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LETTERS

Excerpts from a letter from a young man who was drafted — written to his younger sister.

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"Dear Sis:

Dad said you were asking a few questions about war — why it had to be and why people had to die. Maybe I can help you understand. I never had the reality of war pushed at me until I was older than you. You probably wouldn't give it a thought if I had not had to go to the Army.

But one of the reasons I have to be in the Army is to fix it so other little girls and boys can play the game of war without thinking about the seriousness of war. Maybe Mother can help explain it to you.

We are here to make a fighting force that will stop any fighting force that would take some of our prize possessions from us. If someone tried to take your bicycle you would fight to keep them from taking it. We are doing the same thing, only the prize possessions are our freedom, our right to work hard so that we may have better clothes, better cars and the other things that we Americans value highly. The fighting in this case doesn't signify a black eye, some bruises and cuts, but involves these things and many more serious hurts and illnesses and there are many who do not come back from the battlefields.

We'll need help from everyone at home if we are to win this war and the future conflicts that are to come. You may think there isn't anything you can do to help. There are a great many things you can do. Mother can probably tell you a lot of things — such as helping Mother and Dad grow vegetables, helping can those vegetables, and — as you grow older — there will be many more things.

However, the most important thing you can do is work hard in school — try to understand our way of life — try to understand other kids that do not have clothes as good as yours — try to be patient with kids who are not as smart as you. Try to understand why we must work hard so that we can have nice things — how we must save if we are to have these nice things. In short — just try to be a good citizen by believing in our way of life, by being more broadminded without lowering yourself to a lower level.

We need good women citizens and by being a good student and trying hard you can make this country stronger by becoming a good woman citizen. Perhaps you can help the most by helping a good man to become a great man. Many women have helped to make great men. Sometimes it is hard and requires great sacrifices. It is the duty of the woman to help make her husband, sons and daughters better people. But more often it is a great love rather than a sense of duty that drives a woman to help those she loves. The more capable and talented a woman is the more she can help.

By being capable and talented I don't necessarily mean being artistic, musically inclined, or just being a good housewife. All these things help but if a person is understanding and can teach her children and help her husband do the right things in life, then she has helped a lot. The moral and spiritual values of life are not to be underestimated and a woman has a great part in giving her family this kind of strength.

The things I have written are pretty serious and may be hard to understand, but some day maybe you'll realize what I'm trying, trying to say. If you just listen to Mother and Dad and try to understand what they are trying to teach you — then you'll

Printing Week Honors Top Industry

Printing, a moving force for progress, and a rapidly growing and expanding industry, will be honored January 14-20 through the observance of Printing Week. This observance will take place throughout the United States and in Canada, and will serve the double purpose of commemorating the art and advancement of printing and the birthdate of Benjamin Franklin on January 17.

A wide variety of business and manufacturing organizations will join hands with booklovers, schools and libraries to sponsor displays and exhibits of printing, and to demonstrate printing's rapid growth and modernization. The story of the graphic arts is a story tracing the rise of civilization, itself from the dark ages, for printing has served as a recorder of progress and "a companion of achievement."

Says Col. George E. Sandy, prominent Portland printer:

"Your printer of today is not characterized by the green eye shade and spittle. Your printer of today is a stable citizen — a member of the oldest trade union in America — who enjoys high wages, excellent working conditions, who is thoroughly versed in his work, and cognizant of the fact that the graphic arts have done more to develop the educational, industrial and social standards of today, than any other medium. Printing has come of age, not only as an art, but also as a big business."

Col. Sandy's statement is further borne out by the statement by Craftsmen officials that the printing industry ranks fifth in the nation in importance, and first in salaries. Nationally, the industry is represented by more than 37,000 manufacturing plants devoted to printing (exclusive of newspapers). Printing Week will be marked by banquets, exhibits and displays, radio programs and municipal proclamations.

In Portland the highlight of the week will be the banquet at the Hotel Multnomah, Wednesday evening, January 17th, with refreshments from 6:30 and dinner at 7:00 honoring Benjamin Franklin and local craftsmen. Mr. A. R. Tommasini, University of California Press, Berkeley, will be the principal speaker.

