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It's Up To Us

By next June a large portion of the 10,000,000 men and women who have made up the Armed Forces of the United States during the War Years, will be out of uniform. They will, for the most part, be eager and willing to assume their place in the economic and domestic picture that is America.

There must be a place for them.

Millions of young men and women went directly from high school and college, from their first jobs, from the farm, and from villages, cities, and metropolitan centers to the intensified training that made them into one of the greatest military machines this aged world has ever seen.

They were sharpened to the point whereby they discarded all postwar planning—they planned only to win the war. And a homefront, grateful for this bulwark of sturdy young manhood and womanhood, said "We'll see that postwar plans are made for you!"

How well did we plan? How well are we planning? How well are we going to plan? Answer these questions for yourself!

This is one problem that is up to everyone of us who has been at home. And we need the help of every service man and woman and their organizations to solve it.

Last week Ralph T. Moore, columnist for The Sentinel, state representative, and Bandon mill operator, cited the case of a young navy man who had stayed in Coos Bay looking for a job, and had finally left disgusted, to re-enlist rather than "endure" civilian life.

This week Ralph Moore's column is quoted extensively in The Oregon Voter. Although there may be several points taken in Mr. Moore's column that would be open to discussion, we commend a reading of his column for one attempt at reaching a partial understanding of the veteran problem. As far as we know, Mr. Moore's news writing on this subject has been a lonely voice crying in the wilderness of the Oregon press for some study of how veterans feel when they come home.

The Sentinel has had many veteran visitors the past few weeks. Their problems are all too reminiscent of 1919, even though there is a G. I. Bill of Rights.

Take Joe—he was 18 when he left for the army, his only work had been summer vacation occupations. Now he is 22, a man, and he wants to do a man's job. But what? True, there is a Veterans' aid commission, but that again, is a bureau with all its impersonal study of a man's problem, and Joe is 22, human, small town, likes to be called "Joe," and wants to be considered a "neighbor."

Elsewhere in this issue you will find announcements of what Coquille will attempt to do to help all service men and women. The list is not complete; plans are not finished; and solutions are not offered for individual problems. It is only a beginning.

The Sentinel would like to request:

1. A survey of all work opportunities for veterans in and about Coquille.
2. A survey of all postwar building projects, repair, and renovation to buildings, bridges, streets, houses, et cetera.
3. A census of business houses and factories of how many service men and women could be used and in what capacities.
4. A census of how many businesses would be willing to certify themselves as "training" centers under the G. I. Bill of Rights through Oscar Paulsen, state director of vocational education, and take apprentices for training. In this set-up, the government would pay part of the salary of the trainee similar to the money paid for college education.
5. A list, complete, forwarded to The Sentinel by every friend, relative, father, mother, brother or sister, of every man and woman in the service who plans to come back to Coquille or Coos county.
6. An economic survey which would make a scientific study of the room for expansion into various fields, and show how with help, new opportunities could be created.
7. A study of the agricultural picture of Coos county as a possible field for sound growth.

And as the thinking of the various committees now at work on the problem of re-adjustment of the veteran into the civilian picture continues there will be many more ideas.

10,000,000 men and women fought to preserve a democratic system of government dedicated to the right of each man to have "liberty, freedom and the pursuit of happiness." 10,000,000 of these men and women will soon be home to claim their inalienable right. Are we going to be ready?

If not there will be rabid moribund agitators who will point to "the efficiency of one-man government."

It's up to us all to swing behind this problem right now—workingman, housewife, business man, capitalist, farmer, and professional man.

Coquille and Coos county needs the young men and women who wear the "winged emblems" to help put Coquille and Coos county ahead in the next decade of great expansion and development. Let's all get together!

Critical Shortages

Speaking of newspapers, here's an item from the Hillsboro Argus in which the reading public should be interested: "Newsprint paper supply," says the Argus, "is more critical now than at any time during the war and some drastic curtailments in the way of service may be necessary without notice. In the meantime it will be necessary to make items as brief as possible, smaller type may be required and some items may have to be left out entirely. The co-operation of readers and advertisers in the emergency period will be greatly appreciated. The Sherwood Vally News gave notice last week that it would not be published this week due to the paper shortage." Don't misunderstand; the situation is not local at Hillsboro, but is just as applicable to Portland and/or any and all communities in the entire United States. —From Moore's Oregon Weekly

TWENTY YEARS AGO

(Taken from The Sentinel of Friday, December 4, 1925)

A community Christmas tree will be sponsored by the Lions club and the Business and Professional Women's club. A program of music and other features will precede the appearance of Santa Claus and presentation of gifts from the tree.

One of the most important deals to occur in Coquille for many months was that consummated this week when H. N. Lorenz closed negotiations with Geo. A. Robinson for the purchase of the latter's dry goods and gents' furnishing stock. Fred Lorenz this morning took charge of the store and will act as its manager.

Mr. Robinson's plans for the future are indefinite, but he hopes to leave by the first of the year for southern California and he and his wife may decide to spend the winter in Florida. An European trip is another possibility of the future.

A new organization in Coquille—the Veterans of Foreign Wars—will begin functioning tomorrow night when 75 candidates of the Coquille valley are initiated by a degree team from Portland.

The all-star football eleven of the county, named by "Brik" Leslie, the premier coach of Coos county, included: Nosler, Hitchcock, E. Keltner, F. Keltner, Myrtle Point; Wilson, Floten, Holmstrom, Coquille; Birdwell and Back, Marshfield; Selkirk, Bandon, and Smith, North Bend.

The following are members of the junior class play to be presented Dec. 17: Edward Johnson, Royce Richmond, Clarence Bean, Hadley Curtis, Harvey Benham, Harold Gould, Beryl Hopton, Marvina-Jane Hawkins, Opal Gaslin, Clare Bean, and Jean Young.

George Belloni of this city is one of the six chosen for the freshman de-

Blue Books Ready, Announces Supt.

According to an announcement issued by the office of the county school superintendent, Mrs. Martha Mulkey Purdy, copies of the Oregon Blue Book for 1945-46 have been received and will be available to schools calling for them.

Schools Closed Last Week
Schools at Riverton, Roy and Arago are among those which did not function last week because of the high water.

Mining Location notices for sale at this office.

bate squad at U. of O. from whom the team will be selected to meet the Rook debaters from O. A. C. George was the foremost debater in the Coquille high school the past two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Chaney returned home last Monday from their three-weeks' eastern trip during which they encircled the United States.

Accepts Job

Fritz Hull accepted employment in Jim's Market upon his arrival in Coquille with a discharge from the Seabees, after serving 24 months in the Pacific. Hull lived in Myrtle Point before entering the Seabees.

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