

Bare Facts From Bear Creek

The Column that's Different
(By Lana Leneve)

The hull of the old battleship Oregon floats in a sheltered lagoon of a south sea island. The dismantled parts were sold for junk to dealers, who in turn sold it back to the government at a nice profit, to be used for the manufacture of war material. That grand old ship, the pride of the citizens of this state, was thus needlessly sacrificed. At the time she was dismantled there were, and still are, tens of thousands of tons of scrap iron lying about in piles throughout the United States that would have answered the purpose for which it was wanted, as well as did the iron and steel taken from the Oregon.

Millions of citizens collected scrap iron when the government made a plea for it. A large percentage of it still lies rusting in unsightly heaps from one end of the continent to the other. Then came a plea for bottle caps. Millions of citizens saved them. We saved 60 pounds of them alone and waited in vain for them to be called for and sought to find out to what source to ship them. Then came the word that they were not needed.

But getting back to the "Old Bulldog," the Oregon. Her hull can still be saved and returned to the citizens of this state. An exact replica of the old superstructure, including turrets and guns, could be rebuilt and she could once again rest at her berth on the Columbia.

The old hull has served on active duty during the present conflict as loaded with munitions she was towed across the Pacific. And for the part she has played in the present war, she is endeared more than ever to the hearts of Oregonians and it is no more than fair to the memory of this grand old ship, to Admiral George Dewey and to the veterans of the Spanish-American war, as well as to the citizens of this state, that she be returned to her old berth on the Columbia, adorned with new superstructure, turrets and guns. Welcoming her back would not be unlike greeting a returned hero, a soldier minus a limb or arm, broken in body but not in spirit, one loved and honored by all.

Let's bring that old hull back home, for it is a fitting symbol of the fighting spirit of our navy, afloat for over fifty years and again called to the wars. Such an historic old ship should truly be preserved, to be loved and honored for all time to come to be pointed to with just pride not only by the present generation, but by future generations as well.

Why not start an active campaign, for a "Bring Back The Oregon" club or association and if necessary bring the matter before Congress? To be abandoned in an unknown lagoon in the far south Pacific is not a fitting end for such a grand old warrior.

The "unconditional" surrender of Japan is really a mockery. Ninety-nine per cent of the citizens of America are dissatisfied and disgusted with the bickering concerning the surrender of the Japs. American planes were fired upon, fighting raged between Japs and Russians, the Japanese delegation to the peace conference were "so sorry" and took their own sweet time about showing up. The emperor, by false statements to his people, made it appear that Japan had made a great sacrifice for the sake of humanity in surrendering. He appeared more than ever as a god in the eyes of his people, while if he had received his just dues he would have been hanged by the toes from the "honorable" dome of the imperial palace, so that all the yellow devils might see just what respect America and her allies had for the bucktoothed cur who is so sacred to them.

Personally, we should have liked to have seen "Bull" Halsey take over. We feel that there would have been less dickering had such been the case. There would probably been a few shells from our warships lobbed into seaports of Japan and a few bombs dropped to wake them up. The instant that war ends, politics start and generals no doubt receive their instructions direct from the White House.

When Harry Truman took over the reins after the demise of Mr. Roosevelt he made some very excellent moves. In fact, we had fully made up our minds to give him our vote if he is a candidate next election, but this downright sissy "unconditional" surrender stuff in which he played such a big part has given us again our original slant on him and our vote goes to any candidate whom we figure has real backbone. It appears that the blundering policies of the New Deal will never die as is demonstrated in the "unconditional" surrender of Japan. Instead of unconditional surrender, Japan doesn't even consider herself whipped.

When you need a gift—shop Norton's first.



Washington, D. C., Aug. 20—How open-handed the United States has been in furnishing lend-lease is illustrated by its first year of operations, when a little less than five billion dollars' worth of goods was distributed. Any people who said they were mad at Hitler or who were neutral received a donation from Uncle Santa Claus. Eighty-four countries shared in this potlatch; the only countries which were not included were the Axis nations.

The eleven principal items furnished by lend-lease were animals and edible animal products, animals and inedible animal products, vegetables and food products, inedible vegetable products (except fibers), textile fibers and manufactures, wood and paper, nonmetallic minerals, metals and manufactures, machinery and vehicles, chemicals and miscellaneous commodities. Almost 50 per cent of these items consisted of machinery valued at \$2,039,881,752.

