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TEN TELEPHONE COMMANDMENTS

It is a good many years since the operator at the telephone exchange was introduced to us as "the voice with a smile." The friendliness and interest of the girl who answered your call was an asset to the telephone company.

Commercial organizations of the more intelligent sort recognize the importance of the telephone conversation. Personnel is trained to make the most of it, to convey the best possible impression.

- 1. Answer the telephone promptly, just as you would your front door.
2. Answer courteously, designating the department and name of speaker.
3. Have pencil and paper available for note taking.

These are excellent rules for anyone to follow. Adhered to they are bound to get results, whether in a municipal office or that of an ordinary business.

News that a full time juvenile officer is again to be employed in Deschutes county will be greeted with general approval. Whether the county should be given assistance by the city of Bend in meeting the expense, as is reported, is open to question.

But the idea of the full time officer is excellent. Its worthiness was proved in the period that a full time trained man was employed by the county. Deschutes county's delinquency record is by no means one to hold up as a horrible example, but it can be improved.

Rumors that the Japs are ready to quit, under certain conditions have revived the theory that they may "crack" when the pressure becomes heavier. Well, we don't think so. We can't believe that the Japs are any smarter than the Germans, who had to be beaten and see their country completely overrun by the enemy before they would give up.

With the opening of the fishing season the game commission has resumed the publication of its weekly bulletin in which reports are given concerning fishing conditions in various parts of the state.

Complaints that Bend's city park waterfowl are experiencing the delights of nearby victory gardens to the discomfort of the victory gardeners should bring grim satisfaction to the chained-up dogs of the neighborhood.

Others Say ...

LOCAL HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The Grants Pass Courier endorses a proposal of southern Oregon S. A. R. and D. A. R. chapters that the old Jackson county courthouse at Jacksonville be rehabilitated for use as a museum for southern Oregon.

Jacksonville itself is almost a museum piece, an authentic relic of a pioneer mining town. As one of the oldest settlements in the state, with a very interesting history of its own, there could be no more appropriate spot for conserving local history than Jacksonville.

For all our emphasis on Oregon history, which is rich and varied, we as a state and as localities have been quite niggardly in expenditures for its proper preservation.

The law empowers counties to establish such museums, and authorizes allotment of a certain percentage of the proceeds of sales of tax-foreclosed property to support of such projects; but not much has been done under this law.

be worked out to establish a creditable museum at Jacksonville.

Additional Waves Sought by Navy

After several months of limited enlistments, the Waves are accepting an unlimited number of young women between the ages of 20 and 35, it was announced today by Chief Specialist P. H. Connet of the navy recruiting station in Bend, Oregon.

"With the war in Europe completed, all emphasis is being directed toward a stepped-up offensive in the Pacific against Japan," said Connet. "Already some 32,000 patriotic young women are wearing the blue of the navy with the result that at least that many blue-jackets are now aboard ships and at advanced bases doing a job that only a man can do.

Connet states that of the two thousand trained each month, approximately half will be assigned to duty with the navy's hospital corps to assist in the restoration to health of current and future casualties resulting from the war in the Pacific.

NIMITZ ASKS SPEED
Guam, May 19 (AP)—Pacific coast shipyard workers today were urged by Fleet Adm. C. W. Nimitz to speed navy ship repairs by staying on the job until total victory.

"To speed the day of victory," he said, "I urge you bend every effort toward getting the ships repaired and returned to service without delay."

It Takes but One Arm to Hold a Hoop



THE AMERICAN HOUSE

By Virginia Chase
Early the next morning my father took Mr. Cutter back to the insane asylum from whence he had come.

"When his case came up in Trustee meeting, the doctors said he could be discharged if there was anyone to take the responsibility for him. I couldn't see a man kept in an institution just for the lack of a place to go."

"Of course you couldn't," my mother said warmly. She was feeling very benevolent. We were at home.

One after another, the members of the Sidewalk society called up to talk about the fire. "Yes, it's most unfortunate," my mother said. But secretly she was as relieved as they were.

Through no fault of our own, the American house was in ashes. It had been insured for \$2,500.

The day after the fire we girls spent every spare minute on the steps of the Town hall, facing the ruins, which were still hot and smoldering. Time and time again we shut our eyes and opened them. We could never get over the surprise of it.

"I can't believe it's gone," Sue kept saying. Her voice trembled. Sue had liked the American house better than any of us. She had a chance to run things there.

"It's gone all right," Julia told her. "And it's a good thing, too." Julia was, as always, practical. But she was sober, too.

