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For Value Received

Although it is not a recognized obligation of the Chamber of Commerce, that organization should take the lead in raising the money with which to wipe out the deficit of \$1200 incurred by the United Citizens' committee in its successful statewide campaign on behalf of the \$10 million building fund approved by the voters at the special election of June 22.

Of the \$10 million proposed by the legislature and authorized by the people, \$4 million was earmarked for buildings at the institutions of higher learning in Eugene, Corvallis, Portland, Monmouth, Ashland and La Grande.

Of the \$6 million apportioned to the state institutions for new buildings and betterments \$5,046,800 stands earmarked for institutions in Marion county, divided as follows:

Oregon State Hospital, for new buildings, cottages and facilities including heating plant, cold storage and water reservoir, \$2,774,000; state penitentiary, for two new cell blocks, a warehouse building for women, guards' dormitory, garage and other needed facilities, \$636,300; Fairview Home, new auditorium, patients cottages, new boilers, laundry building and other improvements, \$378,500; Tuberculosis Hospital, for additional hospital space, children's center, dormitory and remodeling, \$193,000; Woodburn Training School, additional cottages for boys, employees dormitory and other improvements, \$227,000; Hillcrest School, new girls dormitory, training cottage, cold storage plant and other buildings, \$160,000; School for Deaf, girls dormitory, class building, gymnasium, new kitchen and dining rooms and remodeling \$446,000; School for Blind, administration building, new kitchen and dining room, gymnasium, \$232,000.

Study of the foregoing will convince almost anyone that from the standpoint of benefits accruing directly to the communities concerned with the building program, Salem's assigned quota of the campaign expense fund was proportionately less than the amount assessed to any other city. Yet with all of the benefits to be derived from the expenditure of such a large sum in the community, Salem subscribed only slightly more than a third of its assigned share.

Angry Nature Worse Than the Japs

The greatest disaster the American navy has suffered since Pearl Harbor was not inflicted by the Japanese but by nature in the form of a tropical typhoon howling down at 138 miles or more an hour on Admiral Halsey's Third fleet between the Philippines and Okinawa June 5.

Battleships damaged were the Massachusetts, Indiana and Alabama. Other victims were the heavy carriers Hornet and Bennington, the light carriers San Jacinto and Belleau Wood, the escort carrier Bougainville, the destroyers John Rodgers and Blue, three other cruisers and seven destroyers.

The typhoon caught Halsey's force only a week after its return to action hunting the Japanese fleet. It swept directly over an arc portion of the Third fleet, whipping the sea into mountain high waves and tossing the warcraft around like toys, ripping off superstructures.

All the damaged ships, including the Pittsburgh, reached Guam, 900 miles away, under their own power and then the crippled ships safely reached repair ports. The crew of the Pittsburgh shored up the stump with timbers with only a quarter inch bulkhead between them and tumultuous water, toiling in knee deep oil and water.

Groups of warships were scattered 125 miles by the storm but it "failed to stop operations against Japan, and we continued our offensive action" continues the fleet report.

The typhoon receives its name from the Chinese tai-fung, meaning great wind. It is a tropical cyclone—a wind blowing circularly—popularly a tornado, but called in the western Pacific by the Chinese name. Its rotating winds or system of winds are usually violent in the tropics from 90 to 140 miles an hour with abundant precipitation, and usually have a diameter from 50 to 1500 miles, about a calm center of low atmospheric pressure.

This is the second time Halsey's fleet has had to battle a typhoon. In December, east of the Philippines, while returning from supporting American landings on Mindanao, his force lost three destroyers.

Battleship Oregon May be Returned

Washington, July 13 (AP)—The battleship Oregon will be returned to its home state after the war if Admiral Chester W. Nimitz wishes as carried out, Rep. Angell (R., Ore.) said today.

Nimitz, navy commander in the Pacific, "is most anxious to preserve the Oregon for return after the war to the citizens of your state," one of the admiral's staff members wrote Angell. Although no assurance can be made now, the admiral will make "every effort consistent with his responsibilities" to return the ship to its Willamette river berth in Portland, the aide said.