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Because I have been unable to get a settlement with the City of Cave Junction Water Department for pump and well site, back salary and materials furnished over a period of more than 15 months, I feel it necessary to take some drastic steps to bring about a complete and satisfactory settlement.

Therefore, I hereby notify the Citizens that upon January 6, 1951, which time terminates sixteen months service as City Watermaster, there will be no more water pumped into the city reservoir until all due payments have been made to me, whereupon I request that my resignation be accepted.

And unless satisfactory settlement as formerly agreed be arrived at, the property supposed to have been purchased by the city for pump and well site will not be for sale.

Sincerely,

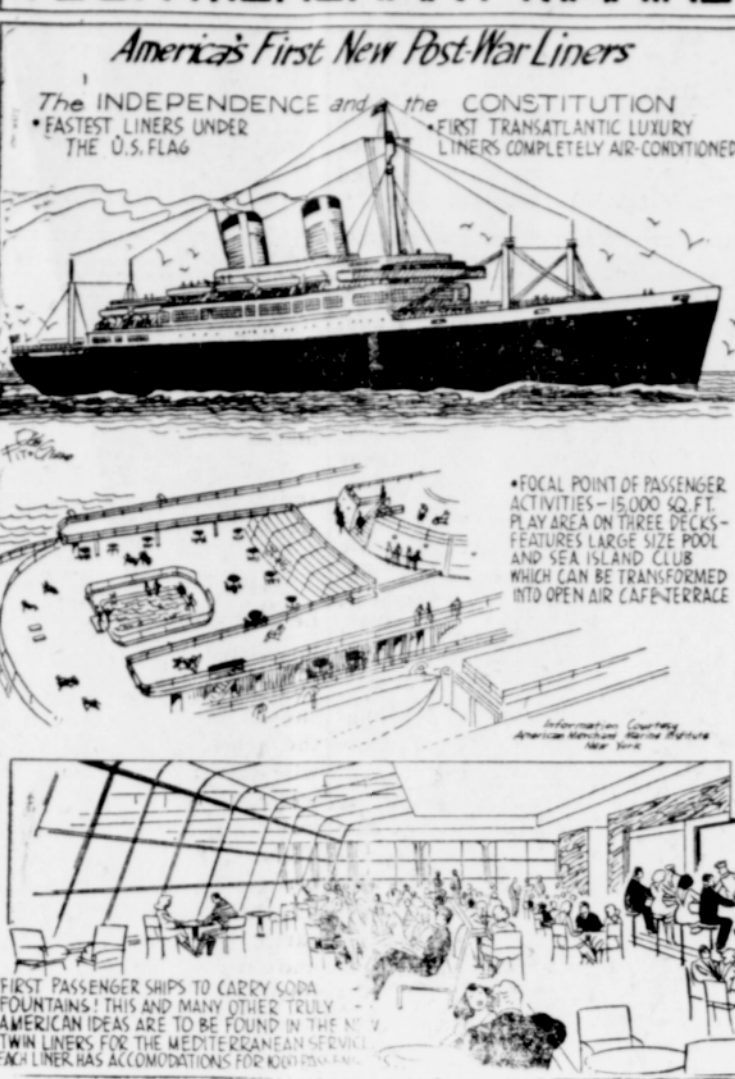
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learn many of these things. When you get older you will come to appreciate the great things that our wonderful parents have given us.

It isn't the material things (like toys, clothes, etc.) that counts the most but the things that they have taught us that means the most.

Anyway, just work hard at school so that you will be a good woman and help your family to be a good family and no one can ask for much more."

YOUR MERCHANT MARINE



Capital Parade

By MURRAY WADE

ACTION vs. GRANDSTANDING

The first real progress made toward shortening the present session of the legislature was accomplished this week in the senate when 37 bills were introduced after screening tests by the senate committee on education.

The bills incorporate a few of the numerous changes in the Oregon school system recommended by Dr. T. C. Holy of Ohio who was hired by the legislative interim committee on education.

The principal bills would: Let school districts adopt a permanent tax base, reorganize and enlarge school districts, recodify state school laws, improve teacher training, reorganize the department of education and have the state education superintendent appointed by the board of education instead of being elected by the people.

