

White Praises 41st Division in General Order

Camp Murray, April 7 (AP)—Thanking his 41st division officers and men for their "supreme effort throughout a winter under canvas," Major General George A. White sent out a general order today which said "in proper time the 41st will be ready for active field service under any circumstance that may arise."

The 41st called to active duty last September, is built around former national guardsmen from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming.

"The first six months of active training have passed for this division," General White's order said. "Your unflinching morale, your capacity for placing duty above self under the most exacting conditions, your zest and application for long hours of day and night, command my deepest admiration for your soldierly qualities and the spirit in which you serve in this critical period affecting the future security of our country."

The order came as 41st division regiments began moving from Camp Murray to the new cantonment five miles south where more than 1,000 buildings sprawl over several miles of prairie. Movement of nine regiments to the new cantonment will take about two weeks.

In his order, General White referred to "exacting months of training" which lie ahead, "months that will require the utmost effort of every man." He also mentioned forthcoming maneuvers in California and Washington.

"Just what lies beyond that," added General White, "it is not given to any of us to know at this time. It is our part to face the future in the best tradition, hopeful for the best, yet prepared in mind and body for whatever may happen."

West Salem Scouts Enter Competition

West Salem, April 7—Fourteen scouts from the West Salem troop participated in the demonstration for scouts of the Cascade Area held at the armory in Salem. The troop placed first in one event, the chariot race. Emmett Dickson and Claude Boyd, the scout masters, accompanied the boys. The troop is sponsored by the Kingwood post of the American Legion.

Milk Shed Replaced
Lynn Sloper and Claude Boyd spent one day last week at the Clarence Schneider farm assisting in the rebuilding of the milk shed, which was burned the previous week when their home was destroyed by fire. The Schneiders were former residents of this city.

Leaguers Entertained
The Intermediate Epworth league of the Methodist church was entertained at a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lisle in Cascade drive Friday evening. The evening was spent at games with lunch being served at the close of the evening.

Guests were Lillian Turpin, Betty White, Esther Wallace, Nita White, Frances Michael, Pauline Cutler, Anna May England, Ardella Mitchell, Evelyn Hamel, Gladys VanHess, Jean Wolcott, Marilyn Ashcraft, James Monaco, Bill Barlow, Richard Lawrence, Jim Barlow, Lewis Nichols, Eddie Lawrence, Wesley Weibe and Jud Pankratz.

Cafe Ownership Changing
The sale of the cafe at 989 Edgewater street, formerly owned by Dorothy and Cecil Rew, was completed the latter part of the week. The new owners are Stella Bowman and Velma Kendall of Albany, who are closing the place of business at that address and moving the fixtures and installing additional equipment in the recently completed building at 975 Edgewater street, which they have leased with the tentative plan of sub leasing the upstairs apartments.

The new business which is scheduled to open April 12, and will be called "Our Place," will specialize in short orders and home made pies.

Club Plans Party
At the meeting of the Silver Thimble Sewing club Friday afternoon plans were made for a party to be given for the mothers and members of the club Wednesday at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Glenn Davenport. The club's second project has been completed and work is under way on the next outlined work. Members attending the meeting were Florence Cline, Lois Esau Phyllis Keith, Eunice Pankratz and Dorothy Anderson.

Mrs. Hoffman Hostess
Mrs. Elizabeth Hoffman entertained at a 1 o'clock luncheon Friday for the members of the Dine and Dine club followed by an informal afternoon. The hostess was presented with a gift of towels. Guests were Mrs. Ivan Wood, Mrs. Clifford Chaffee, Mrs. Roy Stevens, Mrs. L. Hartman, Mrs. Opal Gregg, Mrs. Harry Turpin, Mrs. Otto Peterson and Delores and Martin Peterson.

Mrs. Frank Hoffman and daughter, Judy, left last week for Valley City, N. D. where they will visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Pete Grotting and assist in the care of her mother, Mrs. Olura Peterson, who is critically ill.

Mrs. A. Henry, who has been a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Landry, left on Thursday for her home in Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Davenport



Canadians Take King For A Ride—King George (left) was taken for a ride in a Bren carrier when he visited Canadian troops in England recently. Seated beside the king as they rode over the testing grounds was Major General Victor Odium. — Associated Press Photo.

