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## Musings

By the Editor

Again we can say—"the mills of the gods grind slowly," etc. Or, if you prefer—"the Providence of God." For as one looks at the battlefronts of the world tonight we can easily see that Herr Schnickelgruber (or whatever his name is) is at long last feeling the lash he has so ghoulishly laid on others.

To begin with, Germany's proud capital, Berlin, has felt the same sort of thing the Heinies handed London back in 1940. Only this time the RAF was better prepared than the Germans were and gave the sprawling city a real pasting—and then repeated it the next night. We have no way of knowing, but we hope some of the head Nazis got theirs, but somehow, doubt it. For unless we miss our guess, they keep pretty well under cover these days.

In Africa, Rummel is still on the run and the English Eighth Army is hot on his heels. The Fighting French force coming up across the Sahara desert is within less than eighty miles from the road he is taking toward Tripoli, and will soon join forces with the English, either to head off or chase him into Tunisia. Probably the latter, for unless we miss our guess, he is hoping to join forces with the rest of the German forces in Tunisia and there make his last stand. And the Americans and British on the west are marking time, waiting for the mud to dry up a bit and for their air forces to raise heck with supply lines and bases. And they are doing it, too. Every day it is getting harder and harder for the Germans to get their supply ships and transport planes into the Tunisian area without their being destroyed.

In Burma, Field Marshal Wavell, with the help of American big bombers, is slowly driving the Japs back. He is getting more and more help, too, and it won't be long now until the British Tommies will be once more "on the road to Mandalay" and the Burma Road will again be open. General Stillwell, in China, reports that the Chinese are gaining ground once more—again with the help of American planes and bombs. Once let our forces get a road open into China so we can get supplies to those fighting lads, and we shall see the beginning of the end of the Japanese dream of empire.

In the Pacific area we are slowly, but surely getting the upper hand. General MacArthur's reports show that our men have almost wiped out what few Japs are left on New Zealand. It's an ungodly country to have to fight in, but our men, together with the Aussies are slowly, but surely, mopping 'em up. And our big bombers are again proving their worth by sinking ship after ship and wiping out shore installations all over the South Pacific area. And the way those big fellows can take it must be a revelation to the little brown devils they are after.

We heard the best answer the other day we have heard as to why our boys don't get busy and drive the Japs out of Kiska. A feller said he thought it was because it was cheaper to let the Japs bring their ships to us, rather than for us to go thousands of miles after them. For, you know, every time new Jap ships get to Kiska the boys just quietly go out and blow them to pieces. Which means whittling down Jap strength, at small expense to us. The little cusses don't get time to do any damage or build up a strong base, before our men climb their necks.

We have purposely left the Russian front to the last, for we wanted to hear the latest news of the breakthrough on the Leningrad front before saying anything. The Reds have been giving Hitler's men hell on the southern front, and now they have started in up north. The latest reports tonight (Tuesday) indicate that the German army is rapidly losing strength and fighting spirit. It seems that Hitler has been depending on Rumanians, Bulgarians and Italians to hold many sectors on the long Russian front, and these men are getting tired of their "cannon fodder" role. Over 200,000 prisoners have been reported in the last few days, besides vast numbers killed and

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## STORM CAUSES FLOOD DAMAGE ABOUT COUNTY

For once the people of Central Point are all of one mind and opinion and are talking about the same subject, the high water. The censor on weather news has been removed and the papers are printing the reports. Up to date 6 bridges are reported to have been washed out. Cars are stalled in many places. Rev. Richard Campbell started for Seattle but was advised to return to Central Point. Len Taylor, making a trip to a job, turned back at Griffin Creek. Lola Blackford, delivering, was forced to come in by a different route and four customers she could not reach on account of the high water.

It is also reported that the highway was washed out on the Siskiyous. Early this morning the water was over the railroad track in back of Kyle's, and a track walker went ahead of the train, we are told.

Children cannot get to the school house without riding or wearing rubber boots. Even as bad as the reports are, old timers according to their stories, have seen it worse. Vintie Beall report that there was more water on the ground in 1890. He was up at three o'clock this morning to rescue 14 little pigs from the water.

O. T. Wilson came into Central Point down Beall Lane and crossed the railroad track in a row boat. Water is running into some Medford stores, it is reported. Many telephone wires are down and lines out. The water is running into the Southern Oregon Sugar Pine Co. office and thru the yards. They went into the office in a rowboat.

Charley Jones from Brain ranch Gold Hill reports the Kanies creek bridge was in bad shape that he was out there early with a lantern. It was badly washed out and not safe. It has also been reported that Gold Ray plant was closed.

Reports that the water is in the slaughter house and the basement of the Medford Meat Co. and will run into perhaps \$2000 damage done to the plant.

