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EDITORIALS

DIRTY BUSINESS

The aid and comfort given our enemies by Axis agents who may destroy a unit of some industry, or by strikers who close whole industries, is the same except the strikers give infinitely more aid.

Strikers in 1943 almost doubled the average for the 15-year period preceding our entry into war, and totaled 3,737, or 13,947,273 man-days. It is difficult to understand the spirit that moves men to such desertion of their posts of duty, often for the most trivial reasons, except there is no protection in this country for a man who wishes to work contrary to a strike order.

It's dirty business and no adequate excuse can be offered to our soldiers by either the strikers or Washington for permitting such interruptions in the flow of war materials.

Letters to Nephews

By Ella H. Leonard

Dear nephew:

Romance. . . She looked at him in frank appraising. He looked at her with all seriousness. She grinned her wide two-toothed smile. Her deep blue eyes sparkled. He leaned far out in his mother's arms, grabbed her around the neck tight with one arm and grasped her shoulders with his other. She pulled back. Again they looked at each other. Again he clinched her. He rubbed noses, touched cheeks. He gave her a wide, wet kiss. She pulled away again, but not so hard. A third time he held her like a farewell goodbye. Serious brown eyes looked into blue that tinkled as knowingly as a flirt. She leaned toward him, asking for more. And got it. Their first romance, at 8 and 12 months.

It's a good thing Congress wasn't sitting here. You remember how it took a strong stand publicly for bottle-babies only. Well, this little lass drew her food from the fount nature provides, without a trace of self-consciousness in mother and child. Maybe that security lay in the protection of the Army dad at hand.

It is easy to see that this baby likes her food: wrinkles on arms and legs as if thread was tied around them. She sat at the table in a regular chair, tied on by a dish towel under her arms and around the chair back. Rock, grin, eat, fall sideways, and grin again. Berry pie juice making a startling gash of her lips.

"Here's a good example Of nonchalance and grace: A blandly smiling baby With mush smeared on her face."

The other night Robin was to have supper with us. For some reason, he rushed home. He came back with his clothes changed as if we were going to step out. After the dishes were done (it was dark), I asked him if we should go home. No. Some time later, I asked again. Again, it was no. I could see he was getting sleepy, but he still wanted to stay. I wondered what his parents thought. It reminded me of the time small Ray came up to mama's as the grandchildren loved to do. About 8 o'clock on a June day. He stayed until lunch. And supper. We asked him if he wanted to go home. He had never stayed like that, not for a meal even. He got later and later. It got dark and darker. At last we thought it best to let him home. When we got here, his mother said, "Ramy, what made you stay so long?" Answered her young son, almost weeping, "Well, mama, I tried and tried to stay 15 minutes and I couldn't."

Bluebirds have returned and so have the purple violets. Beds of

them scattered all over the place are purpling the earth and perfuming the air. Buds on the shrub at the gate are wrapped in red and gold. (See how that bird beyond the barbecue pit is wrestling with the problem of how to carry away that broken bread.) Primroses show their red faces. Lilac are putting out leafbuds. Some neighbors are seen spading.

Expected company for dinner yesterday. They came. And brought others with them. The table was un-set, leaves put in, and reset. "You always find plenty at this table, no matter how many come," the friend said. Not quite that. But we would not like to invite folks to a meal, as we were in San Francisco, and serve 6 thin slices of bread and 5 wafers of bacon to 5 people. (With tea.) Boy, did dad load her up at the delicatessen when we had our lunch put up for the train. "If that's all the food she had, I'm sorry I ate it up from her," he said.

"For the Lord your God is he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you." May you believe this. Concernedly, Aunt.

Rationing Calendar

RATION BOOK NO. 3—(meats-fats)

February 26—Expiration date of brown stamps V, W and X. X series valid on February 6. March 20—Expiration date of brown Y and Z. Y series valid on February 13, Z on February 20. Each weekly series good for 16 points.

RATION BOOK NO. 4—(Canned goods)

February 26—Expiration date of green stamps G, H and J. Green stamps K, L, M, will be good February 1, until March 20 at their 8, 5, 2 & 1 values. Token will be given in change on and after February 27.

