

Gerald Gregory Enlists In The Army's Cavalry Branch

Gerald S. Gregory, 18, who was employed as a truck driver after attending Coquille High, and the son of Mrs. Fairy Gregory of this city, enlisted in the Cavalry branch of the Army at Coos Bay on Oct. 11 and was accepted.

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Bare Facts From Bear Creek

"The Column that's Different" (By Lana Leneva)

Russia would like to take over the occupation of Japan and so would Australia. If we should move out and turn it over to either one or both of these countries it would mean the return of all our boys to their homes and their country. It would also mean a rougher and tougher handling of the Japs, for as we see it, neither one of those countries deem the Japs worth converting or saving and the writer is in most hearty accord with them. Money, thoughts, deeds and words spent on such a rotten race is a waste of time and effort. To school them in higher education simply means the creation of keener minds to plan our ultimate destruction. As far as changing their religion is concerned one might as well undertake the changing of the velocity of the wind. Kindness will never save such a race. There's only one treatment which they understand and that is beatings, insults heaped upon them, starvation and all the mistreatment the human mind may conjure, and that's exactly the way they should be controlled, for that is exactly the way they would have sought to control us were present positions reversed. And they demonstrated plainly their cruelty at every turn of the road during the past war.

There's plenty of religion to be taught here at home, plenty of poor children to be clothed and fed and furnished education, without wasting our good will on a heartless, heathen race. They are too calloused a race to be in the hands of Americans; Russia, China or Australia should take over. If they did, the Japs would have some of their own bitter medicine crammed down their yellow throats—a just treatment for such a rotten race.

The turning back of the clocks to standard time created a lot of confusion in this district. The head of one family set the clock ahead an hour instead of setting it back. Two families forgot to change the time altogether. Kids were late for school in some cases and early in others but the prize one of all was the head of the family who turned the clock back an hour without informing the balance of the family of the fact. Before retiring, his wife set it back another hour and to cap the climax, the son, soft-footing it home in the wee sma' hours, figuring his folks had forgotten, took his turn at setting the hands back an additional hour. To state that things were upset in that particular household the following morning would be putting it mildly indeed.

Cranberry season has been on in full blast the past three weeks. Pickers are employed at many bogs, while different picking machines are being tried out on others; while still on others the flooding and scooping method is being used. It is all a "lot of Greek" to the writer, but we do know that the berries are being picked, crated and shipped in a lively fashion, that each year sees more cranberry bogs coming in and that the cranberry industry is rapidly developing into a real industry in Coos county.

White in Coquille recently an ex-service man approached us, shook hands and inquired, "How's the old Jap hater?" We considered that a real compliment. Yep, he can say that again, for we hate 'em all, both big and small, without one single exception and are mighty proud of the fact.

The Pearl Harbor investigation goes on and on. Just who is guilty? The administration would like to, and probably will, pass the buck to various officers who were in command of the army and navy forces concentrated at Pearl Harbor. The fault of the whole mess lies directly at the door of the present administration. It was the New Deal that sold the scrap iron and the war supplies to the Japs, knowing full well that it would be shot back at them in the future. Even our spy system was screwy, our intelligence bureau not knowing the strength of the Japs prior to the Pearl Harbor attack. They bungled the job at Washington, D. C., but wish to pass the buck to the commanding officers on duty at the time. New Deal methods have been bungling and more bungling from the time of their creation. They were bungled under the administration of the late F. D. R. and Mr. Truman is following in his footsteps. The buck has been passed so many times that it has ragged edges and doesn't roll along as smoothly as of yore. It will really take an entirely new president and cabinet in the White House to iron out the wrinkles and rough edges, to eliminate the various thousand one bureaus and to establish Democracy as it was meant to be in the first place. "Don't Be Saps—Deport The Japs."



Washington, D. C., Oct. 16—The Reconstruction Finance Corporation is prepared to start on a grand lending program. If a city wishes to improve or extend its water system, build a stadium or school, or remodel its municipally owned docks, street-car system, gas or electric plants, all it has to do is to comply with circular No. 22 and RFC will do the financing. The general pattern of these proposed loans is somewhat similar to the program followed in the early days of the depression, when there were loans and grants; only this time there will be no grants and the loans must be repaid with interest.

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RFC is offering a program of self-help and communities will not have to look to congress for an appropriation under some general federal aid program. Each community will "be on its own." Of course, the program would give RFC the power, in a limited way, over any and all of the proposed public works for which RFC money is requested. RFC must approve the project, as to its contribution to the general welfare and determine whether the sponsors will be able to meet the payments on the revenue or general obligation bonds.

Quoting from the Brewers Journal and department agricultural statistics, Representative Rees of Kansas declared on the floor of the house that the sugar problem in the United States involves the question of whether the people want more sugar on the family table, or whether it is to be consumed by the breweries. Department of agriculture figures show that the brewers use 2,209,200 pounds of rationed sugar annually, and to this the Brewers Journal agrees. But the treasury department reports that 285,000,000 pounds of sugar and sugar sirups is the annual consumption of the beer makers. Both the sugar and the sugar sirups would have been welcome additions to the canning program of American housewives, Representative Rees said, and would have been an invaluable contribution to the available food supply. Coming from a prohibition state, Mr. Rees holds to the theory that beer is not a food but an undesirable luxury.

The amazing extent to which activities of the federal government overlap and interlock was disclosed by Representative Kelley of Pennsylvania in his comment on a move to establish a department of public welfare. The house committee of which he is a member has, he said, heard witnesses from 31 federal agencies in its attempt to tabulate activities relating to the problems of the physically handicapped, and had requested reports from 41 others. Not all of these agencies, of course, have for their main responsibility some health or social service activity, but each has functions bearing on the health and welfare of some segment of the population. Mr. Kelley insisted that even though they are doing worth-while things, there is a confused and duplicating situation.

Although the United States has 4,324 ships of all kinds, built at a cost of \$17,000,000,000, this country

is not as well equipped as foreign nations to handle foreign trade and more than half these vessels cannot be economically operated as cargo carriers. The question worrying congress is how to dispose of the less desirable types without too great loss and whether subsidies will be necessary to assure use of the better class vessels.

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Babe and Father Arrive Home The Same Day

A baby boy was born to Lt. and Mrs. Delbert Starr at Mast Hospital October 5. He weighed eight pounds, two ounces, and has been named Gary Craig. The mother and baby came home October 13 and the father arrived also, that day on a furlough from Sedalia Army Air Field in Missouri. At present they are with Delbert's parents.

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