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ALL HONOR TO THE AIR-WARNING WARDENS

All honor is being paid this week to the hundreds of men and women, boys and girls in Coos county, and to the thousands along the Pacific coast, who have so steadfastly and without remuneration, devoted hours upon hours to the Air Warning Service. Theirs is a monotonous duty, sitting hour after hour watching for the approach of possible enemy planes but they have given of their time unstintedly and this week's recognition of their services is timely and patriotic.

It may be that not one of the thousands who stand watch between the Canada and Mexican borders, along the Pacific littoral, will ever see or hear an enemy plane, but the possibility exists and in this preparedness may lie our protection some time before "unconditional surrender" of our enemies, from forest destruction by fire or the bombing of industrial centers, cities and towns.

Besides the honoring of these faithful "eyes and ears" of the A. W. S., the week is also being used as a period for enlistment in this voluntary service by those who are willing to spend a few hours each month in helping protect our great country from attack. Help the United States and its allies to win the war.

Fragments of Fact and Fancy

It used to be said that tomato juice was the substitute for orange juice in an infant's diet among families of limited means. A high point rationed value has put tomato juice as a daily food beyond the reach of everyone. Yet we read of the army dumping 500,000 gallons of tomato juice in Lake Erie because they had let it spoil. That amount would have started many a baby toward healthy growth if it had been allowed to reach the public in unrestricted sales instead of being hoarded for the army unnecessarily.

Indeed, the waste of food in army camps has become a disgrace. It has been found to amount to twenty per cent by the Truman Committee of investigation. This careless extravagance is exasperating to civilians who feel the pinch of rationing and the lack of favorite foods on their tables. It also seems so needless, especially to former doughboys who remember the three-day assignment to K. P. as punishment for any soldier who left food on his plate or was guilty of its waste in any way.

As a child, did you ever stare at yourself in the mirror until you felt your sense of identity slipping and you had to break the spell by looking away where familiar surroundings restored the normal reflexes. Possibly that was self-hypnotism.

One's mind also veers away from the latest scientific pronouncement that planets exist outside the solar system and that "dark companions" have been proved to revolve around certain fixed stars. The stars are an unlimited multitude filling space—and extending beyond any limit imagined. If these heavenly bodies have satellites where life as known on our earth is possible, then the number of beings questing for knowledge in this universe is boundless.

It makes one's brain reel to think of the infinite and to remain sane one must put our earth back into the center of the universe, however false may be that conception, and direct our thoughts along familiar channels even as the child with the mirror cannot long endure the searching for the core of consciousness.

Those of us who are not natural spellers may be relieved on one score. Not much longer will we need to remember whether the "s" or "z" is the proper spelling of Mussolini.

The fate of Mussolini is unknown at present. Whether illness, arrest or flight has been his fate is important only to those who wish to see him suffer for the agonies he has caused others.

It is idle to speculate on his con-

TWENTY YEARS AGO

(Taken from The Sentinel of Friday, August 3, 1923)

President Harding Passes—Suffered a Stroke of Apoplexy at the Palace Hotel at San Francisco Last Evening and Died at 7:30 P. M.

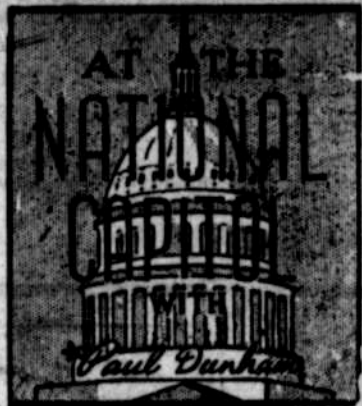
About one o'clock last Friday night, as S. V. Epperson was going home from work, Russ Johnson told him some one was drowning just out of reach at the city dock, and that he was going for a rope. Sam rushed down to the upper end of what and by leaping as far over as possible was able to reach the man and pulled him to safety. He gave him the name as Walter Berry and said he had fallen in.

The Coquille river claimed another victim Monday noon when Harold L. Ashton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Ashton, was drowned. The young man was out in a canoe, on the opposite side of the river from where the family resides, and just below the bridge. Just how the canoe came to capsize no one seems to know. Several boats and divers were summoned and efforts to locate him were made, although unsuccessfully, until "Shorty" Martin arrived with his boat. All efforts to resuscitate him were futile.

J. A. Lamb, O. C. Sanford and E. D. Webb take their sightseeing trips on the run. Leaving here about 8:30

science and wonder whether he felt any remorse over the slaughter of human beings for which he is guilty. One quotation attributed to him may be considered prophetic. When he wrote: "There are those who have to be crushed by truth before they can understand it," he probably did not vision the day when he would lie crushed amid the ruins of his dreams of grandeur.

The Japs are out of luck if they had made plans to fire our forests with incendiary bombs this week. Although Wednesday's rain was an unheard of weather occurrence for the first week in August and it undoubtedly dampened much hay in the fields it is also a heaven-sent safeguard against the burning of our timber lands.