Hitler Following Expected Course

By DeWitt MacKenzie
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Hitler's attack in the Balkans indicates either supreme confidence or anxiety that delay would give the allies a chance to gain strength and get set for action—and likely he is im-

probably felt that it was too risky to allow this potentially hostile group to coalesce.

He also is trying to beat out American aid to Britain and her allies. Our help has been his greatest fear and his gravest danger. He has had an unexpected break of luck in the considerable hold-up of production in the United States and must be hoping that he will be able to crush the British-aided Balkans before American production can get going full steam.

and daughters, Maxine and Shirley, returned on Sunday from a two day vacation spent at Delake.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Mohney of Bremerton, Wash., are visiting over the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cline. Mrs. Mohney is a daughter of the Clines.

Wayne Henderson of Pendleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Henderson, spent a week-end leave of absence with his sister, Miss Clarice Henderson in this city. Henderson is in the air service.

Information Meager
Thus far news of this great offensive has been too meager to give much indication of how the battle goes. The Greeks appear to be holding gallantly and well at the point of invasion near the Struma river valley, but word from the north throws little light on the position.

There seems strong probability, however, that the German war machine will sweep swiftly across the open country in the northern half of Yugoslavia. Well-wishers of this big Balkan state must be prepared for that.

The proud capital of Belgrade, on the Danube, likely will be in the hands of the nazis within a few hours. In recognition of this probability the government already has withdrawn southward and is believed to be in Skopje.

These events need not cause undue concern, however, since they have been anticipated. Yugoslavia's main stand must be made among the mountains in the southern portion of the country, and the high command has planned for that. It is unlikely that there will be any strong defense of the basin of the Danube or the wide valleys of its numerous tributaries.

German strategy thus far has followed the course expected. Several independent attacks have been launched against Yugoslavia and Greek territory, after this fashion:

1. In the north a Nazi force has struck across the Yugoslav border from Austria into the valley of the Sava and is headed for the Croat capital of Zagreb.

Headed for Belgrade
2. Another German contingent has headed over the Hungarian border for Belgrade.

3. At the same time a second thrust at Belgrade is being made from Rumania.

4. From the vicinity of Sofia, Bulgaria, German forces are driving at Nish, and at Skopje in the Vardar valley.

5. Two Nazi contingents are attacking Greece from Bulgaria through the Struma valley.

The Nazi operations in Yugoslavia are calculated to gain quick control of the main railway system and highways of the country and thus pave the way for a drive down through the Vardar valley into Greece and against the great port of Salonika. The push across the

company agrees to secure a permit in advance of construction in every case where laying of new transmission pipe is involved and in all cases of service installations where cutting of hard surface pavement is involved.

Also it is provided the county will agree to notify the company in advance when there are changes of alignment in its roads, or vacations of its roads which involve the company's lines already located, so the company will have notice and time to make necessary changes in its lines without disruption of service to customers.

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State Takes Over N. Santiam Road

The county court was in receipt today of a copy of a letter transmitted by Oscar Cutler, market road engineer of the state highway department, to Chief Engineer R. H. Baldock, in which Cutler advised Baldock of the courts of Linn and Marion counties signing agreements to turn the North Santiam highway from Detroit to the South highway over to the state.

Cutler has agreed to go up the highway in a few days with court members to look over the situation as to encroachments.

In his letter to Baldock, Cutler says Marion county has requested that survey stakes be set along the highway to mark off the right of way and particularly to show where encroachments on the highway exist in both counties. The state will not accept the highway until encroachments are removed and Marion county has not the engineering facilities to mark off the highway. Permanent grade stakes also will distinctly mark the highway for the future and prevent further encroachments.

The county also has agreed to furnish the state with photostatic copies of all right of way agreements affecting the highway in the section under consideration. There are encroachments in each county which will require clearing up before the highway is formally accepted for maintenance by the state.

Husband Kills Wife, Then Self
The Dalles, Ore., April 7 (AP)—A husband who laid in wait with field glasses and a pistol, shot and killed his 23-year-old estranged wife and then committed suicide last night, Sheriff Harold Sexton reported today.

Mrs. Naomi Moore, the mother of a 2½-year-old girl, was shot at least four times as she fled from a two room house she occupied on the Edgar Taylor ranch in the Shadybrook district two miles west of Tygh Valley, Sexton said.

