

Get Acquainted With Russia --- Keep Your Shirt On

Some will criticize the statement that we should be going in the direction of a great independence and your very criticism proves the truth of the statement. From the cradle to the grave this is true. Let us look at Russia from the standpoint of the freedom of the people.

The history of Russia is very remarkable for a variety of reasons. One of the chief reasons is: first, her record for cruelty toward other nations is outstanding. The same can be said of her actions toward her own people. It will repay you to read over the past history of Russia. We are only going to consider the communistic part of her history. First, she killed 10,000,000 of her small farmers and businessmen and transported to the wilds of Siberia 10,000,000 more. (How many of these lived through the ordeal is very problematical). Second, there should be at least 4,000,000 old people every year to be taken care of and there are no old people visible in Russia. The number of Poles, reported done away with by said country, it is hard to believe.

Russia has about 180,000,000 people and one-fifth of the land surface of the earth and, with all that wealth, watch her antics in this war. The bear took over Czechoslovakia, Estonia, Latvia and on August 23, 1939, formed an offensive and defensive alliance with Germany (same bear). Germany invaded Poland Sept. 1, 1939, and Russia invaded Poland Sept. 17, 1939, and these two monsters took each half of Poland. The partition was signed Sept. 23, 1939. Estonia caved in Sept. 29 and Latvia seven days later.

Finland became alarmed at the demands of Russia and mobilized her small army Oct. 9, 1939, which was useless because of the size of Russia. Russia invaded Finland Nov. 30, 1939, and demanded of Finland her second largest city and a large piece of territory, with an indemnity of \$3,000,000,000. Finland appealed to the League of Nations and Russia was forced to resign. Germany helped Russia and Finland was forced to yield Mar. 12, 1940. Russia politely takes everything in sight.

June 22, 1941, Hitler attacked Russia. Hitler made the same mistake Napoleon did. It was immense distances and 200,000,000 people on each side of him, hostile peoples all around him. The transportation of men and material was 1500 miles. Just the moment Germany attacked Russia, we find here a nation, in the minds of a lot of people, that has passed from being the most gigantic monster of all time to the defender of oppressed people all over the world. The leopard, the skunk or the wild bear have still the same characteristics and it would be a good thing to just remember this.

It seems to be the actions of any nation in the future are best determined by their past actions. I think it is possible for nations to improve as well as individuals. I can see little or no improvement in Russia from any point of view whatever. She has no morals as a nation; whether this is due to the fact that there is no such thing as morals or right in her government, I am unable to determine.

To be continued.—Jas. Richmond, M. D.

Riverton News

Mrs. Kate McGee, from San Mateo, Calif., is visiting old friends in Riverton this week. She and her late husband, Jack McGee, left here for California about nineteen years ago. Mr. McGee was a coal mine operator here for around eighteen years. Their daughter, Esther Wilson, attended Riverton schools and now makes her home in Millington.

Mrs. Isabel Whittington, of Myrtle Point, sister of Mrs. Mettie Peterson, passed away at the home of Mrs. Harry Aber at Fat Elk last Thursday morning and interment was at the old family cemetery above Myrtle Point on Monday morning. She was the mother of nine children, only four of whom survive her. She leaves many relatives and friends here who mourn her loss. Mrs. Whittington was nearly 90 years old at the time of her passing. Besides many other relatives she is also survived by two great grand children.

N. V. Letson, C.P.O., and wife were visiting relatives in the valley this week. He is back from the South Pacific for the first time in over two years. While here they called at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. George Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Mac Munsen and Mr. and Mrs. Conard Bogard. They were on their way from Bremerton to a point in Texas, where he is to report for duty in the United States for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hepler and their little daughter, Arieta, from Molalla, were visiting at the home of his uncle, Ben Hepler, on the North

Fairview News

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Holverstott and children left Monday for Eugene to visit Mrs. Holverstott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Rankin, and also a brother, Dean Rankin, who is home on furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hunt and daughter are moving into the Yeoman house this week-end from Coquille.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Dorsey and children, Gerald and Charlene, of Elkton, have moved into their home, purchased several months ago from Jack Cardwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nicklaus and son, Edwin, left the valley for "destination unknown," in their trailer house last week. Mrs. Nicklaus' health is poor and they are seeking a place to locate in a higher, drier climate. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Frame have moved into the Nicklaus' house, which they purchased from them.

Mrs. L. E. Teeters is ill in bed. Her many friends and relatives wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. T. H. Benham and daughter, Karen, returned last Monday from a short visit to Eugene and Roseburg. They visited with Mrs. A. H. Norris and daughter, Shirley, called at the Ralph Zenor home in Eugene and at the Kenna Hughes home in Roseburg.