Washington, D. C., Aug. 5.—With the reassembling of congress on September 14 there will be a renewal of the battle between representatives of organized farmers and union labor to re-shape the policies of OPA with respect to the fixing of prices on farm products and the freezing of wages. This has been made clear by the action of the national grange in protesting the demands of labor for a rollback in food prices. The grange is particularly strong in Oregon and Washington and is politically influential in 37 states. What is to say will, therefore, be given serious consideration by members of congress from agricultural districts who compose the so-called farm bloc and they will not rest content until some changes have been made in OPA policies.

The grange protest asserts that labor's demand for increased wages is inflationary and therefore to be resisted; that the difference between living costs and workers' income is increasing at the rate of about \$2,000,000,000 a month, and that a continuance of this disparity will bring about a further shortage in farm production. The grange agrees with labor on only one point, and that is the necessity of paying subsidies to producers sufficient to cover the difference between cost of production and the prices fixed by OPA. Leaders of organized labor favored this plan when President Roosevelt's subsidy program was being discussed in congress and to it the grange has now given unqualified endorsement. It remains to be seen whether this combined pressure will be strong enough to induce a reversal of congressional attitude.

Recent polls show Wendell Willkie not so strong as a G. O. P. presidential candidate as he was four years ago. This recent survey will be used by the Governor Dewey forces and flocks of the old guard as another argument to draft Dewey, "who does not choose to run." Politics

Saturday night they ate breakfast at Crater Lake Sunday morning at 7:30 and before eleven o'clock that night were back in Coquille.

The "shearing of the Shieks" has become quite a pastime over at the Bay and will undoubtedly discourage addition to the ranks of those parasites.

Ed Postal was so delighted last Saturday evening that he shaved off his goatee. The cause of his joy was the arrival of a ten pound boy at his home in the north part of the city about six o'clock that evening.

Lyle Noaler, who had been with the Standard Oil Co. here about three months, was promoted last week to the position of junior clerk at the Marshfield office. Lowell Simpson took the place of warehouseman here vacated by Mr. Noaler.

Our county commissioners are planning to establish auto camps on the highways of this county where tourists can stay for the night without trespassing on private property. The Norway Grove and another at Glasgow are being talked of.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Noaler, old-time citizens of Coquille, but who have not been here for 20 years, came in from Huntington Beach, Calif. the first of the week.

who think they know all the answers say this behind-the-scenes battle against Willkie being engineered by potent members of the old guard will add water to the wheel of Ohio's Governor Bricker, who so far is the real G. O. P. dark horse. All big shots in these parts privately say Dewey can't make it for the No. 1 spot. But they all agree he would be an ideal candidate for the No. 2 position. The boys who know their electoral college stuff are not overlooking the fact that New York state with its 45 electoral votes "ain't hay," and Governor Dewey, they believe, is the one and only man to capture it against Mr. Roosevelt, also from New York.

The recent report of the department of agriculture, which has it that a bumper crop even four per cent higher than last year, is assured barring unforeseen weather conditions, will not make any difference in food rationing. Agriculture department was mighty gloomy a few months ago over the prospects for this year's crops. Unseasonable weather plus devastating floods cast a dark shadow over the entire crop situation, which caused the department to predict a far below average yield this year. The thousands of Victory gardens planted by amateur farmers have proved more than successful and materially aided in bringing up the food score. However, much of the bumper crop will have to go overseas for both army and civilian needs, which will make it necessary for the home folks to take another hitch in the belt.

A House bill passed shortly before the recess and now in the senate would give the navy department permission to send Waves and Spars overseas for non-combat duty, which is now forbidden. Army Wacs have always been eligible for overseas duty, and the navy would like the same eligibility for their Waves. However, some navy brass hats say no to the idea, plus a whole flock of senators. High ranking naval officers say sending the Waves and Spars overseas would be sure to develop into one grand headache for all concerned. They point out that there is plenty of work at home for the Waves to do, thereby relieving thousands of men for overseas duty. Secretary of the Navy Knox is all for the idea of sending the navy gals overseas, but observers doubt that the measure will get by the senate.

President Roosevelt's statement of a few days ago for "bigger and better" income taxes didn't cause any hit with the togamens and tax experts around here. The statement caused those advocating a sales tax to perk up again, which they believe is the only remedy for more money. Many lawmakers are firmly of the opinion that federal income taxes are now as high as the traffic will stand. The tax question is bound to be a hot subject when the boys gather about again.

A new way of treating cotton with synthetic resins produces a fibrous composition material from which clothes can be made without weaving the cotton into cloth.

Poison ivy and many other noxious weeds can be easily killed with a spray solution of a newly developed chemical.

About Christmas Mailing Over Seas

The six-week period from September 15, through October 31, has been designated as the time during which all Christmas mail should be posted for Marine Corps personnel on overseas duty. Arrangements have been made with the Post Office Department for special handling of Christmas letters and packages mailed during this period in order to get them to men overseas before the holidays.