February 27—Starting date for use of red and blue ration tokens.

SUGAR—March 31—Expiration date of stamp 30, Book 4, good for 5 pounds. Stamp 40, Book 4, valid for 5 pounds of canning sugar between February 1, 1944, and February 28, 1945 (13 months).

SHOES—Stamp No. 18, Book 1, and "Airplane" stamp No. 1, Book 2.

valid for one pair each indefinitely period. Loose stamps not accepted. STOVES—Purchase certificates available at local boards. GASOLINE—March 21. Expiration date of No. 10 coupons in A book. 3 gallons each.

FIVE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

The Central Point, Jacksonville and Phoenix schools each presents a play in Central Point Monday evening. Those taking part in the Central Point play are Marion Strayer, Marjorie Dodson, Wanda Hood, Arlene Scott, Clyde Lees, Arthur Miller and Keith Copinger. Mrs. Fleischer is director.

Flash—The great Central Point high basket ball team playing as a perfect machine steam rolled a 47 to 29 victory over a game, hard fighting Rogue River team.

So What—Shirley Kincaid asking Mr. Harrison, "If a centipede breaks one of its legs, will it limp?"

Edward Innmann and Alva Muse, who were trapping at Glendale were forced in by snow which came to the tops of their hip boots.

Mrs. Oscar Minnick entertained the following guests at a dinner honoring her husband Oscar's birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Turrell and Jackie, Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Rollie and D'Ann, Delores Cox and the honor guest.

Allie Maple and Jim Ross went skiing on the Siskiyou Monday.

TEN YEARS AGO

Examination for Post Master is being given in Central Point. Central Point basket ball team win over Gold Hill, score 35 to 25.

Betty Lu Hodgson entertained several of her little friends with a valentine party at the home of her grandmother Mrs. Mollie Neal.

Among those attending the meeting of the Eastern Star in Jacksonville Monday evening were Mr. and Mrs. S. Collins, Mrs. Guy Tex, Mrs. Clara Vincent, Mrs. Ella Clark and Esther Sanderson.

O. T. Wilson's separator room containing his winter supply of bacon and a separator was destroyed by fire Tuesday.

A surprise party given Tuesday evening in honor of E. E. Griffith's birthday was attended by twenty relatives and friends. A turkey dinner was served.

The Central Point branch of the Extension Unit will hold an all day meeting at the grange hall Feb. 22. Mrs. Koshler and Mrs. Hesselgrave will be in charge.

Legal Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by order of the County Court in and for the County of Jackson, State of Oregon, duly made and entered on the 23rd day of February, 1944, in the matter of the estate of A. C. Weeks, deceased, Acey Charles Weeks was appointed executor of the Last Will and Testament of A. C. Weeks, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned at the office of FRANK P. FARRELL, 306 Fluhrer Building, Medford, Oregon, properly verified as provided by law, within six months from the date hereof.

DATED and first published February 19, 1944.

ACEY CHARLES WEEKS
Executor of the Last Will
and Testament of A. C. Weeks,
Deceased

24—Feb. 10, 17, 24, March 2.

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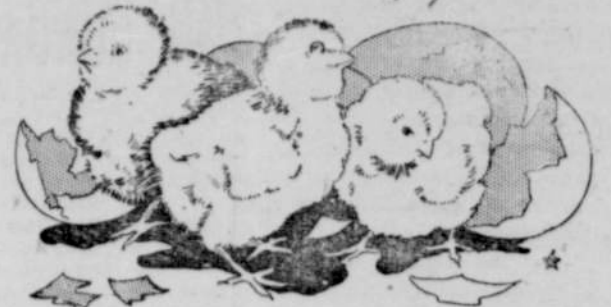
NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that W. E. Davies and Anna L. Davies have filed with the Board of Directors of Eagle Point Irrigation District their petition for inclusion within the boundaries of Eagle Point Irrigation District of the following described real property situated and being in Jackson County, Oregon, to-wit:

The North Half of the North-west Quarter of Section 14, Township 36 South of Range 1 West of the Willamette Meridian. Said petition will be heard at the

regular meeting of the Board of Directors of said District at Eagle Point, Oregon, to be held at the hour of 1:30 o'clock P.M., March 7, 1944, and NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons interested to appear at the office of said Board at said time and show cause, if any they have, why said petition should not be granted.

