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Six Years More of War?

Without venturing an opinion as to how long the war against Germany will last, Vice Admiral Frederick J. Horne revealed at Secretary Knox's conference yesterday that the navy is planning for the continuance of hostilities against Japan for at least six more years, and indicated that it may be even longer than that before the Japanese hold on the far eastern empire they have seized is broken.

Admiral Horne pointed out that we have only begun to penetrate the outer fringe of the Jap ring of defenses, and that we still have "tremendous distances to go in the Pacific and we have to build bases from the ground up as we advance."

He also might have said what he implied—that the job of carrying on a six-year war involves a tremendous task of production of ships, planes, tanks, food, clothing, guns, ammunition and all of the other supplies and materials which are required to keep the military machine moving and fighting.

Even as he was speaking word of the American bombing of the Jap naval base at Paramushiro, at the northernmost tip of the Kurile islands, only 1200 miles north of Tokyo, was coming over the wires—news of the type which has sent American hopes of early victory soaring of late and has caused a corresponding slackening in the home production effort. Just because our long-range bombers are now based almost within flying distance of Japan proper does not mean that we are going to start destructive bombardment of that target tomorrow or next week.

We must, before our armies set foot upon the soil of Japan, first clear the way for them and establish communication and supply lines across thousands of miles of ocean dotted with scores of enemy bases, each of which must be destroyed. To do this will require a navy twice the size we now have and an air force correspondingly large; munitions by the hundreds of shiploads, and construction equipment by the millions of tons. All must be ready for delivery in advance.

We cannot allow ourselves to be blinded to these facts and the possibilities they involve by wishful thinking grounded upon minor victories of a purely local nature. The war is going well for us right now. But it is going to require hard and unwavering work to keep it going in that direction. It is the last battle that decides a war. And that battle is still a long way off.

The CAP Serves

Looking longingly at the sky in which they have no more chance of soaring than a kiwi, members of the civil air patrol are nevertheless contributing greatly to the war effort through transfer to active duty by those eligible and the remainder turning their attention towards recruiting aviation cadets and preparing them for the autumn when they will again have charge of a 150-hour basic training program for air-minded boys and girls in the upper classes of high school.

Officers of the Salem squadron are meeting weekly during the summer in preparation for the program this fall, which includes basic instruction by military personnel and faculty members of Willamette university. Rudiments in navigation, meteorology and military subjects are offered with the recruits thus being prepared in event of being called into service for their country upon reaching 18 years. No civil patrol member can go on active duty in any branch until over 18 years, but others, even classed as 4-F, may find in CAP an outlet for their talents for radio, mechanics, clerical activities and similar fields.

Now on the threshold of the third year, the Salem squadron finds many of its earlier membership commissioned in the army, navy and marine flying corps; others unable to meet the requirements for military service are instructors in other fields, while still others are connected with the CAP on active duty in many parts of the country.

More than 100 youngsters and adults enrolled during the winter, over 80 remaining when it was decided to take a summer vacation from strenuous work. Many who dropped out during the early spring have written back that the experience gained here has stood them well when called to serve their country.

Now under direct supervision of the war department, the CAP, well-knowing that as individuals there is little or no prospect of actually flying themselves, are giving of their time and efforts to better prepare those who will be in position to take advantage of the opportunity to train as aviation cadets and eventually be commissioned flying officers.

Experience Speaks

Contrasted with the sorry showing made by two gun-gang guards, who a few weeks back permitted a pair of convicts to surprise, overpower and disarm them and escape, the performance of Guard Captain Sol Worden and Guard Bert Dunham in frustrating the attempted break at the state penitentiary Sunday morning speaks volumes for the value of training and experience in the personnel of prison attendants.

Worden, who was seriously wounded by knives in the hands of the prisoners, and Dunham, who shot and killed one of the captain's attackers, both acted with the courage and decision which comes from years of experience in the handling of desperate, imprisoned men. Both are veterans thoroughly understanding their responsibilities and fully realizing their duty. Captain Worden saw previous service at the prison and has been there continuously since 1927. Dunham has been a guard there for more than 13 years. Both appreciate the need for maintaining discipline in the institution and for prompt, drastic action in such emergencies.

It took real courage for Worden to refuse to surrender the keys to the yard gate when threatened with death. And it took confidence, a cool head and a steady hand for Dunham to fire on the convicts while they were wrestling with Worden in the yard. It is with the idea of retaining such men as these that prison officials have been insisting upon the payment of higher salaries to guards, who are being constantly tempted to leave by higher pay on other wartime jobs.

