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"NATIONS THAT DID NOT PREPARE FOR DEFENSE ARE NO LONGER NATIONS."

Governor Sprague on Home Defense

It is certain that many west coast residents, Oregon citizens among them, feel comfortably that "It can't happen here". This was the way they felt in Singapore Island. But it happened. The Oregonian hopes that these mud turtles of ours—you know, a mud turtle pulls in its head—heard Governor Charles A. Sprague when he spoke to a radio audience Sunday night. Without seeking to alarm them, he must have dispelled their illusions, and roused them to the alert. It can happen here. It may not be likely—but it could happen. This is the view of Governor Sprague, obtained from military authorities and close study of the situation. It is a view that has been flatly expressed by Secretary of War Stimson.

If we of the Oregon coastal area—to all practical military purpose this includes Portland and other so-called inland cities and towns—have anything about which to feel comfortable it is Governor Sprague's reassuring report on civilian defense preparations, and the organization of a state guard patterned after the home defense units of Great Britain. Most of us have taken these preparations for granted, if we speculate upon them at all. Still, as we say, the announcement that invasion is a possibility jolts our complacency, while word that precautionary steps are being taken gives us cause to thank heaven that Governor Sprague and his voluntary assistants have not been as slumberous as we.

There isn't any need to become agitated about the unlikely prospect of attempted invasion, but it is manifest that we bear in mind that it can happen here. A perfected civilian defense organization, a trained and equipped state guard, that knows what to do and when and where to do it, will mean—if invasion ever develops—the difference between effective defense of our area and effective enemy action against us. The war may seem far, far away. But as Governor Sprague pointed out in his radio report on the defense of the commonwealth, this is a dangerous delusion. In any case, we are in duty bound to prepare ourselves as though tomorrow the war may be at our beaches.—Oregonian.

Oregon and New Zealand Similar

Oregon and New Zealand have much in common. Both states were acquired by discovery and have about the same land area and they inherited their law and customs from England. New Zealand has a climatic range and coast line of about that of the three Coast States—California, Oregon and Washington. The population of New Zealand is slightly larger than Oregon but territory of the two countries began about the same time. Both states are known for their dairy and sheep industry and their scenic beauty.

Oregon on becoming a state did not acquire the old Spanish custom of community property as did the other two states carved out of the Oregon territory. On coming into statehood Oregon adopted the Iowa code and Idaho and Washington adopted the California code.

It is an old custom for the pioneers and their descendants to celebrate February 14th, as the day Oregon became the 33rd member of the Union in 1859. Oregon is the second Coast State to be admitted into statehood and is the 9th in size.

The Oregon grape is the official state flower, the Western Meadow Lark the official bird and Douglas Fir the official tree. The state song is Oregon, My Oregon, and the state motto is She Flies with Her Own Wings. The state flag contains a navy blue field and the escutcheon is in gold, supported by thirty-three gold stars and bearing above said gold escutcheon the words State of Oregon in gold and below such escutcheon the figures 1859 in gold and the other side of the flag a representation of the beaver in gold. The gold of the flag shows that Oregon is a gold producing state and abounding in mineral wealth and the beaver well represents the intelligent, hard working citizenship that settled the State.

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wants to protect your boys not only from shells, but also from tropical diseases. This means getting them well-hardened before they leave this country. He is your best friend. I say this not only as a statistician but as one who in 1940 ran against him and got a terrible licking!

Face the Facts

A calm view of the mess in which our country now finds itself may be summed up as follows:

1. England, Russia, China, and our other Allies are absolutely dependent upon us. If, at any time, we should quit the war, England would starve; Russia would collapse; and poor China would be conquered.

2. The United States and Canada must not quit until the Hitler, Mussolini, and Japanese gangs are completely eliminated. The TIME needed to do this is of secondary importance.

3. Mr. Churchill has enviable powers of persuasion; but he is working for England and not for us. He is asking of our President more than he expects to get.

I especially have in mind Churchill's apparent present efforts to throw the Battle of the South Pacific into our lap. As a student of Climatic Statistics, I say that Churchill should not decide where our boys should go. We cannot win this war by going off "half-cocked". Our enemies have been years in preparing every detail. We should now adopt the same policy and thereby avoid the tropical trap which has been set for us.

