

Late Dr. Stafford of Oregon Aided in Atom Research

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Among the names listed in the long line of research scientists who brought atomic energy to public notice, we must not overlook the late O. F. Stafford, dean of chemistry at the University of Oregon. Dr. Stafford dignified the work of the university with much of a practical nature as well as many contributions to abstract research. One of the monuments to his studies is now nearing rapid

completion at Springfield, Oregon, in the shadow of the campus where Stafford labored for many years. The Willamette Valley Wood Chemical company was fathered at University of Oregon.

Farmers Asked To Stamp Mail

A campaign urging rural patrons of post offices throughout the country to place stamps on all mail was announced today by Carl E. Millard, secretary of the Rural Letter Carriers of Marion county.

Mr. Millard said one of the greatest problems of the rural carrier is failure of their patrons to place stamps on outgoing mail.

"When farmers place unstamped letters or cards, along with money for postage, in their mail boxes the money often becomes lost and the letter is delayed," said Mr. Millard. "Many times the carrier, rather than delay the mail, pays the postage from his own pocket."

"In any event there is a delay, because the carrier must buy the stamps and place them on the letters after his return to the post office."

Through the cooperative effort of United Air Lines and the Rural Carriers association, complimentary stamp holders are being distributed to rural patrons to encourage them to keep sufficient stamps on hand for all letters. The attractive holder includes space for envelopes and a pencil, and cites the advantages of air speed in the delivery of mail.

The rural carriers of the county are urging the cooperation of all their patrons with the reminder that "stamps on mail save time."

Catholic Pastor Host To Methodist Friends

The Rev. S. E. Fairham, superintendent of the Cascade district of the Methodist church, and the Rev. George Quigley, retired minister of that denomination, were entertained at luncheon Saturday by Very Rev. Frank Meyer, Catholic pastor of Wahpeton, N. Dak., at the home of Mrs. Ella Voves, 655 North Cottage street, Salem, where Rev. Frank Meyer is visiting. Rev. S. E. Fairham and Father Meyer attended the same grade school in Oakes, N. Dak., and Rev. George Quigley, while stationed at Bismarck, was an intimate friend of the Catholic pastor. The luncheon hour was pleasantly spent by the three clergymen in reminiscences of their former days together in North Dakota. Father Meyer is registered at the Senator hotel.

whom the secrets are safe. President Truman became heir to something else as great as his presidential honors.

Bradley Takes Job Wednesday

Washington, Aug. 13 (AP)—Gen. Omar N. Bradley, who bossed a million American fighting men to victory in Europe, takes over the Veterans Administration Wednesday under conditions that may put his popularity to its toughest test.

As commander of the 12th army group Bradley won the nation's plaudits. He came home a hero. President Truman promptly picked him to succeed 68-year-old Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines as head of the creaking veterans administration, which is becoming known in this alphabetical capital as VA.

Bradley eased into the seat Hines held for 22 years at a time when the government is under attack for failure to make proper provision for the flood of returning soldiers that will be loosened after V-J day.

He finds the VA short of help, short of hospital beds. Too, it's overworked, though most of its potential customers are still in uniform, not veterans.

Some brickbats will inevitably be heaved at Bradley in his new post. Hines has been frank to admit that large-scale discharges that should follow V-J day would tax VA to the limit. He has said the 19,000 workers the agency is now trying to hire—to bring its staff to 81,000—will not be enough.

A staff of 100,000 will eventually be needed, Hines has insisted. Hines has pointed out, however, that the manpower problem will be self-liquidating, since workers can soon be found among returning veterans.

Bradley will find a 40,000-bed hospital building program in progress, but the extra beds are still on paper, most of them are not even budgeted. He will have to find new medical and technical personnel to staff these facilities, representing a 50 per cent increase over VA beds now available.

Entertainment, band concerts, parties and furnishing cigarettes and candy are among the undertakings.

Oregon has one of the only two all-NSWV bands in the United States, 22 pieces managed by Department Commander Edward H. Shea.

Plans are being formulated for another Department of Oregon band concert with ice cream and cake served by Katherine Johnson, Zidonia Quick, Zina Hunter of Scout Young auxiliary; Nina Barton and Maud Hawkins of Beaverton auxiliary; Melissa Graham and Iva Mae Hardesty of James N. Campbell auxiliary, and Ida Mae

With the U.S. 33rd Infantry Division, Luzon, Aug. 13 (AP)—The Congressional Medal of Honor has been awarded Sgt. Dexter J. Kerstetter, 37, of Centralia, Wash., a cook's helper, who volunteered for frontline duty and performed heroic action April 13.

Kerstetter began a one-man blitz when the enemy stopped his platoon with rifle, machine-gun and mortar fire from caves. Sprinting through deadly fire, he blasted out one position with grenades and rifle, dropping down a cliff behind the Japanese and killing six of them. He then dashed through machine-gun fire, killed a machine gunner with a grenade and knocked out a mortar crew with rifle fire.

He then went back for more ammunition and treatment of a hand which had been burned on his hot rifle barrel. Seeing his platoon had been reduced, he led another platoon into action and killed three more Japanese.

He was wounded by sniper fire two days later. Now with 170 discharge points he is awaiting a trip home.

Capt. Patrick Kelly of Tacoma, Wash., was the man who originally granted his request to get out of the kitchen into the battle.

Jones of Farthest West auxiliary.

daughter of Capt. William Woodworth, the former Jean Bowman, at the forenoon workshop hour Sunday, August 12. Capt. Woodworth is home on sick leave for several weeks.

Christening Scheduled
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Watch Papers for Opening Date

Orchestra Leader Passes in Portland
Portland, Aug. 13 (AP)—Charles B. Hoffman, 65, orchestra director and concert violinist, died Saturday after an illness of seven weeks.

Hoffman was known particularly in San Francisco and Spokane musical circles, where he directed the Mark Hopkins hotel orchestra and the Spokane natatorium park dance orchestra. He started his musical career at the age of seven.

He is survived by a sister, Mrs. R. A. Taylor of Klamath Falls.

Ethics Came First
The release of this energy and its application to practical purposes was delayed by two very important considerations. First—how shall we control it, once its power is tapped through human mechanisms? Second—what substance (everything being built up on atomic structure) would provide the best open door for the exploring chemist and research engineer?

Dr. Stafford, along with many others of high ethical standards, felt the great responsibility that went with this matter of control, both physical control and later the management and direction of this terrifying power into channels of constructive activity. While this may have delayed many researchers the matter of costs involved was indeed a most fortunate stumbling block.

Finally uranium was selected as the material on which to experiment. The world was blessed when the United States turned out to be the only agency with enough money to proceed. The late President Roosevelt had the vision to gather together a group of those who felt that they had the physical controls well designed. The use, and to relate, was the necessary destruction of human life in a war-torn world. The responsibilities of future management control fell into the hands of the only nation on earth with

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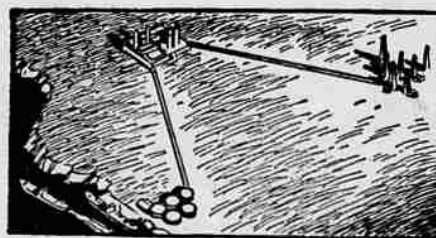
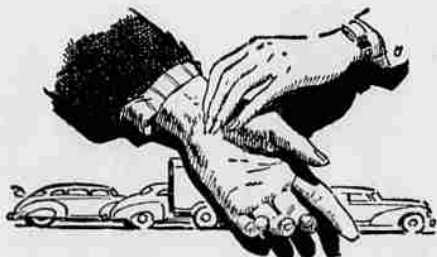
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