The lion's share went to Great Britain, and next in line was Russia. The Chinese received \$67,218,000, while Australia took \$211,098,000 and New Zealand received \$82,000,000. China received the short end, but while war supplies were sparingly sent her, the Chinese received 1,500 pounds of aspirin and 11,200 pounds of bicarbonate of soda to relieve their headaches and stomach pains. And India, which was allocated \$267,271,000 and where starvation was said to be raging, also received 17,500 pounds of bicarbonate of soda and 37,634 radio sets.

Egypt, which was never quite certain whether to play with Hitler or the Allies, was sent \$449,374,000. Included in the benefactions of the United States to the Egyptians were 42,000 calling card cases, 976,869 woolen blankets and \$40,201 pounds of toilet tissue.

The Falkland Islands, the Leeward Islands, the Windward Islands all were included in the lend-lease orgy. Afghanistan, for some strange reason, received only \$14 in lend-lease goods. Nigeria, a collection of Negro huts on the west coast of Africa, hit the cash register for more than \$7,000,000. The African gold coast, Belgian Congo, Libya, the Cameroons—in short, every place in Africa held its hat in hand and received a contribution. Nor was any part of Latin America neglected, and The Netherlands and East Indies received \$24,000,000 just before the Japs conquered the Dutch colonies.

In that first year of the lend-lease program 869,354 truck tires were shipped to Russia, the United Kingdom and units of the British empire. Inner tubes to the number of 1,196,693 went to Russia and the British empire. Also there were sets of tires and inner tubes valued at \$6,177,000 distributed 50-50 between the British and Russians.

Leading up to the shortage of tobacco in the United States, Great Britain received all the tobacco shipments—176,722,000 pounds of flue-cured leaf tobacco valued at \$49,575,000, of Virginia leaf 5,174,000 pounds, 451,000 pounds of smoking tobacco and two million pounds of other tobacco manufacture.

Alcohol and related products went to Great Britain and her colonies and some to Russia. Tires, tubes, cigars, alcohol were all tight with the American people, as was nylon, yet Canada and the United Kingdom received 559,000 pounds of nylon, which would have made several million pairs of hose for American girls. These are only a few of the items that went abroad as lend-lease, all in 1942, the first year the program was in operation. Later everything was shipped, from more than half a million leather belts to Russia to aviation gasoline for the British. There was the diaper cloth sent to north Africa, the costume jewelry, the decks of playing cards. On calm reflection, it is now apparent that things were rushed away to dinky little insignificant countries that were not needed by them and which contributed nothing to the war effort, other than to pile up a heavier load on the American taxpayer.

No one imagines that Great Britain, Russia, China, Canada or other recipients ever intend to pay back for the billions of dollars which the United States supplied to arm the Allies and neutrals. There has been talk that lend-lease is a two-way street, but such figures as have been made available show that reverse lend-lease total is very small. The British, as reverse lend-lease, charged

ed for the stamps used by American troops in England, and the French charged for the services of longshoremen who unloaded cargo in France.

Mrs. Chalmers Writes of Sons, Sends Peace Poem

Mrs. Jessie E. Chalmers, former resident of the valley who now lives on a route out of St. Helens, Oregon, sends the Sentinel the poem printed below, and tells of her two sons in the service whom many people in this section know. One son, William L. Chalmers Jr., was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action in Belgium last Jan. 8, also the Infantryman's badge of combat. And he is now stationed in Germany, presumably with the army of occupation as he is with the 3rd division of General Geo. S. Patton's army.

Another son, M/Sgt. Clyde R. Schroeder, who is crew chief with the 571st Bomber Sqdn. of the 8th Air Force, has just completed his 30 day furlough and reported back to Fort Lewis for duty or for re-assignment. He wears the presidential citation oak leaf cluster for valiant work performed by his crew and also has several other marks of merit, and hopes to be discharged soon.

THANKS FOR THE PEACE

No fox hole bed to dig tonight
No sniper hidden in the trees
No Ack-Ack screaming over head
No smell of death borne on the breeze.

Oh! Lord, our thanks we give to thee
For peace, and freedom from all fear,
For promise of the time to come
When we shall meet our loved ones dear.