Her husband, Clifford A. Moore, 26, who had been away from the valley since last summer, then turned the gun on himself. His daughter, Ruth Anne, who was in the house, was not harmed.

Sexton said Moore apparently had watched the house with field glasses while awaiting the return of Mrs. Moore from the Taylor home, 200 yards away, where she cared for the Taylor children.

District Attorney Malcolm Wilkinson said Mrs. Moore had filed a divorce action against her husband. She was the daughter of B. H. Grady, Wasco.

Bulgarian border also are aimed at Salonika.

Salonika is the vital objective of the moment, and therefore the vital point of defense for the allies. This big port not only is the rail head for most of the important railways of the Balkans, but it gives Yugoslavia her sole access to the outside world not dominated by the axis powers.

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Kay Mill Soon To Finish Second Big Contract

The Kay Woolen mill of Salem will complete its second defense contract for 30,000 heavy army blankets within the next two or three weeks, K. H. Pickens, secretary and treasurer of the company, revealed today.

The mill, which contracted for three blanket orders totaling more than \$410,000, recently received orders for the third assignment of the olive drab blankets, this time for 15,000 of them.

The carding room, considered the "bottleneck" of the plant, was running three eight-hour shifts today, as the 160 plant workers rushed the present job toward completion.

Approximately 400 blankets a day are being turned out by the plant, using wool at the rate of more than a half million pounds a day. The wool is all domestic clip, with about 40 per cent of it coming from Willamette valley sheep and the remainder from other parts of the northwest. Many plants are using foreign wool from Australia, piled up in this country and owned by the British government, but the local plant uses no foreign wool at all, Pickens said.

The blankets are 66 inches wide and 84 inches long, and each weighs three and three-quarters pounds.

The Kay mill is handling the largest defense project so far let to a Salem firm, and the plant has expanded its facilities from 140 to the present 160 men. Pickens said that the bottleneck that has developed in the carding room, resulting in the three-shift plan, was because the mill was built to handle only one shift. By stepping up the carding room hours the rest of the mill has been able to turn out blankets faster than at any previous time.

Two More Weeks of Training School

Independence—Independence vocational training school will be continued for another two weeks, according to announcement made by Lyle Storey, instructor, Friday.

The classes provide training for young men who have completed high school courses and are between the ages of 17 and 25 years. Classes are held in automobile and metal work five nights each week for a three-hour period.



Hot Soup vs. Cold Rain—United Auto Workers' pickets took time off from the picket line during a cold rain to warm themselves at an improvised stove and get not bean soup as the strike continued at Ford River Rouge plant at Detroit. — Associated Press Photo.

Johnson Signs Yakima Contract

Yakima, Wash., April 7 (AP)—Bill Johnson, pitcher-outfielder, has returned his signed contract to the Yakima Pippins, Business Manager Ken Hodges said today.

Hodges said, however, that Third-Base man Walter Blies and Rookie Carl McConnell had not signed yet. McConnell will not sign until he gets leave of absence from a rail-

road in California for which he works, and Blies may go over to Bellingham in the Northwest Semi-Pro league.

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Hull Asserts Russian Pact Encouraging

Washington, April 7 (AP)—The friendship and non-aggression pact which Russia and Yugoslavia signed just before Germany's invasion of the Balkan nation was termed encouraging today by Secretary Hull.

The secretary of state said that the Russian-Yugoslav agreement made clear that an increasing number of nations were becoming acutely aware of the world nature of what he called a movement of conquest of people by force.

He declined to interpret the pact except to say that it apparently spoke for itself and that he considered it encouraging.

His assertion was the second favorable comment toward Russia by a high state department official in recent weeks.

On March 25, Sumner Welles, then acting secretary of state, formally applauded Soviet Russia in joining Turkey in a statement of "comprehensive neutrality" in the event that Turkey entered the war.

Hull today also termed as important a statement by Marshal Henry Pétain, chief of the French state, that France's honor required that she take no action against a former ally.

In his comment on the Russo-Yugoslav pact, Hull declared that the pact made it clear that as the forces of invasion moved further across the earth an increasing number of nations now have been made acutely aware of the world nature of this movement of conquest of people by force.

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