THELMA SHORT
Secretary, Eagle Point Irrigation District
27—Feb. 3, 10, 17.

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Railroaders with their THINKING CAPS on



Here we tell you about some good ideas thought up by the people of our railroad to help Southern Pacific carry its greatest traffic load in history. Such ideas contribute directly to Victory, because the railroad is the war industry all other war industries depend on!

Only a few of the ideas received in recent months are presented here. And some of the devices shown can be fully appreciated only by railroaders. But these ideas have a common denominator everybody will understand: All represent better ways to run a railroad!

Back in the 1860's our railroad itself was a new idea. The first Southern Pacific tracks were built largely into virgin, sparsely settled regions where great cities later grew.

And through the years the S.P. "family" has steadily pioneered such new ideas in railroading as low coach fares; moderately priced meal service in dining cars; and store-door pickup and delivery for less than carload freight. We operate more air-conditioned cars than any railroad west of the Mississippi. Even today, in wartime, our hard-pressed streamliners are still the nation's most beautiful trains.

You can be sure that S.P. men and women in the shops, yards, offices, stores and on the trains will continue their constant search for improved methods of railroading.

In this spirit of enterprise we find stimulation and encouragement for the future. Then, as now, good railroad transportation will be needed . . . and we know that railroaders with their thinking caps on will do their part to provide it. S.P. is planning for peacetime progress NOW!



THESE FOUR MEN worked out a horizontal airjack which saves delay to flat cars and manpower in blocking of flat cars into rigid units for loading with long piling. S.P. District Car Service Agent J. E. Whalley of Eugene (third from left) conceived the idea. Car Foreman W. H. McAllister (left) built first working model. W. E. Jackson drew blueprints for another at Eugene, where Master Car Repairer W. B. Medill (right) produced a second working model. Device improves on manually operated track jacks used for same purpose.



Watering of passenger cars has been simplified by specially-shaped extension pipe suggested by General Car Foreman C. H. D. Hansen of S.P.'s Mission Road Coach Yard. Method eliminates ladder and need to climb up on top of car to fill water tank.



Two hours time daily is saved by this device developed by S.P. Machinist Dow Nichols of Bakersfield. His idea involves a centering attachment for driving box having a "U" Machinists see this as a valuable contribution to good workmanship.



To extract journal bearings more easily and minimize danger of accidents, E. P. Morgan, S.P. Electric Welder of the Los Angeles Car Department, worked out this ingenious and specialized tool.



Ideas for improved production of brake shoes which saves 150,000 pounds yearly of critical metal formerly scrapped was suggested by Charles Walls, General Foreman of S.P. Blacksmiths at the Sacramento Shops.



Increased reclamation of war-vital zinc from used batteries, now S.P.'s only source of zinc, is made possible by idea of Wayne Ramsey, Reclamation and Welding Foreman at Sacramento General Stores. By Ramsey's method, adapting the hammermill, 400 pounds of zinc are produced daily against 100 pounds by former method. Hammermill rips open the zinc covering and breaks up carbon. Zinc pieces and crushed carbon are run through tumbler where carbon falls through perforations while zinc remains behind.



Greater accuracy, with saving of time and effort, is made possible by jigs developed by S.P. Machinist Earl Eckenberg at Los Angeles Shops. Jigs center alternator and pump motor heads for boring and fitting bushings.



Issuing train tickets to the public is speeded by this stockroom holder for ticket forms devised by Bob Steinbach, S.P. Ticket Clerk. Tickets hang from spindles, in logical order, permitting quick identification and handling.



To keep passengers posted as dining car seats become available, reducing restless waiting-in-line, Conductor E. M. Benson suggested announcements over loudspeakers on S.P. Daylights. Our Conductors often contribute ideas.

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