The contest at Sunday School closed last Sunday, with the side led by Robert Schragg winning. The losing side, headed by Dorene Frye, will furnish the picnic dinner to be held at LaVerne Park after services Sunday, July 22. The Sunday School voted to purchase the ice cream. All members of Sunday School and their families are expected to attend. The three highest in points and winning prizes are Mrs. Ernest Hatcher, Mrs. Amanda Johnson and Thomas McCauley.

At church services last Sunday Rev. Liston Parrish delivered the sermon to a nearly full house. The Young People's Choir sang, "This World is Not My Home," with Thomas McCauley doing the solo which was much appreciated.

Young Peoples' Choir practice will be held Friday evening at the church from 7:30 until 8:30. All young people in the valley are urged to attend.

Bible study and prayer services every Wednesday afternoon at the church from two until three. Bring your questions for bible search, study and discussion.

Ben Helverstott writes his parents he is allowed to state he is on the Island of Guam in the Marianas and has been promoted to staff sergeant and from mechanic to inspector, with an added stripe.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Teagarden recently made a trip to Brewster Valley where there resides a school mate of Mrs. Teagarden, Mrs. Ernest Moore. They had not met since parting in school days in Michigan several years ago when they were 14 and 16 years old. A grand visit was had in a few hours of talking over old times and friends.

Mrs. L. E. Teeters and Francis McCarthy spent a day with Mrs. Winnie Pike when she was out to her ranch a couple of weeks ago.

Visiting at the Bill Noah home the week end before the Fourth were the Don Noah's of Bangor.

Here from Sweet Home for over the 4th were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Noah and children, Rose Marie, Kenneth and Gary; also Robert Langenberg, Virginia Langenberg and Mrs. Gilbert Spurgeon and two children. They are all relatives of R. M. Noah,

Bank road this week, and also with his aunt, Mrs. Wm. Roth, at Fat Elk. They came in last Friday and left for home Monday.

The little eighteen months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Hull underwent a tonsillectomy at the Belle Knife Hospital in Coquille last Saturday morning.

Mrs. Lorena Burns, who formerly lived in the Alpine house near the coal mine, had the misfortune to break her arm at Bandon last Wednesday evening. She lives in Coquille now and has been recently employed by the J. C. Penney Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Whitney returned to their home in Klamath Falls last Sunday, after having spent a week as guests of Joanne and Warren Smith here.

Mrs. Shirley Hatcher and two little girls, from Portland, have been visiting old friends and relatives here and in the valley this past week. Mrs. Hatcher was the former Grace Kight, daughter of the late W. W. Kight.

Miss Jeannette Danielson was dismissed from the Belle Knife hospital last Thursday and returned to her home below Riverton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lubert Bemetz, of Greenacres, have sold their ranch there and will move to Coos Bay the latter part of the week. They plan to take some little time in looking around, before locating again. Until they are permanently settled, they plan to leave their piano here in the care of Mrs. Brault, who is Mrs. Bemetz' mother.

Bill Noah, L. L. Bury and Ed Isaacson. They also visited the last of the week with the Leo Fries in Powers and were accompanied there by Dorene Frye who returned to her home here Saturday.

Townsend Club, No. 1, Notes

Townsend Club No. 1 met with about 30 present and the meeting was opened in the usual manner, three Flash bulletins being read. Business of taking care of the petitions was assigned to several members. The club members were sorry to learn that Mrs. Chase and Mrs. Gardner are on the sick list. We welcome the July family back to club attendance. Mr. Dale July received the door prize.

Sandwiches will be served at the next meeting.—Press Cor.

Again next Tuesday, July 17, between nine and four o'clock, an examiner of applicants for drivers' licenses will be at the Coquille city hall to receive applications for licenses and conduct examinations.

Another big dance at the Barn, Bandon's new recreation hall at the city park, Saturday, the 14th of July; Bum Gartin's orchestra. 11

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All Other Bonds	15,797,613.00	76,506,595.05
Loans and Discounts	None	1,007.50
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	72,696,567.75	51,465,484.54
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures	300,000.00	300,000.00
Other Real Estate	2,652,530.99	2,561,774.59
Interest Earned	1.00	None
Other Resources	1,666,533.27	2,401,015.84
TOTAL RESOURCES	230,278.90	599,334.61
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LIABILITIES		
Capital	\$ 4,500,000.00	\$4,500,000.00
Surplus	5,500,000.00	5,500,000.00
Undivided Profits, Reserves	6,153,581.64	10,006,172.06
Reserves Allocated for Taxes, Interest, etc.	\$ 16,153,581.64	\$20,006,172.06
Interest Collected in Advance	1,163,686.97	1,292,729.55
Other Liabilities	130,116.37	139,259.84
Deposits (exclusive of reciprocal bank deposits)	165,121.53	157,715.10
TOTAL LIABILITIES	399,007,900.38	464,194,540.90
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$416,620,406.89	\$485,790,411.45
DEPOSITS First National Bank of Portland		\$464,194,540.90
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