## To Our Readers

We will not be allowed to send any more papers to boys in service across the sea. This is a new order from government headquarters. In order for us to send it to any of the boys in U.S. camps who go across, we will have to have a written request signed by the boy and an officer. More about this will be found in an article in this issue. The present subscriptions to the boys overseas, can continue by adding a couple of lines to their present address. So boys still in the U.S.A. who may go over, better have these orders or requests fixed up if they care to have the Central Point American. If they wait until after they are over, it will take much longer to get the paper started.

## Local Hatchery Has Increased Facilities

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nitzsche have just recently moved their incubators in their new building which they built the past season. Their building is now 26x84 feet and is modern in every way. They have also added another electric battery brooder to take care of their increased chick demands. They wish to thank all their patrons for their past co-operation and hope to serve their chick needs for many years to come.

## Nevita Chapter To Meet Tuesday Night

Nevita Chapter No. 93 O.E.S. will meet for their first meeting under the leadership of the new officers Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Masonic Temple in Central Point. Refreshments will be served by the Worthy Matron, Mrs. Hensley Holt, and the Assoc. Matron, Mrs. Howard Jewett. Visiting members are cordially invited to attend.

## UNDERWENT OPERATION

Mr. Harry DuBuque underwent a very serious operation last Thursday at the Sacred Heart hospital. He has been very ill but reports were that he is improving today.

## William Bohnert, Long Time Resident, Passes

Funeral services were conducted for William Bohnert Monday afternoon at the Perl funeral home, Rev. Karl Brockhaus officiating. Interment took place in the Central Point cemetery. A large group of friends and beautiful flowers showed the love and respect in which he was held. Mr. Bohnert had been ill for a long time.

William Bohnert, well known and long-time resident of Jackson County passed away January 15, 1943, at Central Point, Oregon, at the age of 77 years, 7 months and 18 days. Mr. Bohnert was born at Lahr in Baden, Germany, May 27, 1865. He came to the United States at the age of 16 and resided for some time in New York, later he moved to Nebraska and came to Medford in 1891. He became a citizen of the United States in 1899.

In 1896 he was united in marriage to Sophia Kubitz here. They moved to Nebraska where they lived for 13 years, returning to Central Point in 1909, where they have since resided. His wife preceded him in death in 1911. He was very successful farmer by occupation, and took great pride in his endeavor.

He is survived by five children: Arnold, Otto, John, Mrs. Emma Dunn, and Mrs. Louise Von der Hellen, all of whom reside in Central Point, also 12 grandchildren. He also leaves two brothers, and two sisters, Fred Bohnert of Los Angeles, Calif., and Henry Bohnert of Oakland, Calif., Mrs. Marie Hentzenroeder of South Dakota, and Carolina Friedrich of Lahr in Baden and many nieces and nephews.

He has been a member of the Zion Lutheran Church for many years.

## RUMMAGE SALE JAN. 23

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a rummage sale in the Cooper Building next to the bus terminal January 23.

## Mr. Freeman Resigns As Secretary

Mr. J. W. Freeman handed in his resignation as secretary of Line 24 of the Central Point Mutual Telephone company. His daughter, Mrs. Lola Kincaid, has taken his place. Mr. Freeman has been secretary of this line ever since the company was organized. Patrons of the line are very appreciative of his effort. Everett Faber is president of the line. Mr. Gebhard is now in charge of keeping up this line and already has put in considerable time, improving it. Two new members, Mr. Tour and Ebron Griffiths, have been added. Several more have put in applications for shares.

## New Rules on Mail To Boys Oversea

Because of the great increase in the amount of mail being sent to army post offices overseas it has become necessary for the post office department to place new restrictions on mail matter to be dispatched to boys in the army overseas.

Effective Jan. 15, 1943, no parcels will be accepted at the post office which are addressed to any A.P.O. overseas unless the sender can produce a written order from the person to whom the parcel is addressed giving a general description or name of the article requested and stating his grade or rank and complete address followed by his signature and approved and signed by his commanding officer. Parcels mailed under this order can not exceed 5 pounds in weight, or 15 inches in length, or 36 inches in length and girth combined.

No assurance is given that letters prepaid at the air-mail rate of 6 cents per half ounce will be dispatched by airplane any farther than the point of debarkation. All V-mail, however, will be transported by airplane to points overseas where facilities are available.

No newspapers can be accepted for mailing excepting those mailed by the publishers.

These orders apply to A.P.O.'s addressed in care of the postmaster at New York, N.Y., San Francisco, Calif., Seattle, Wash., New Orleans, La., Miami, Fla., or Presque Island, Maine. The restrictions herein mentioned do not apply to personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard.