To facilitate this effort, senders are requested to mark their packages "Christmas parcel" and to pay special attention to the addressing and packaging requirements. Hundreds of packages are lost daily because senders do not wrap them strongly enough to withstand the handling through numerous postal centers and the heat of a ship's hold.

For the purposes of Christmas mail, the term "overseas" personnel means men who receive their mail through a Fleet Post Office at San Francisco, California; New York, New York; or Seattle, Washington. Letters and parcels should contain the name and address of sender, their name, rank or rating of addressee and the unit to which he is assigned, or name of the ship or Fleet Post Office through which the mail is to be routed.

Under postal regulations, Christmas parcels shall not exceed five pounds in weight, or 15 inches in length or 36 inches in length and girth combined. Not more than one parcel will be accepted in any one week for the same sender for the same addressee. All articles should be packed in metal, wooden or solid fibreboard, or strong double-faced corrugated fibreboard or strong fully telescoping cardboard boxes. Fibreboard or cardboard boxes must be securely wrapped in strong paper and tied with twine. In addition, senders are cautioned that delays caused by the necessity for censorship will be minimized if the wrapping is secured so as to permit easy inspection of contents.

Parcels should not include any weapons, perishables, intoxicants, poisons, or inflammable articles such as matches or lighter fluid. In general, the public is urged not to send food or clothing. Men overseas are simply provided with both, so shipping space for gifts should be used for other purposes.

Mail for Marine Corps personnel may be insured or registered by the sender.

These regulations apply also to men in the Navy and Coast Guard.

Rationing Calendar

(Clip and keep for handy reference)

Ration Book No. 3
August 31 — Expiration of red stamps T, U, V, and W (meats and fats). T series became valid July 25; U valid August 1; V on August 8, and W on August 15. Each weekly series good for 16 points.
August 7—Expiration date for blue stamps N, P and Q (processed foods). Blue stamps R, S and T valid from August 1 through September 7.
Ration Book No. 1
Sugar, August 15 — Sugar stamp No. 13, good for five pounds, expires. Sugar stamp No. 14 for five pounds, valid-August 16, good through October 31. Canning sugar stamps No. 15 and 16, each good for five pounds, expire October 31.

(Maximum 25-pound allowance of sugar for canning includes five pounds each from stamps 15 and 16, five pounds may be used for jams, jellies and preserves).

Shoes, October 31—Stamp No. 18, good for one pair of shoes, expires.

Fuel Oil
September 30—Period 5 coupons valid March 26 through September



Keep me clean by wiping me with a damp cloth after I have cooled down. Don't overheat me... turn me off if the toast is done.

BUY ALL THE BONDS YOU CAN

In War Any Waste is a Crime. Do not Waste Electricity just because no Ration Tickets are required!

MOUNTAIN STATES POWER COMPANY

30. Heating coupons—one unit, value ten gallons; ten units, 100 gallons.
Gasoline
September 21—Expiration date of No. 7 stamps in A book, each good for four gallons.

Tires
Cars with C ration books must have tires inspected every three months B books every four months; A books every six months. September 30 next inspection deadline for A book holders. Commercial motor vehicles—tire inspections every six months of every 5,000 miles, whichever occurs first.

Civilians who have not yet received War Ration Book Three through the mail should apply in person to their local War Price and Rationing Boards or on before August 10, the district OPA announced today. Those who

mailed the application in June, should present the identification stub which was detached from the application blank.

A new process has been developed for dehydrating and packaging molasses.

Wanted! Men And Women Who Are Hard Of Hearing

To make this simple, no risk hearing test. If you are temporarily deafened, bothered by ringing buzzing head noises due to hardened or coagulated wax (cerumen), try the Ourine Home Method test that so many say has enabled them to hear well again. You must hear better after making this simple test or you get your money back at once. Ask about Ourine Ear Drops today at Barrow Drug Co.



EVERYONE CAN shorten the war by keeping "eyes aloft" in the Aircraft Warning Service. You Can Serve by signing up during Aircraft Warning Service Week, August 1st to August 7th.

AND AS A SUGGESTION

On the long, hot watches of the daytime, for refreshment try a delicious wine "cooler" and on the long, cool night watches try a "keep-awake" of hot, spiced wine.

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Get your tires inspected early



Like to be able to forget about tire inspections until next year? You can do it—and avoid the usual last-minute rush too, by getting the job done right now. If you have an "A" book just stop this week and see any of our Standard folks who are tire inspectors. Then you'll be finished with inspections till March, 1944. It's a smart way to steer clear of that stampe of folks who put off tire inspections till just before September 30.

How to cure the creeps

Motor oils that creep away from hot spots leave your engine exposed to extra wear. That's why we give RPM Motor Oil a special ingredient that makes it stick like a Siamese twin to hot or cold metal. Even when your car is idle it stays put, gives you instant lubrication when you start.



Down in front

Don't let your front wheel bearings down. Every 5,000 miles they need a careful cleaning and greasing that we Standard folks are specially trained to do. For safe driving, let us check them next time you come in for one of our never-miss lubrication jobs.



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