4500 Soldiers to Mine for Metals

Washington, July 21 (AP)—Miners of vital metals are needed so badly that 4500 soldiers who know something about the trade will be mustered out for jobs in the larger-producing mines.

The disclosure was made yesterday by Robert P. Patterson,

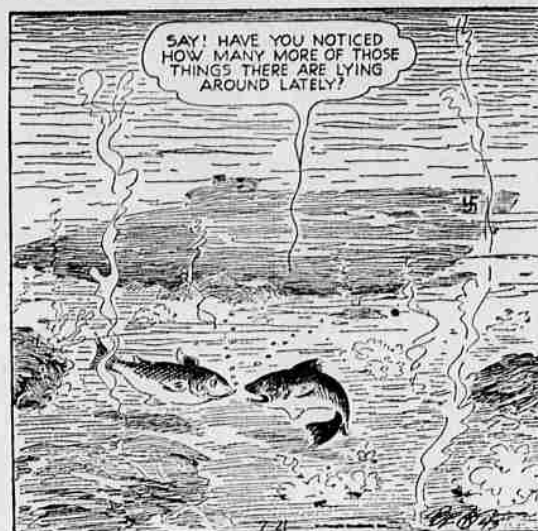
acting secretary of war, who said the military program was being jeopardized by manpower shortages in copper, zinc and molybdenum mines.

Soldiers will be released through the Ninth service command at Fort Douglas, Utah. Where possible those in the service less than three months will be selected. Any men slated to go overseas soon will not be eligible for release.

The shift from uniform to miner cap will be voluntary.

Animal Life

By Beck



Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

Our favorite waitress this a. m. was wearing a dress made from shower curtain material which she explained is a matter of protection from breakfast guests who eat grapefruit—when there is any grapefruit.

"Rusty" Schramm was a visitor from Corvallis today. Or, at least, he used to be Rusty Schramm but the pate which gained him the nickname of "Rusty" in the old days at Willamette has not only lost its rust but most of the hair which created the rust. Yea, time is taking its toll on Rusty's dome and the old-timers will have to think up some new nickname for him at the next homecoming at the old school.

The name of Frank R. Kellogg, the accountant, was advanced for our best looking man contest over the phone today by a cheerful female voice which assured us she thinks that "he's about as good looking as any man in town." Ah, there Frank! Incidentally, we also had a female voice suggest the placid

and classical phyz of George Flagg, new public utilities commissioner, for same honors. If this keeps up we're going to have to round up some judges and make a real deal out of this here procession of local Greek gods. And just to think when this started off, us and Mike Steinbock didn't even know we had any competition.

Problem Children

London, (AP)—These are some reputedly verbatim excerpts from letters written to rationing authorities who handle applications from expectant and nursing mothers for added milk supplies:

"Please send me form for having babies at reduced prices."

"I posted the form by mistake before my child was properly filled in."

"I have a baby two months old fed entirely on cows and another baby."

"Sir, I am forwarding my marriage certificate and two children, one of which has been a mistake as you will see."

"This is my eighth child. What are you going to do about it?"

"Will you please send me form for cheap milk. I have a baby two months old. I did not know anything about it until a friend told me."

It doesn't seem quite fair to leave the countenance of Honest Abe Lincoln on the phony penny which is the war-time excuse for the humble cent. There was never anything phony about old Abe and he didn't even need to be nickle-plated.

We note there is a prediction there may be a shortage of carrots. Which tempts us to refer back to the Rusty Schramm item.

Howell Prairie Pioneers

By E. B. Fletcher

Open Season

Mexico, Mo.—Hereafter, Harrison and Orville Barker will be mighty careful when they go squirrel hunting—and not climb trees to catch their game.

The Barkers saw a squirrel enter a hole in a tree and Harrison climbed after it. The animal dashed out of the first hole, darted into another, only to scamper out followed by a swarm of bees.

Orville, who escaped a serious bee stinging, removed 43 stingers from Harrison's body.

No Roman Candles?

Philadelphia—John Towbery is ready for the return of pleasure driving.

He painted the interior of his car top a heavenly blue, and added lots of stars.

He hooked up an insulated ice bucket to his heating system for air-conditioning, with a spigot for ice water.

