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Radio Robot will Broadcast Weather Data from Islands in Pacific

On an isolated, uninhabited island in the mid-Pacific the Navy's first iron sentry will soon mount guard—perhaps as the forerunner of an army of robots with copper brains to form cordons around the poles and to walk sentry post across the seas. This picture of the new developments of the future is painted by Thomas R. Henry in an article concerning the development of robots in a Washington, D. C. Star recently.

This iron sentry will report every six hours. For the time being he will be visited by repair crews every thirty days. It is hoped that the successors of this pioneer robot will be able to stick to their posts from six months to a year without any attention whatever. This first buck private of the robot army is now being built, according to Navy specifications by a commercial firm. The model after which it is being constructed has been on duty for a year at the Naval Air Station at Anacosta, D. C. During this time the robot has never been caught napping. It has required very little attention. Four times daily the robot has looked around, made its observations and radioed its reports which are received reliably at distances of at least 200 miles from Washington.

The reports broadcast by the robots will consist of barometric pressure, air temperature, humidity, force and direction of the wind, and the amount of rainfall. Each of these is recorded accurately on the copper brain of the robot and is transformed immediately into radio impulses. Strangely enough the robot sentry likes bad weather. His energizing force is the wind. The wind constantly recharges the storage battery, through a windmill on the robot's head, which keeps his copper brain in operation.

Public utilities in Oregon will pay \$6,915,816 in taxes during 1941, or 16.6 per cent of the total property tax bill in the state, the state tax commission said today.

Electric companies will pay \$2,699,496, steam railroads \$2,594,565, telephone companies \$905,602, water companies \$79,529, electric railroads \$77,781, tank car companies \$54,407, gas companies \$397,066, telegraph companies \$43,029.

Multnomah county will receive the largest amount from the utilities, \$2,744,390 and Washington County, \$124,342.

Openings for approximately 35 enrollees from the 29 Oregon and three Washington camps in the Vancouver Barracks district exist with the U. S. Maritime Service, according to word received at district headquarters.

Opportunity to train with the service is offered a limited number of enrollees each year. Those who qualify must agree to take a year's training and, at the completion of the instruction, to accept employment with the Maritime Service for at least a year if the same is available.

Word has been received that many former enrollees previously enrolled in the training have made good and received commissions as Ensign with the U. S. Coast Guard.

BARBWIRE BILL



Says World Has Heel Flies After It Hello Folks:

This old world of ours what we are explodin' aroun' in one way an another shore reminds me of a big bunch of cattle with the heel flies a running 'em to a bunch of dried up creeks. I reckon the cattle would have sense enuff to beller fer water but our world aint got sense enuff to pray for salvation. You know the good Lord aint a wantin' the world to go to the hell-en-demonition-bow-wow! By the time our world gits thru shootin' out their troubles, why thunder-in-lightnin', the Nazis an all our other outfits in the fly-blown-earth will look like a lot of cheese cakes where the skipper worms haz eat out everything but the cloth covered rinds an they are full of ants.

With our strikers a strikin' an our Lindberghs a helpin organize disorder fer Hitler's benefit, an with the yelps everybody can yelp to create chaos in America, it looks to me like its high time so set steady, pull steady, work steady, talk steady, pray steady, an shoot steady 't it has to kum to that, but be shore you aint a shootin' out the heart of America when you pull the trigger of yore dawggone tongue er yore gun.

BILL

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Thomas Denney Had First Sawmill in Beaverton Country

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the carpenter and his helper had to get the lumber in shape first.

One man would be planing off the boards to make them smooth; another would use a special plane and put a groove on a piece of flooring. Still a third workman would take his plane and add the tongue, which fitted the groove. But these old carpenters were masters of their craft, some of their old houses are still standing, almost as true and plumb as ever. Notable among these old landmarks is the Frank Fanno home, near Fanno Station, about eighty years old and somewhat remodeled, but with the same exterior it has always had. Your writer lives in another one of these old structures, also eighty years old, and located on the Alvin Brown donation land claim at Forest Grove.

The Californians were producing gold and lots of it. They were gold poor, had gold and nothing else. Like King Midas, of mythical fame, they soon learned that gold itself was a very useless article. They wanted food, fresh fruit, vegetables, flour and bacon. They needed lumber for their shacks and houses, woolen clothing, all sorts of things that gold could buy. Be it said to the credit and glory of pioneer Oregonians, that they hastened to take advantage of this market. Their rich virgin land was tilled intensively, flour mills ground away with their great millstones and those old sawmills sent many a board to the goldiggers.