The historic old vessel was reclaimed by the navy at the start of World War II after being retired several years before and turned over to Oregon as an exhibit. The Oregon made a speed run from the Pacific coast around Cape Horn when the Spanish-American war be-

Shortages of Houses Brings Serious Threat

London, July 13 (AP)—"Vigilantes" who have been installing homeless servicemen's families in vacant houses in Brighton invaded London last night as housing officials called for a quick solution to Britain's home shortage to keep direct action from spreading "in a very dangerous way."

A soldier on leave, his wife and sick daughter were moved into an empty London house under cover of darkness and the leader of the vigilante group declared "We intend to act again tomorrow."

Dr. Alex Wood of the Cambridge housing committee told a meeting of the Association of Municipal Corporations in London the night moving-parties would spread if remedies were not found.



Report on the Americans

Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

This is Friday the 13th, but the first thing we did on leaving the office of our favorite paper this a.m., was to find a pin on the sidewalk, which same we picked up and expect it to neutralize the whole business for the day.

Folks in the northern part of town this a.m., could smell the delectable odor from the paper-mill which in some quarters is considered a sure sign of rain and by others a sure sign that they can smell the odor from the paper mill.

The Absent-Minded Banker

Ira Mix, president of the First National Bank of Independence, left the bank Wednesday morning to see a lady on some bank business. Soon after he returned a lady came to the bank carrying his hat. She asked, "Is that man here? I guess he forgot his hat."

Our favorite waitress today referred to the hosiery she did not have on as "nature's nylons," which same we consider a right pert expression in the premises. Incidentally we'd opine that nature doesn't do a bad job on a lot of same sort of nylons she made for the gals around town.

Novelties In the News

Meatless Friday

Tulsa, Okla.—Lots of things are left in post offices these busy days but Postmaster George Watkins believes the red point for absent-mindedness goes to the person who walked off leaving a good sized slab of salt pork on a writing table.

Lost: One House

Oakland, Calif.—Mrs. Plia Kligen-Smith wanted to avoid the acute bay area housing shortage so she kept her five-room hilltop cottage here untenanted.

Today she arrived from her other home in southern California for a visit and found the roof gone, the walls missing. In fact, nothing was left but a floor and basement.

More Help from Abroad

Sips for Supper in Salem Capital Journal had someone resurrect on him the old question, quote: "Was the first year of the twentieth century, 1900 or 1901?" Why not do as the Yankees do—answer one question by asking another? "Was the first year, A.D., the year 1 or the year 0?" Do ciphers ever start anything listed in positive numbers? "Was the year 10 the beginning or the end of the first decade?"

About time for the girls to be reporting on their holly-hocks.

A ban has been put on riding race horses around the country in railroad cars and one is suggested that wealthy families be barred from using their private cars for galivanting around the country. That's the way it should be, keep the rich boys and girls home to pet their race horses in their own barns.

The Waacs have lost their Hobby and Col. Hobby also has lost her hobby, the Waacs.

Children and Matches Cause Serious Fire

Portland, July 13 (AP)—A \$5500 blaze which destroyed two homes last night was started because three children played with matches in a garage where fuel was stored, Deputy Sheriff George Larson said today.

Six-year-old Donald Lovegrin and two playmates stamped on a small fire, Larson reported, but it flared up again after they had gone. The homes of Mrs. Stanley C. Lovegrin and Joseph Akerman were leveled by the blaze, fed by 100 gallons of oil.

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The War Today

By DeWitt Mackenzie

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

One of the critical and delicate cases likely to be considered at the coming clinic of Doctors Truman, Stalin and Churchill—physicians extraordinary to the world—is that of Spain, the problem being what measures are necessary to purge this proud and important country of the axis plague.

The way things stand now, it looks very much as though the cure of Spain's ills lies in a change of government. Support for that idea is seen in the action of a commission at the San Francisco security conference—the commission having voted that the Franco regime, because it had axis support in coming to power, should never be admitted to membership.

