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OFF IN A CORNER WITH PHIL SNORT

There have been a number of requests to have the following article re-published. It appeared in the Grants Pass Courier in March, 1942:

Dear Ed:

On Dakota's rolling prairie, out in the middle-west, there roamed a mighty viking and his name was Sever Ness. Now Sever was two ax-handles tall and one across his chest, and every one who saw him stood in awe of Sever Ness. He'd grab a bull by the tail and throw him o'er a fence, a mule he'd take in either hand, they could put up no defense; he'd unbitch his horse from the plow and pull the thing himself and harrows he would drag along with unbecoming stealth; his arms they bulged with muscles, they rippled down his back, his legs were mighty pillars and his britches knew no slack; he would tip a box-car off the track and pull up the rails, he would round up a bunch of buffalo and tie them with their tails; he'd drink a gallon of alcohol, yes he would bi-gosh, and then another gallon just or blooming wash; he'd take his drinks at every meal, and also in between, and what he ate he didn't care if it were fat or lean. Sever had not a friend in all that land, in the valley of the Jim, and Frankfort was the town where he turned loose all his vim. When folks saw him coming, men and women shied and all the police took to their heels and ran away to hide.

All the above happened when Dakota was quite young, and Sever cut a mighty swath 'till he met up with laughing Olaf Djung. Where ever Olaf came from no one ever knew, but along 'bout 1890 into Frankforttown he blew. 'Twas said that Olaf's genial laugh was his only private pet, that he'd laugh all day, he'd laugh all night—I guess he's laughing yet—his grin would reach from ear to ear "continued" writ in back, no matter what was said or done that grin he'd never lack.

One day Sever blew into town, along with an awful din, when he ran afoul of Olaf and his everlasting grin. "Get out of my way" bawled Sever, "or I'll make of you a mess! Don't stand there a grinning at the mighty Sever Ness!" But Olaf only stood there, he didn't budge a dot, and the longer that he stood there the madder Sever got. Sever reached out a mighty pay to grab Olaf by the hair, but, alas, his paw came back empty 'cause Olaf wasn't there. Sever grabbed both north and south, also east and west, he grabbed above, he grabbed below and did his very best, but his mighty arms always missed, whichever way they swung, but not once did they reach the subtle Olaf Djung. Now Olaf thought it high-time to lay aside pretense, so he waded into Sever with an out and out offense; he rained blows on Sever's nose 'till the blood ran to his thighs, he jammed him in the belly and blacked both of his eyes, he tumbled Sever on the ground—oh how all his bones did hurt, yet Olaf continued to roll him in Dakota's blackest dirt; says Sever: "My goodness, Who are you?" when Olaf made a pause. Says Olaf, still a grinning: "I'm that guy you thought you was."

Over across the Atlantic waters, in Europe's unhappy land roams a maniac and monster with his murderous rapine band; they have violated every code of decency in war or in peace, they have devastated all the countries from the Baltic down to Greece. They have robbed and starved the people and innocence they have shot, their luft-waffes and their blitzkriegs have Russia on the spot. England's England's strength is growing, Hitler cares not a d—m, another country, more or less so "come on Uncle Sam! The Nazi's war machine is on the way its Swastika is unfurled and Adolph's army will not cease until it conquers all the world!

But Uncle Sam's hair is up his sons are on the way, his factories are building war machines and running night and day, he'll soon be

over there in force and help clean up that mess, then Hitler will be remembered as just another Sever Ness. PHIL SNORT.

CHAPLAIN RELATES AN ATTU INCIDENT

One day after Chaplain (First Lieutenant) Clarence J. Merriam of Shawnee, Okla., had finished conducting a service in a Japanese village, which had been recently taken by United States forces on Attu, the Americans began to search among the ruins for souvenirs.

"There was a big fat boy, about 19, near me, who also was searching the rubbish," the chaplain said. "Suddenly, enemy machine gun fire began cutting the tent to pieces. Of course we hit the floor against the fortifications until the fire ceased. No one was hurt but this boy beside me, and he was yelling and plowing under the debris like a mole.