To home among the quiet hills
Where dwell the ones we bade farewell,
We come again, from far off lands,
And once again our thanks we tell.

To Him, who counts the sparrows
fall,
Who tempers winds to lambs, short
shorn,
Who mends and heals with blessed
rest
And gives a rose for every piercing
thorn.

May peace abide on every shore,
May love replace the flaming hate,
Teach us to live in endless harmony
For every wound may we help compensate.
Composed Aug. 16, 1945.

Wm. Sinko, Arago, Buys A Registered Jersey

A registered Jersey, Peer St. Mawes Noble 487,250, was recently purchased by Wm. Sinko for his ranch near Arago, announces the American Jersey Cattle Club, which adds that 36,000 Jerseys found new homes last year in the U. S.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been duly appointed Administratrix of the estate of ELMER WILLIAM CRUNK, Deceased, and that all persons having claims against said estate, should present the same, duly verified and with proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned at the law office of HARRY A. SLACK, First Nat'l Bank Bldg., Coquille, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.
Dated and first published; August 20, 1945.
3215 MABLE E. CRUNK, Administratrix of said estate.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR COOS COUNTY
LEOTA B. GATES, Plaintiff,
vs.
ANDERSON, F. GATES, Defendant

To: Anderson F. Gates.
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled court and cause on or before the last date prescribed in the Order for Publication of Summons herein, and if you fail so to appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, a succinct statement of which is as follows: That plaintiff be awarded an absolute decree of divorce from said defendant; and that plaintiff be decreed to be the owner in fee of the following described real property, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the West boundary of Lot 17 in Morris Subdivision to the Town of Powers, Coos County, State of Oregon, 183.7 feet South 16° 37' East of the Northwest corner of said Lot 17, which point is at the Southwest corner of a parcel of land heretofore conveyed by A. E. Adelsperger and Mabel Rush Adams to Fred Poore, and running thence South 89° 49' East 223.9 feet; thence North 0° 09' West 44 feet; thence North 89° 49' West to the West boundary of said Lot 17, thence in a Southerly direction along said West boundary to the place of beginning.

This Summons is published pursuant to an Order for Publication made by the Hon. L. D. Felsheim, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Coos County, on August 17, 1945. The date of the first publication of this Summons is August 23, 1945, and the date of the last publication of this Summons is September 20, 1945.
HARRY A. SLACK, Attorney for Plaintiff,
P. O. Address
First Nat'l Bank Bldg., Coquille, Oregon
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR COOS COUNTY
WILBUR W. COLLINS, Plaintiff
vs.
MYRTLE COLLINS, Defendant

To: Myrtle Collins.
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled court and cause on or before the last date prescribed in the Order for Publication of Summons herein, and if you fail so to appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, a succinct statement of which is as follows: That plaintiff be awarded an absolute decree of divorce from said defendant.

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HARRY A. SLACK, Attorney for Plaintiff,
P. O. Address
First Nat'l Bank Bldg., Coquille, Oregon
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that the Last Will and Testament of Julia A. F. Randleman, deceased, was admitted to record and probate in the County Court of Coos County, Oregon, on August 6, 1945, and that letters of administration with the will annexed have been granted to the undersigned; and that all persons having claims against the estate of deceased are hereby required to present them to me, duly verified and with vouchers attached, at the office of O. C. Sanford, Attorney, in Coquille, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.
Dated and published first time August 9, 1945.
Georgia A. Baxter, Administratrix with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Julia A. F. Randleman, deceased.
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NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, on July 30, 1945, filed with the County Court of Coos County, Oregon, her final account in the matter of the probate of the last will and testament of Callie Allen Leach, deceased; and that said Court has fixed Tuesday, September 4, 1945, at 10:00 o'clock A. M., at the County Court room in Coquille, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said final account and the settlement of said estate.
Dated and published first time Aug. 2, 1945.
2915 Ethel M. Leach, Executrix.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of Coos County, Oregon, as Administrator of the Estate of Lillie Stevenson, deceased, and has qualified as such.
NOW THEREFORE, all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified and requested to present the same to the undersigned at the office of J. Arthur Berg at Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.
Dated this 20th day of August, 1945.
GEORGE E. STEVENSON, Administrator of said Estate.



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