This is a Different War

Twenty-five years ago our boys fought in Europe in a climate and with a people to which they were adjusted. Hence, they were not subject to strange diseases. With World War II, the outlook is entirely different. Churchill's present plan appears to be to send boys from Canada and all parts of the United States to Asia, Africa, and the Tropics of the Pacific. With our greatly superior productive facilities we can conquer our enemies if we will only be patient and cut out politics. Parents don't want to appear unpatriotic and are keeping their thoughts to themselves; but many are questioning whether their boys should be sent to these hot and diseased countries—at least until more adequately prepared.

Congress cannot run the war. Certainly, Congress was way behind the President in foreseeing and preparing for the war. If Congressmen had thought less of getting appropriations and jobs for themselves and had taken F.D.R.'s advice three years ago there would have been no Pearl Harbor tragedy. Now, Congress should not make another mistake and too suddenly throw our boys into the conflict ill-prepared. Parents won't stand too many wretched Congressional errors.

How to Win

We should confine northern draftees to naval and air work and insist that English Colonials do shore work in the Tropics. Our sailors and flyers can afford fighting risks there as they can be fed good American food and would be free from tropical diseases. Military experts will tell you that Germany, Italy, and Japan can be annihilated by our navies and air forces if Russia will contribute Vladivostok and Turkey the Dardanelles. We may be in too much hurry to win the war. Perhaps diseases will do the trick if we are patient. If the war can be won at less risk and by taking a longer time, shouldn't this be done? We do not want to unnecessarily send boys from snow drifts into tropical jungles too hastily.

Climatic Dangers

Let us benefit from climate and biology rather than have these used to crush us. Americans can safely be sent to Alaska and Russia. It is also okay to have them in Ireland. But is it good strategy to send our infancy now to Africa and the South Sea Islands? Let us plan for a long war, giving our enemies time to commit suicide. If it is our job to lick the world, let's sit in the driver's seat, give the orders to Churchill and tell him where to send his men!

When in the Orient two years ago, I was told it would be suicidal to send northern troops there except they live on battleships and carriers. When the truth is out, it may show the climate, rather than "hordes of Japs" caused Singapore's surrender. We can make our best contribution by working with natural laws instead of bucking it. As Alexander Guerry says: "Democracy gives the President and Congress the freedom of choice; but they cannot free us people from the sad consequences when they make a bad choice."

War Gardens Back Again This Spring

BY RAY W. GILL

Food is getting more prominent every day as a factor in winning the war. The expression "Food will win the war" has a new significance in this war emergency, and we now realize that food alone is not enough. Science has started us with the importance of vitamins in the diet. Reports from the draft boards indicate a serious lack of balanced nutrition, and this apparently is equally true in both rural and municipal life. Secretary Wickard has launched a campaign urging farmers to grow a family garden and one which will contain a balanced food supply, not alone in the main food elements but in vitamins as well.

It is rather strange that farmers, who are so favorably situated to produce a family garden with the proper varieties essential to a balanced food supply, now find themselves faced with a problem. Their problem involves a better understanding of a balanced nutrition throughout all months of the year. More green, leafy vegetables are required, and a better understanding of balanced vitamins is very essential in both city and country. Oregon is especially favored by climatic conditions to produce a great range of vegetable and fruit varieties. Lack of knowledge is our only excuse for any deficiency in the diet. Farmers must raise more of their own food and have a better understanding of what to raise.

Early Return Asked On Re-Tinning Blanks

Early return of the re-tinning survey questionnaires recently furnished to all Oregon milk producers, bakers and canneries is urged by the foods and dairies division of the state department of agriculture, which is making the survey at the request of Governor Sprague. The survey covers an estimate of the re-tinning needs of these plants for the two-year period ending March 1, 1944. Data compiled will be turned over to the governor's office. In connection with the survey, the governor has suggested also that all dairymen holding milk or cream cans belonging to milk plants or creameries return those not in use so they may be counted in the survey. It will be necessary to get all unused milk and cream cans into condition before the spring flush period of milk production if there is to be an adequate supply of cans to take care of the milk produced.

GEMS OF THOUGHT SERVICE GOODNESS

Of all virtues and dignities of the mind, goodness is the greatest being the character of the Deity; and without it, man is a busy, mischievous, wretched thing.—Bacon.