"When we had worked our way out of the tent to the safety of a nearby knoll, this boy discovered I was a chaplain and showed me where one of the bullets had gone through his coat and trousers, ripping his woollens in places, and burning a streak across his back. "Then he looked at me very seriously and said, 'Chaplain, I was nearer to hell than I have ever been in my life.' He promised to get ready for heaven," Chaplain Merriam concluded.

School Pupils at Holland Buy Stamps

Pupils of the Holland school are quite proud of their record of having sold \$33.70 worth of war stamps for the month of February. School children throughout the valley are buying as many stamps as they can, and the Holland children are doing their share.

There will be an Auxiliary card party this Saturday night. Very nice prizes. All welcome.

CHURCHES

BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Young People's service, 7:45 p. m.
Evening service, 8:15 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8 p. m.

ILLINOIS VALLEY CHURCH OF SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS
Sabbath School at 9:30 a. m.
Preaching Service 11:00 a. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

You are invited to meet with us. F. W. Cooper, elder, Cave Junction.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Church service at 7:30.
Sunday School, 2:30 p. m.
Across from Legion hall.
Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Coor.

CAVE JUNCTION COMMUNITY CHURCH
Geo. H. Gray, Pastor.
Sunday School 10 a. m.
Morning Worship 11 a. m.
Attendance at Sunday school was 44, with two visitors. Present for the first time was Dennis Orie Lee and his proud parents.
Rev. Gray's text was from Mark 1:1-8, subject, "Preparing the way for the Lord" which with the following Sundays will relate to preparation for Easter. The special number by the choir was "Be An

TRACY'S STEAK HOUSE
Grants Pass

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Come to **OWL PHARMACY**
In Grants Pass

One battle won does not win a war. We've got tougher times ahead. Buy More War Bonds For Freedom's Sake

Overcomer." A trio was also sung by Mrs. Luther Sherier, Cleo Doncey and Anne Sherier. "Pause for a Moment of Prayer." Choir practice Thursday evening at 8 and Easter music will be in preparation so a goodly attendance is urged.

At 2:30 next Sunday afternoon will occur the Community church singing to which all are welcome, and special numbers are invited. The church auditorium was unusually attractive Sunday with the new light fixtures, the gift of the missionary society and installed by Rev. Gray. Thanks to all who have made this addition possible.

Thanks have been coming from several News subscribers for the addresses given in a previous number of the News of some of our fine young men in service, James Hines and Donald Beard. Have you written your letter? Why not?

Next Thursday at 10 a. m. the missionary group will meet at the home of Mrs. Burgess for work, and at noon will repair to the Watkins home for covered dish lunch, business meeting and program. All ladies are urged to come promptly, in order to complete the work for the day.

Word comes from Mrs. Vernon in Medford, saying she is helping in the Red Cross drive for funds, that Larry is more than busy with Junior high and S. S. activities, also building radios and airplanes, now working on his second fighter model within a month.

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Will Present
A PROGRAM
At the High School Gym
FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 1944
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KRIEGER'S

A Few Items of Interest to the Thrifty Buyer —SPECIAL—

- 4 Buckle Overshoes, good weight, fleece lining, in sizes 5 to 12, while they last\$3.79
- 4 Pair 16 in. Shoes to close out at, pair\$4.50
A real sturdy Boot for real wear
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LADIES and MISSES
Just received—A nice shipment of DRESSES, BLOUSES, SKIRTS and SWEATERS. You will need to see them to appreciate them, and at prices to fit your purse. Oh, yes, lest we forget—there are those nice SLACKS to go with the BLOUSES and SWEATERS.

KRIEGER'S

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ABOUT 1 1/2% OF THE MEAT SUPPLY OF THE U.S. IS FROM WILD BIRDS AND GAME

IN A RECENT ARMY "GRIPS" QUESTIONNAIRE SOLDIERS REPORTED COFFEE IS GOOD HOT AND ABUNDANT, BUT THE MAJORITY ASKED THAT G.I. PANTS ARE TOO TIGHT

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