One of the bills would reduce the terms of members of the board of higher education from nine to five years. This was requested by Governor McKay.

ADVANCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

A bill aimed at protecting prospective borrowers from the wiles of small loan companies, who do not relate complete conditions of loans in broadcasts and advertisements, will be introduced by Senator Frank Hilton of Multnomah this week. Senator Hilton says some contracts he has examined exact as much as 36 per cent a year and unfortunate borrowers should be informed what may be expected of them.

Representative Francis W. Ziegler is preparing a bill that would require all revenue from state income tax be delivered to the general fund of the state. This would remove the temptation, Ziegler says, of special groups to shoot at the fund.

A two per cent sales tax bill is being drafted at the request of Sen. Rex Ellis that would finance the \$30-a-month increase in the basic school levy and pay soldiers bonus. It would apply to the retail sales of all tangible property with some exceptions.

AFL LABOR BILLS

Two labor officials, Sen. Phil Brady and Rep. Gust Anderson, introduced bills this week relating to public buildings.

One provides that all government agencies in Oregon give preference in employment and contracts to Oregon firms. The other provides that the state, counties, cities, school districts and other such agencies must call for competitive bids on contracts of more than \$10,000, except in time of disaster.

DIGEST OF NEW BILLS

Recently introduced bills would: Require money-spending initiative measures to state the maxi-

mum amount; get state veterans preference for veterans of Korean war and for all persons engaged in police operations under United Nations; require initiative petitions to carry signatures of 5 per cent of registered voters in each congressional district, instead of 8 per cent of those in the state at large; bar leaving key in switch of a car parked on street or highway; allow women workers becoming pregnant to collect unemployment compensation for 12 weeks; allow Oregon courts jurisdiction over husbands who leave the state to avoid paying alimony; revoke the license of a hunter killing another for 10 years; restrict the use of fireworks to public displays if supervised by local police and fire chiefs; create a one-house non-partisan legislature of 40 members elected on non-partisan ballot; make all hunters, fishermen and trappers wear license tags on their backs bearing numbers two inches high; allow night fishing for cat fish; make it illegal to hold in captivity any game fish or game animal; set up fishing areas for youngsters under 14 years of age; require all political campaign contributors to be identified by name and address, with violation to be punishable by a year in prison or \$5000 fine or both; make illegal pari-mutual and other forms of betting on dog races; abolish the state civil service commission and allow sales of colored oleomargarine in Oregon as now being sold in 32 other states.

LEGISLATORS SHANGHAIED

Oregon legislators were the guests of the Weyerhaeuser folk last weekend. The sons left the capitol at 9 a. m. for a trip through the firm's large plant at Springfield, returning in the afternoon after having lunch at the plant. Transportation was furnished by the company.

SOLONS TO GIVE BLOOD

Monday February 19 will be Blood Day for the Marion county chapter of the American Red Cross with a collection unit located in the capitol. Legislators as well as state employees and the public in general will be asked to give blood. The date is between Lincoln's birthday and Washington's birthday when legislators and all good Americans should be tops in patriotism.

STATEHOUSE STATIC

"Oregon's legislature is known as 'the apron string legislature,'" declared Sen. Thomas Mahoney, who amply supplies comedy secretaries from the floor of the senate during sessions. Mahoney, who amply supplies comedy relief in the upper house, says he started the movement as a gag — but it got away from him.

Job's Daughters Meet

Jobs' Daughters' of Bethel No. 36, held their meeting at the Masonic Temple in Kerby January 15th.

Honored Queen Sharon Bengtson, presided, and Carol Burr, junior princess, in their chairs. All officers were present.

The Bethel was called to order and the following were introduced and welcomed:

Past Honored Queen Doris Menozzi of Bethel 15, from Nashvauk, Minn.; Worshipful Master Harold Bowerman of Bethel lodge No. 18; Worthy Matron Mary Lloyd; Worthy Patron Henry Lloyd, both of Western Star chapter No. 64.