John likes music, also. He has an automatic record player in the glove compartment that plays 10 polkas without stopping.

All he lacks is gasoline.

Open-Door Policy

Great Falls, Mont.—There were no hitching posts, so two cowboys tied their horses to the back door of a cafe.

The horses went away. The proprietor also went away—to ask police about getting him another door.

Not in His Contract

Abilene, Tex.—A fireman ran screaming from the burning home of Police Capt. Virgil Waldrop.

The fireman said he'd been creeping through the residence on all fours, to avoid as much smoke as possible—and he ran smack into a gaping-mouthed bear.

Mrs. Waldrop is a taxidermist.

The War Today

By DeWitt Mackenzie

An interpretative analysis of war developments by a famous Associated Press war correspondent.

The meeting in northern Italy between Messrs. Hitler and Mussolini could have brought little solace to the harrassed pair, and indeed may well have savor of a not too fond farewell to partnership in brigandage.

DNB, the official German news agency, has indicated that this parley concerned the invasion of Sicily and the "desperate onslaught" of the Russians on the eastern front. That would seem to be a certainty, and the issues involved are so clear that one can almost hear the conversation:

"I need more help, and need it quick," says Mussolini, trying to square his wobbly jaw and play the strong man. "The alternative is a separate peace."

"I'm much afraid, Benito," replies the Fuehrer, "that I can't provide any additional aid. The damnable bolsheviks have precipitated a crisis by their drive on Orel. As a matter of fact, they're on the offensive from the Arctic to the Black sea. You'll have to fight your own battle with what you have."

Both in Trouble

"But, Adolf," quavers the soft underbelly of Europe, "the only thing that keeps my people from revolting against me now and making peace with the enemy is their fear of reprisals by you. My troops are in mutiny in Sicily. Without your help I can't stand off disaster. Surely the might of Germany hasn't lost control of the Russian front. You can spare me something more."

"I can spare you nothing, my friend," replies the ace. "Strictly off the record my armies in the east are in a nasty hole. When we started our belated drive against Kursk on July 5, I thought we could smash the red lines, envelop their great body of reserves and annihilate them. With luck I could knock the bolsheviks out. That would give me a chance to help you and face the stupid pigs of Yankees and British who are destroying my resources by bombing."

"But the unspeakable communists stopped us. Then they counterattacked, and the counterattack has developed into a great offensive. Orel may fall at any moment."

"But why is Orel so important, Fuehrer?"

"Stupid! It's one of our pivotal strong points. It's an anchor at a crucial place in our line, and an important railway center as well. My whole front south of Moscow might have to be pulled back if we lost Orel."

Concern Justified

"Supposing, Adolf," whispers Mussolini, as he looks over his shoulder, "the reds should break your line, and drive you back through Poland. Supposing the Russian people in the conquered areas, and the Poles, should get out of hand and start to take revenge in blood?"

"Stop it, you fat offspring of a bachelor," screams the all highest.

"Supposing," insists Il Duce, "the Russians should break through and make a quick drive into Germany. What sort of terms do you think the axis would get from these reds we've been trying to wipe out?"

I couldn't hear the answer to this question and suspect that somebody closed the window of the conference room. The reply would have been interesting.

In any event, the Nazi chief's concern about Orel is justified. The reds are bombarding this strategic fortress with heavy guns from the north, east and south. A powerful bolshevik column has driven thirty miles into the enemy rear and captured the city of Ilinskoye.

Thus the Russians threaten Orel with complete encirclement, together with the forces of Field Marshal Guenther von Kluge. There are the makings of disaster in the situation.

Today we hear that the Russians have extended their offensive southward clear to the Black sea. Hitler's whole right flank is in danger—a position of the utmost anxiety to him, in view of the allied threat of invasion through the Balkans against the area behind this right flank.

New Long-Range Gun Shells English Coast

London, July 21 (AP)—A new German gun of exceptional range has shelled the English southeast coast three times recently from the French coast across the channel, it was learned today.

The gun is reported to have a greater range than any the Germans are known to have concentrated near Calais—the nearest point to England.