## Ride Bus—Save Tires

Every one should ride the local bus. It is a great convenience for Central Point to have this service. Plan your trip to fit the schedules. The schedules will be worked out to fit the needs of the most people. It is true it does take a little longer to go thru Medford to Camp White, but much better than none at all.

Mr. A. L. Schneider, manager of the line, states that it will be given a fair trial and changes will be made in the schedule to suit the most passengers. Our idea would be to write down the schedules that suited you best and leave at the Central Point bus station. We don't know but it seems like it would help in re-arranging it.

It is cold and foggy but nevertheless ride the bus, while you still can. Saturday there were 100 to take advantage of this service. 100 seem like a large number, but when you stop think that the bus makes 10 trips a day that is not very many. Only ten a trip. The bus stops along the line both ways to pick up or let off passengers.

Every week or day that passes will bring us nearer the time when we have no other transportation. So ride the bus. The following is the latest schedule.

## BUS SCHEDULE

Effective Monday, Jan. 18, 1943	
Lv. Central Point	Lv. Medford
6:15 A.M.	6:00 A.M.
7:30 A.M.	7:15 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	9:45 A.M.
12:30 Noon	12:10 Noon
1:40 P.M.	1:20 P.M.
4:20 P.M.	4:00 P.M.
5:35 P.M.	5:15 P.M.
6:50 P.M.	6:30 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:00 P.M.

## Four Boys Arrive At Naval Station

FARRAGUT, IDAHO, Jan. 14—New recruits to serve in the U.S. Navy in our battle against the Axis hordes reported for duty here today from Central Point, Oregon.

For the next several weeks they will be given thorough training and physical conditioning. On graduation from the U. S. Naval Training Station located here on the shores of Lake Pend Oreille in the northern Idaho mountains, they will be mentally, physically and spiritually prepared to fight the best our enemies have to offer.

Many will be sent to Navy Service Schools on completion of recruit training, while the balance will join the fleet immediately. Names of the Central Point men who have just arrived are: Bert Oneal Bristow, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bristow, Route 1; John Daniel Colley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Colley, Second and Mabel streets; Robert Collins Vincent, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Vincent; and Wayne Paul Vincent, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Vincent, Route 1.

## New Medford U.S.O. Unit To Open Sunday

Elaborate plans are under way for the official opening Sunday afternoon, January 24, of the new USO unit at 218 West Main street in Medford, according to Adjutant Charles K. Cox, director of the already popular recreation center which is being operated under Salvation Army administration.

The planning committee met at the USO Tuesday noon at a luncheon to discuss plans for the celebration. Present from Camp White Service Command were Captain Sydney W. Snider, Lt. Kenneth Luckey, Cpl. Don Safford and Pfc. Jack Little; from the Special Service Office of the 91st Infantry were Captain E. Oates, Lt. Robert B. Greenberger and Sgt. Snow. Others present were Lee Bishop of radio station KMED Eugene Thorndike as treasurer of the Salvation Army Advisory Board, and Adjutant Cox.

The committee discussed plans for the greatest array of musical talent from Camp White that has yet been present in Medford. Guest speakers and dignitaries will also take part in the program. Arrangements are under way to broadcast the opening. Adjutant Cox reports that the general public is cordially invited to attend the affair and stated that accommodations are being readied for an expected crowd of over two thousand.

Keep the bus running between Central Point and Medford, Camp White and back.

## Chester Grimes Wed To Former Medfordite

The news of the wedding of Chester Grimes, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Grimes, former residents of Central Point, came as a surprise to Central Point friends.

Miss Shirley Helen Remington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Remington of Pomona, Cal., and Lewis Chester Grimes, son of L. C. Grimes, C. E. M. U.S. Navy, and Mrs. L. C. Grimes were married Friday, Jan. 8, at 5 p.m. at Pomona, Cal., at the home of Mrs. G. A. Remington, grandmother of the bride.

Rev. Robert Charles Lewis of Sierra Madre, former pastor of the Federated Church of Central Point, officiated.

For the ceremony the bride wore a white wool two-piece dress with white velvet calot cap with an orchid corsage. Her accessories were navy blue.

Only members of the immediate families were present.

After a brief honeymoon the couple will be at home in Burbank where Mr. Grimes is employed by Lockheed. Both Mr. and Mrs. Grimes are former valley residents, Mr. Grimes being a graduate of Central Point high school and Mrs. Grimes from Medford high school.

The American joins their friends in all good wishes for the future.

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## So what?

Not what I have, but what I do is my kingdom.—Thomas Carlyle

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tharp had their wedding pictures taken just before Christmas. Their daughter Vivian and son Vestal were included in the picture.