Roll call followed, and preparations were in order for invitations of the following candidates:

Sarah Hoskins, Joan Burnett, Mooneyan Deaton, Sharon Versteegen, Mary Lou Morris and Pauline Holmes.

Past Honored Queen Doris Menozzi assisted as guardian of music.

Beautiful corsages of white gardenias were presented the new members, and they also received names of their secret fathers.

Several members of the faculty were among those present.

Associate Guardian Henry Lloyd introduced the Parents of the new members. He also congratulated the officers for doing their ritualistic work so nicely.

A slumber party is planned for February 10 at the home of Past Honored Queen Ruth Smith. She suggests each girl bring a blanket and pillow.

The pie social held January 12 was well attended and very successful. All those not there missed a lot of good pie and a swell time.

The next meeting of the Bethel will be February 5th.

Honorary degrees for members who have reached their majority will be given, so let all make a date to be there.

After the closing of Bethel, in the beautiful and impressive ceremony, all adjourned to the dining room for refreshments.

Guardian Council Meets

The guardian council of Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 36, met at the Masonic Temple in Kerby, Jan. 8th.

Meeting was called to order by Guardian Mary Lloyd.

Six candidates for initiation into the order of Jobs Daughters were passed on and the next Bethel meeting and initiation will be held January 15.

The next council meeting will be held January 23, 7:30 p. m. at the home of Carolyn Covington, guardian secretary.

All members of the council are requested to be present, and please don't forget the date.

Kerby Bethel News

The Daughters of Job, Bethel No. 36, met at the Masonic Temple in Kerby January 8.

Bethel opened in regular form, Honored Queen Sharon Bengtson presiding with Marilyn Masters senior princess and Carol Burr, junior princess, in attendance.

A slumber party is being planned, so girls, come to the next meeting, and get in on the plans. Donna Zimmerman was presented with her certificate for proficiency.

Mrs. L. Robinson, mother of two of the officers, visited the Bethel. All officers are urged to attend.

Dance Notice

Deer Creek Grange will hold a dance Saturday night, January 27. Baker's orchestra will play. Admission is \$1.25 per couple. Refreshments to be served later in the evening.

O'Brien School News

The students of O'Brien school have been engaged in various activities in celebration of Thrift Week. The primary students have studied about Benjamin Franklin and his famous adage, "A penny saved is a penny earned." Each one has drawn a picture of his penny bank and written a story about it.

The students in all grades have begun their own savings plan by buying Defense Stamps. A chart is on display in the hall showing the number of students buying stamps in each room.

The third and fourth grade students are writing a play for Thrift Week. They plan on showing their play to the other grades soon.

Mr. E. Johnson brought the movie "Behind the Coffee Cup" to show to the intermediate grades last week. This movie showed the coffee industry from the time the coffee bean is planted until the coffee is served.

Several changes have been made in the enrollment recently. The new students who have entered our school are: Gary Ellis, sixth grade; Sharon Ellis, fifth grade; from Wilderville; and Katherine Kinney, second grade, from Merlin.

Two students were dropped from the rolls. Leslie Capps went to Lynwood, California and Georgia Podane moved to Eureka, California.

The O'Brien PTA will meet at the school this Thursday evening at 8 p. m. Although this is a new PTA organization, it is a very active one. Over 50 parents and teachers are enrolled. A large group of mothers and fathers has attended each meeting. A moving picture is scheduled for the program on this Thursday evening and everyone is urged to attend the meeting.

Many interesting room projects are in progress. The students of Mr. Johnson's room have each written letters to various provinces of Canada in search of material about Canada. Mr. Johnson has an attractive bulletin board showing pictures of interesting places in British Columbia, which he took on a recent trip there.

The fourth grade has completed a series of murals illustrating the stories about people in other lands. The third grade has a display showing farm animals and the foods that they supply. They are completing individual booklets, also.

The students of the primary room have an Indian Party every Wednesday afternoon. Each little Indian gets a feather in his headband for every book read. Some of the head bands look like those of the Big Chief now that they have so many feathers.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the friends who were so kind and sympathetic in the loss of our boy and during his days in the hospital. Also for the beautiful flowers.

Your thoughts are more deeply appreciated than any words of thanks can express.

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