Serving Uncle Sam

Completion of 35 missions over enemy territory while serving with the RAF as pilot officer on a four-motored bomber has brought honors from the British to William S. Treacy, 27, of Huntington, W. Va., a nephew of Charles H. Treacy of Salem, and the bombardier was recently awarded the distinguished flying cross for his sorties over Germany, France and Italy. Treacy, graduate of the Huntington high school, made application to the American air force about four years ago but was rejected when the rule requiring two years of university training was still in force. The Huntington Advertiser, afternoon newspaper, in its issue of Monday, July 12, carried a front page story and picture of the pilot as follows: "Second Lieut. William Treacy of the U. S. army air force, son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Treacy, has been awarded the distinguished flying cross by the British government for completing 35 missions against the enemy while serving with the royal air force, his parents were notified today. He was transferred to the U. S. air force recently. While serving with the British he was a pilot officer on a four-motored bomber." The father of the boy is an officer in the International Nickel company of Huntington.

Edwin Eugene Powers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Powers of Aumville, had a narrow escape from serious injury while training as a paratrooper at Camp Gillespie, Calif., recently. He had made his third jump from an airplane and had gotten the opening shock at about 200 feet when his right foot became entangled in the suspension lines, and he was in the predicament of going down head-first. He finally freed the foot and righted himself, but spent some time in the hospital with a fractured leg. A letter to his mother tells of the experience.

Officers at Camp Lee, Va., announced Tuesday four Oregon residents were among the 25th class to be commissioned by the quartermaster corps of officers candidate school here recently. They included Laurel Manford Hansen, Silverton, and William Harvey Haskin, Salem.

Falls City—Laron Robinson, a sailor of Mobile, Ala., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Robinson on a two weeks' furlough.

Edwin York and Elmer Van Horn, navy boys who spent a month's furlough with Edwin's parents, relatives and friends, have returned to Stockton, Calif., for U. S. service.

Charlie Frink has joined the navy and will leave July 26 for his work.

Lieut. Raymond W. Coy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Coy of Dallas has received his navigator's wings in graduation services at the Hondo training base of the Gulf coast training center. He is now waiting assignment.

Mrs. Alma M. Damm, who lives at 1465 Center street, received a telegram Monday from her son, Harold Damm, saying he was safe and well and would probably be home soon. He was third class gunner's mate on the USS Helena and took part in the Kula gulf battle when his ship was sunk on July 5-6. Harold had been with the Helena since it was returned from Pearl Harbor after it was damaged there.

West Salem—Marion Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Anderson, has enlisted in the navy and left Tuesday morning to begin basic training at Camp Farragut, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. George Combs have received word of the transfer of their son, Verlin Combs, to a California base, where he will be classified for further training in the army air corps. Combs enlisted last fall in the army air corps and has since been in training, first at Fresno, Calif., and during recent months at Ellensburg, Wash. Prior to leaving for California, Combs has his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Combs, Miss Frances Michael, Merle, Wilma and Merna Combs as his guests over a week-end in Ellensburg.

Aviation Cadet George C. Merten, son of Mrs. Anne Merten, of 157 South Winter street, who has been in the army air corps in Texas since October,



William Treacy

1942, has now entered the army air forces navigation school in Hondo, Texas. This is the world's largest navigation school and is devoted exclusively to the training of air corps training. Every three weeks, after a staff course lasting 15 weeks, a class graduates there with the motto given it by President Roosevelt: "We shall carry the attack to the enemy." During the 15 weeks at the school the cadets travel approximately 15,000 air miles. For every five hours in the classroom on the ground, they spend one hour in the air. Previous to enlisting, Aviation Cadet Merten was aircraft electrician at Boeing Aircraft company, Seattle. He received his education in Salem schools, Mt. Angel college and Oregon State college.

Unionvale—Charles Launer, in the navy "somewhere," is well and is on night duty and likes his work. He presses flowers for pastime. A letter to his mother, Mrs. Carl Launer, was received Monday.

Lebanon—Mrs. Blanche Cozine Monday received a letter from her son, Vernon S. Cozine, a crew member of the cruiser Helena, which was sunk in the battle of Kula gulf, in which he stated that he came through safely. "I'm afraid you have been worrying about me but hope not," he wrote. "We fellows had quite an experience but won a darn good fight and came out with fairly small casualties, so we are mighty happy. Don't know where I'll be sent, but will let you know as soon as I do. This will do for now. Will write more later. Hope you are all well. Lots of love." The letter was written July 9. The battle was reported to have taken place July 6.

Silverton—Mrs. Sadie Barkhurst has a letter from her daughter, AFC Nellie Barkhurst, who enlisted in the service as a WAC several months ago in Portland, that she has now graduated from the administrative course at Commerce, Texas, and is being transferred from Texas to Sumpter, South Carolina, Shaw field.