Now of course it would be easy for the big three to treat Spain's malady roughly. A lot of folk are asking why the United Nations should be considered in the case of Spain when we have just fought the bloodiest war of history to exterminate nazism and fascism. Why not use the big stick?

Answer Not So Easy

I'm afraid the answer isn't quite so easy as that. After all, sovereignty is the mightiest item among the many nations, great and small, which came so close to slavery at the hands of the axis. The big three undoubtedly would prefer that Spain cure herself. That attitude has been pursued even in the case of Italy.

Here it should be emphasized that there's a difference between "Spain" and the Franco falange party which is in power. The generalissimo consorted with Hitler and Mussolini throughout.

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AT ALL DEALERS



Firing Squad Kills Murderer

Salt Lake City, July 13 (AP)—James J. Roedel, 27-year-old Oklahoma city epileptic, paid for the clawhammer murder of Agnes Abigail Williams, San Leandro, Calif., school teacher told today, when a five man firing squad blasted him into eternity.

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the war—something which none of the United Nations can forgive. Apart from that Moscow won't soon forget that the Franco regime has been violently anti-communistic from the start and was pitted against the communists in the civil war that brought him to power.

Britain, while roundly condemning Madrid's dealings with Hitler and Mussolini, has more than once shown a desire to give Spain a chance to rehabilitate herself. Prime Minister Churchill gave an indication of that last year when he told commons he looked forward to increasingly good relations with Spain and to "an extremely fertile trade between Spain and this country (Britain)" during the war and after the peace.

Winnie Criticized That brought Mr. Churchill some sharp criticism from his own people, and his "kindly words," as they came to be described in the press, also caused some speculation in America and other countries.

British Minister of Information Brendan Bracken then issued a statement that Churchill's remarks were no different than those that he made on September 8, 1940, a few months after he became prime minister. Bracken quoted Churchill thus: "There is no country in Europe that has more need of peace and food and opportunities of prosperous trade than Spain. Far be it from us to lap Spain and her own economic needs in the wide compass of our blockade. All we seek is that Spain shall not become a channel of supply to our mortal foes. Even less do we presume to intrude on the internal affairs of Spain. British interests and policies are based on the independence

and unity of Spain and we look forward to seeing her take her rightful place both as a great Mediterranean power and as a leading and famous member of Europe and Christendom." So far as one can see, there has been no alteration of that British policy. If there is any difference of view among the big three, it likely could be met by a popular change of the Spanish government.

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DISCONTINUANCE OF SHORT OVER-NIGHT PULLMAN SERVICE AFFECTS . . . BUT IT MEANS MORE SLEEPING CARS FOR VETERANS

Operation of over-night sleeping cars from Portland to Southern Oregon points and to Coos Bay points will be discontinued with the last trip from Portland, Friday, July 13th and from destination points, Saturday, July 14th, by Order No. 52 of the United States Office of Defense Transportation.

The new regulations eliminate all Pullman sleeping cars operating for distances of 450 miles or less. The reason for this order is that additional sleeping cars must be obtained to provide accommodations for the returning veterans from Europe, who are reaching Atlantic ports in large numbers. These veterans are coming home for discharge, or for furlough before going on to fight again in the Pacific. They deserve the most comfortable transportation service we can give them.

No new sleeping cars have been built since Pearl Harbor. Over half of the sleeping cars have been in exclusive use by the military. But they were not enough for this new task. The O.D.T. order resulted.

While discontinuance of short distance sleeping car operations will cause inconveniences to many people, we feel sure that the citizens of Oregon will approve this effort to better serve the men from overseas to whom we owe so much. We know the families of these Oregon boys who are coming home will have no question as to the merit of this new regulation.

As far as Southern Pacific is concerned, our guiding principle has been "The Military comes first," and we are co-operating 100 percent in carrying out the provisions of the above O.D.T. order. With nearly 20,000 Southern Pacific men and women in the armed forces we, too, have a real and personal interest in the welfare and comfort of service men and women.

So you may know how this order applies to Southern Pacific service generally, we show below the Pullman sleeping car service on our lines which will be discontinued after the last trip from Portland, July 13th, and from destination points July 14th. Coach service will still be available between these points.

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