Ever active in community affairs, Tom Denney, served several terms as justice of the peace in the early '50's. When agitation for a road to Portland was started, he took a leading part and donated six months labor by his hired man. Billy Robinson, grandfather of Harry Robinson also was a heavy contributor to the enterprise, which was constructed without benefit of engineering. The roadway did not follow the course of the present Canyon Highway, but struck over the hills to the south, hitting into old Seventh Street. There were no graceful sweeping grades, designed like our present high gear curves. The idea was to get over the mountain; to this end the road was cut straight away to the hilltop and down, being nearly all done by hand, with shovel and axe, and so steep as to test the mettle of the best oxen of the day.

Until he got lumber enough ahead to build a substantial frame house, Thomas Denney housed his family in a log building. The first church services of the community were held in the Denney cabin—at night by the flickering light of the candles or torches. The pine torches were made of pine limbs, split part way and bound with cord to keep the pitchy bough from burning too rapidly.

Six other children were born to Denneys after their settlement in Oregon, and the family home was the center of much activity and gaiety for many years. Of more recent years, after Thomas Denney and his wife had both passed away, and the children all grown and no Denneys left to live in the cherished old home, the house was razed, rather than have it go out of the family. It never had any occupants other than the Denneys.

Due to the rapid expansion of the Coast Guard during the National defense program Chief Boatswain H. O. Nielsen, Seattle Recruiting Officer, Room 37 Federal Office Building, Seattle, Wash., announces that the age limit for original enlistments in the Coast Guard is now extended to 28 years. Single men between the ages of 18 to 28 years, of good character, are now being accepted for enlistment in this branch of the Military Services.

Those registered under the Selective Service Act may still enlist in the United States Coast Guard which offer a splendid opportunity as a career for any young man. Recruits from this area will be given preliminary training at Fort Townsend Training Station before transfer to a Sea-going unit of the Coast Guard.

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That was a new idea to us. As a matter of fact does it matter what the posture in prayers. Here is a Portland family that has sent three into High School and College teaching a fourth to give the Bible to India. In their family worship they remain seated with bowed heads during prayer. They never kneel.

Knees Like a Camel

Then there was James back in the first century church. When they came to coffin him, his knees were found to be so calloused they called him Camel Kneed James. So much did he kneel to pray. Again recall the English M. D. who founded the China Inland Mission back in the 1860's. He had a way of praying aloud as he walked the roads and paths. Pleading the plight of China's millions in their poverty, disease and desperate sin. God must have heard for the force of half a dozen at the first now numbers thirteen hundred and fourteen workers sent out from America and across the water with never an appeal for funds, they are kept in the field by prayer. The secret of the inflow of millions of dollars these seventy odd years is in the hundreds of prayer groups that meet each month to lay before the lord the needs of the workers and the work. When we pray the Lord of the harvest he brings it to pass. Hundreds of laborers and enough money.

But back to the wife in the trailer car. The Way of Your Life made clear and her questions answered, she asked—"If I have that heart belief, whom do I tell?" Tell God, we suggested, for—"With the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."—"Why not tell for you have made it all clear to me?" came next. But she did not have to tell us. The new light in her face already had told it. Have you reading this, that joy and hope and peace? Tell God Thank You For Salvation and tell the folks—"This is his commandments, that we should believe on the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another as He gave commandment. O Happy Day that fix'd my choice; On Thee my Savior and my God.

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Bankers and investors have so long been subject to controls that they are more hardened to them than are manufacturers and other businessmen. Most businessmen, however, are scared stiff. It is by no means the scareheads from abroad that are keeping the stock markets stagnant. Most of Hitler's moves, including any spring drive against England, have already been discounted. It is fear by businessmen of further internal domestic regulations and taxes which paralyzes markets and slows up defense work.

A Planned Production

Once the New Dealers were talking about a Planned Economy. This included fixing prices for farmers, a redistribution of property, and many other broadly socialistic ideas. Fortunately for the country, the Roosevelt Administration has thus far never quite got the machinery set up to accomplish this. Now they have it given to them on a silver platter in the form of the Defense Program. The new term for our coming economic order is Planned Production! Through priority controls alone, the government can plan industry's entire activity.

In World War I, the War Industries Board and other agencies functioned independently of politics. Today, the program is largely directed and controlled by the Administration's bureaucracy. No organization, except the charitable ones like the Red Cross, functions free of red tape. Yet, I have confidence this will cure itself if you voters will write your Congressman how you feel. I am still bullish on the United States. President Roosevelt!

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