Sgt. Rudy Schenk, who has been hospitalized for a number of months in Australia and in California, returned home much improved Tuesday. Mrs. Schenk (LaForest McDonald), has been with her husband for several weeks in California.

Silverton—Staff Sgt. E. K. Burton, Jr., of Fort Logan, Colo., plans to be in Silverton for a brief furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Burton, who are meeting him in Portland today.

Chief Petty Officer Lisle M. Rice of the navy yard band at Bremerton visited at the home of his brother, Lloyd Rice here over the week-end.

Reginald Arthur Eshleman and William Pross Olsen will leave for San Diego and marine corps boot camp training on July 28, according to Sergeant Herman Doney of the local recruiting office. They were inducted for the corps at Portland. Eshleman was graduated from Salem senior high school this spring. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert B. Eshleman, 1080 North 18th street. Olsen is a 1941 graduate of Salem high. He studied for one year at

Willamette university while working as a service station attendant. His mother is Mrs. Cecilia B. Balensifer, 1675 Fir street.

Lyons—Cpl. Earl Helms arrived in Lyons Sunday evening where he will spend his furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Helms. Young Helms has been stationed in Louisiana. This is his first visit home in eight months.

Mrs. Clyde Bressler received word from her son, Leland Manning, who is with the U. S. navy and he is stationed at Whidbey island, near Seattle, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Brassfield also heard from their son, Bob, who is also in the navy and he is stationed at Seattle, Wash.

Scotts Mills—Sgt. Dee Chun with his father and sisters, Mrs. Eunice Chun and Mrs. Charles Stuart, left for Vernonia Saturday to visit another sister, Mrs. Jack Taylor and family.

Middle Grove—Tech. Sgt. Clyde Randall, stationed with the engineering division at Camp Bowie, Tex., was a recent visitor in this community, where he was the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Herndon and branch of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Will Scharf. Sgt. Randall lived here with his mother for several years and is well known in this community.

Mill City—Spending the week with his mother, Mrs. W. W. Allen and sister, Mrs. Vernon Todd, is Sgt. Robert Allen, who has been stationed at an army camp in Louisiana. He expects to be here all this week.

Also on a 15-day furlough, Sgt. Otto Plambeck, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Plambeck, who is spending this week with his parents. He arrived Sunday from his army camp in Texas.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Hill were Mr. and Mrs. S. Eliassen of Albany. The Eliassens accompanied the Hills to the Masonic picnic.

D. A. Cooley, boilermaker 2/c, petty officer U. S. navy, is spending his furlough at the home of W. B. Shuey. Cooley has been at sea two years, serving through nine major battles. His home is in Oklahoma.

Labish Center—Miss Marjorie Wanless of this community has joined her brother in the U. S. navy by enlisting in the WAVES, women's service of the U. S. navy. The report was received from the navy recruiting station at Salem by Chief R. E. Fallon, who handles the WAVES' applications from this area.

Miss Wanless will be assigned to the WAVES indoctrination school at Hunter's college of Columbia university, New York City.

Her brother, Clifford Wanless is a fireman, first class, now stationed at the navy yard at Bremerton.

Miss Wanless graduated from the Carlton high school, where she was captain of the basketball team, an honor student and active in dramatics. She attended Capital Business college in 1938-39. Since then she has been a bookkeeper for the Labish Brokerage company at Brooks. Active in affairs at the Labish Center Evangelical church, where she served as secretary of the Sunday school. She is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wanless.

Dallas—James Maxwell has received a promotion to private first class, according to information received by his wife here. Pvt. Maxwell entered the service in March and has been stationed at the army air base at Charleston, S.C.

Mrs. Ran P. Hall, hostess at Camp Adair, has received word of the promotion of her husband to first sergeant. Sgt. Hall is with the famous 15th infantry now serving in Sicily.

Jefferson—Leslie Riddies left for Portland Tuesday morning to meet his daughter, Betty Lou, who will arrive in Portland sometime during Tuesday night from Oklahoma City, Okla. Her grandfather, Master Sgt. Fred Thompson went to Oklahoma, and accompanied her to Salt Lake City, where he is stationed in the army and she came the rest of the way alone. She plans to make her home in Jefferson with her father and grandmother, Mrs. Fred Thompson.

Her father came to Jefferson about a month ago.

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