trained photographers DO satisfy—make the tops in Valentine gifts.

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



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