All that worketh good is some manifestation of God asserting and developing good.—Mary Baker Eddy. Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt; for the tree is known by its fruit.—New Testament: Matthew 12:33.

We must first be made good, before we can do good; we must first be made just, before our works can please God—for when we are justified by faith in Christ, then come good works.—Luther.

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Bulk Walnut Labels Simple

Lack of marking or labeling on walnuts in bulk lots for retail sale causes state department of agriculture field men plenty of headaches, apparently because retailers do not understand the state walnut law. Every bulk lot of walnuts offered for sale should be labeled with the name of the state where grown and the size of the nuts. The legible label should be evidence on bins, display table or other container from which sale is made.

Grocers and other retailers may label legally purchased walnuts, if they do not have over 10 percent culls, as "Oregon ungraded". To determine whether these meet the 10 percent requirement on culls, the grocer should gather up 100 nuts and crack them. If over 10 nuts are blanks, shriveled, rancid, moldy or otherwise not good, then the lot cannot be sold, as "Oregon ungraded", which means they can't be sold at all.

Want Binoculars

Following a precedent established in the First World War, the Navy is asking for the loan of binoculars which meet service requirements from patriotic citizens who now possess them. The Thirteenth Naval District has announced.

Two sizes of binoculars only will meet the Navy's specifications. Six by thirty binoculars, used for sighting ships and large objects at intermediate or long distance, are wanted for ordinary navigation purposes.

Seven by fifty glasses, used for sighting aircraft and distinguishing ships at extreme distances, are also desired. Because of the difficulty of obtaining spare parts for numerous types of binoculars, the Navy will accept the loan only of Zeiss or Bausch and Lomb glasses.

They should be sent, carefully packed, to the Naval Observatory, Washington, D.C. Each instrument should be accompanied by an identification tag, bearing the name and address of the sender. The Navy will then pay \$1 for each set of binoculars accepted for use, and will return them to their owners at the end of hostilities if the glasses are still in use.

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At what hour was it done? Let us answer this way—That if it was you who did the deed, it was at that moment when a flash of hate shot from your heart.

Who saw the deed? The answer is that God Almighty was looking on—"O Lord Thou hast searched me and known me. Thou knowest my thought afar off." Nothing can be hid from God your Maker.

But why is the flash of hate the same to God as the flash of a gun? Christ tells us. He gave new light on the command—THOU SHALT NOT KILL. He trails murder to its lair and locates it in your heart. That is, if you ever broke out with a word of hate, anger, a sneer, or a snarl of contempt. Look over Matthew 5:21-22 for yourself. Liable as murderer, is it not?

Now we bring in a word that covers a lot of territory. INIQUITY, the Bible word for the thing that is wrong in itself, whether there is a law against it or not. Here it is then—"The Lord hath laid on Him—on Christ—the INIQUITY of us all." We repeat—INIQUITY which means hidden sins against which there is no written law. And all blotted out by the blood of Christ. Hatred, thoughts, grudges, sewerage from vile imaginations, all blotted out. Why does God go out of his way to save the ungodly? Why does he offer up his Son to die for the scamps, scum and scallwags of the race. It is his consuming love of all mankind. The meanest, the lowest, even the smug self-righteous, all to be cleansed by the blood of Christ.

He would cleanse us all and breathe his God-nature into us that in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness to us through Christ Jesus. The meantime here on earth, give us the power to glorify his name by a holy walk.

Do you take Christ as the Lamb of God, slain for your sins? Is it of your heart? The instant you take Christ, God takes you. Feelings or no feelings, stand on God's word, that you are now born again. What proof? Search your Bible to learn Christian duty and step out in the faith that Christ will meet you and prove Himself to you. Then you will know; then you can shout, Yes—He waits to become your JOY-PEACE-CHEER-WISDOM-VICTORY all the way all the day.

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Grain Fees Raised One Cent Per Ton

Slight raises in fees for terminal weighing, inspection and other services of the state department of agriculture grain division went into effect March 1. Raises were at the rate of 1 cent per ton on grain. The new rate schedule includes separate items for inspecting and weighing flaxseed; sacked, 8 cents per ton, car lots; bulk, 6 cents per ton; cars with two or more lots, additional charge of per lot, 60 cents.

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