Perhaps she felt as I did. Though I wanted to live at home, I didn't want to lose the American house entirely. I wanted to be able to go in it at any time. To listen to the drummers in the office. To smell Mrs. Guphill's bread from the top of the kitchen stairs while I waited for Jay. To get my hands on the register whenever I felt like it.

One day early in June, my mother and I were in the sitting room. She was sewing and I was standing by the open window. The air was warm and sweet with lilacs. The day was quiet, too quiet, I thought.

"Now Lucy," she began, "if two-thirds of twelve..." "Here's Papa," I said happily. He was coming up the street with a lively, jaunty step.

He came into the yard, looking very pleased with himself, across the piazza, inside, and over to my mother's chair. "Just take a look at this," he said, flourishing a piece of paper.

It was a check from the insurance company. A check for \$2,500. It was the first time I had ever seen such a figure outside of an arithmetic.

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resistant to fire and help prevent a fire from spreading if one is started, Miss Boeckll adds.

Bend's Yesterdays

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Ralph S. Hamilton, speaker of the house in 1929, leads the field of five candidates for the 1930 state legislature, getting 2602 votes on the republican ticket.

In Alfalfa, the grange meets and observes the birthdays of Master John Hohnstein, William Horsell, Rudell Beymers and Charlotte Hamilton.

Misses Eunice and Margaret DeBoer go to Portland to visit their sister, Miss Laura DeBoer.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

F. E. Pellet, Terrebonne farmer, appears before the Bend commercial club and asks the aid of that organization in fighting the invasion of Japanese on that district.

George T. Michaelson of Fort Rock, buys the "A to Z" grocery on Oregon street from McCushton and Johnson.

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

The Pilot Butte Development company reports that it has taken over the Hightower-Smith sawmill at Gist, and will move it to Bend.

Messrs. Van Matre, Fred Hunnell and George Gertson turn out their first batch of brick—50,000 of them—at their kiln on the old Barney Lewis place two miles west of town.

A son is born to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Smith at the hospital. J. I. ("Dad") West returns from Redmond where he installed a vault in the bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dahl and

Blasts Nazis



Following his capture at Traunstein, Germany, Gen. Nikolaus von Falkenhorst, above, former Wehrmacht commander in Norway, declared the Allies have liberated Germany from a "system of gangsters" and that the German army knew all along it couldn't beat the United States.

Redmond

Redmond, May 18 (Special)—Mrs. Ray Rogers has been elected as chairman of Redmond war price and rationing board, succeeding B. F. Beck who has resigned. His resignation will take effect on July 1, at which time Mrs. Rogers will become chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. John Berning have gone to Battle Creek, Michigan, to take delivery on a new fire truck, which they will drive to Redmond. Fire Chief Berning and Mrs. Berning went east by train.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Baker have purchased the former H. E. Van Arsdale home place just west of Redmond and have moved to their new location.

Mrs. Al Wright is visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bartlett, in Portland. Capt. Calvin Butler, son of Mrs. Mida Butler, who had been a prisoner in a German war prisoner camp since the summer of 1944, has been liberated. Word of his liberation was received by his wife in a cablegram a few days since, from the Red Cross. Mrs. Butler is making her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Morse, in Prineville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dahl and

daughter, Mrs. Elrod, are spending a few days in Redmond from their home in Orland, Calif.

Mrs. Edwin Brown and Naomi have returned from Portland where they had spent a few days with Mrs. Victor Reynolds.

Mrs. Ezra Ebby, of Portland is visiting her son, Herbert and family, at their ranch in north Redmond.

Redmond grade schools closed for the summer vacation Friday. Eighth grade commencement took place Friday on the grade school campus.

Mrs. Virgil Langtry and son are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cronin. Langtry, who is in the service, is stationed at Ann Arbor, Michigan. He was a former attorney here with the firm of Cuning and Brewster.

Mrs. Gordon Stromberg has been appointed by the elders of the Community-Presbyterian church as a part-time parish worker, to assist Rev. R. H. Prentice in the field and secretarial work.

War Prisoners Due Vale Region

Vale, Ore., May 19 (AP)—Vale expects her allotment of 250 German prisoners of war to arrive any day now. The labor camp is ready.

In the Nyssa camp, 500 Germans are being used as laborers in the beet and onion fields of that locality. They worked their first day Tuesday.

In accordance with Geneva regulations on treatment of war prisoners, especially equipped trucks with storm covers will haul the men to and from fields, and fresh drinking water is provided the POWs who will work in details of 20 under armed guard.

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