Ken Powell, after having helped out a brother printer in Ashland Monday, missed the bus at Medford and had to walk all the way home from Medford. To top it all, a stagg cop stopped him and made him show his draft card.

Dysinger of the Alexander Imp. Co., was conserving heat last week he even went so far as to have the stove pipe sitting on a box and the nearest approach to a fire was a box of axes on one side and some waste paper on the other.

Mr. A. E. Powell and W. W. Crabb telling each other just how far any one could go in removing roofs and walls from a renter. Seeing that Mr. Crabb was renting an apt. from Powell, it was a wise idea to know just how each other stood.

Knocker Doty is back in town he reports, so knock on wood.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shell putting on a movie all by themselves with out an audience. Tan't fare.

If you see any Gold Fish swimming around the Central Point street, call Mrs. Tex. The water was nineteen inches over her gold fish pond, so some of them may have decided to see the world.

Ekerson Roofing Co. had a job they turned down. Some one asked them to paint the sun so it could be seen.

## Dr. W. R. Heckman

And Companion Are Invited to Be Guests of The American and Craterian Theatre To See Their Choice of The Following CRATERIAN THEATRE PROGRAMS: —Ends Saturday Nite!—

Marlene Dietrich—John Wayne "PITTSBURG"

—or— Sunday—Monday—Tuesday—

Alan Ladd—Helen Walker in "LUCKY JORDAN"

Please Call at The American Office For Your Guest Tickets If office closed, call across street at telephone office for ticket.

## CO-OPERATIVE IS PLANNED FOR MACHINE REPAIRS

All farmers interested in a co-operative plan for repair of farm machinery are invited to attend a meeting to be held at the Central Point High School on Tuesday evening, January 27th at 7:30. This is a part of the Food-for-Victory program and if the project is carried out the farmers in the community will be assisted in the repair of their farm equipment and in learning to maintain their machinery more efficiently. About one hundred classes are now in operation in the state and are being enthusiastically supported by the farmers wherever held. In general the plan is for the farmers to bring their farm machinery and equipment which may need repair to a central location. Here they will find the necessary tools for repair and an experienced mechanic to direct them. They work to some extent co-operatively on the repairs and in so doing may learn about repair of other machinery than just that which they bring in. There is no expense to the farmer except for parts which he may have to have.

## Red Cross Class to Meet Twice A Week

The Red Cross class making surgical bandages is meeting twice a week at the high school sewing room every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 1:00 to 4:30 o'clock. Any one who is unable to work that length of time, come as few hours as they wish any time between these hours. Mrs. Clara Vincent and Mrs. Lola Kincaid are instructors. The class wishes to thank Mr. Chauncey Florey for the lumber, donated for making the cupboard to store the bandages and Mr. Sid Bristow for making these cupboards.

Take the bus to Medford.

## The Churches

### FEDERATED CHURCH OF CENTRAL POINT

The Brick Church

REV. R. D. BENDER, PASTOR  
9:45 A.M. Sunday School, Classes for all ages. Mr. Robert Merritt, Supt.  
11:00 A.M. Morning worship, Sermon by pastor, "Leviticus, It's Lessons for Christians."  
6:30 P.M. Young People's meeting.  
7:30 P.M. Preaching Service.  
Tuesday 2:30 P.M. Community Bible Study Class.  
Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Prayer Service and Bible Study.  
NOTE: The King's Messengers class of the Sunday School held a very pleasant social last Monday night. Mrs. Ruth Clark was the hostess. Several wives of soldiers were present.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
P. Richard Campbell, Minister  
7th and Maple, Phone 5X3  
Bible School 10:00 A.M. W. K. Davis, Supt.  
Preaching and Communion Services 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday night services 7:30 P.M.  
Midweek Bible Study Wednesday night 8 o'clock.

HOLINESS CHURCH (Wesleyan)  
Corner 5th and Pine  
Rev. Clifford W. Thomas, Pastor  
Sunday School—9:45 A.M.  
Morning Worship—11:00 A. M.  
Sermon by the Pastor.  
Sunday Evening Service—7:30 P.M.  
Evangelistic message.  
Cottage Prayer Meeting Tuesday evening at 7:30.  
Prayer Service, Thursday at church at 7:30 P.M.  
A hearty welcome extended to all.

PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD  
W. A. Parsons, Pastor  
Mrs. W. A. Parsons, Ass't.  
Meetings are held in the white building, northwest corner of Fifth and Pine streets.  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 A.M.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 A.M.  
Children's Church ..... 6:30 P.M.  
Young People's ..... 6:30 P.M.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:30 P.M.  
Bible Study, Tuesday ..... 7:30 P.M.  
Prayer Service, Friday ..... 7:30 P.M.