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When Benito Mussolini was reported to have sneered at the United States National Guard as "a bunch of boys who like to go on a two weeks picnic every summer" he stuck out his lantern jaw, as far as Ashland's Battery B members were concerned. Now at Camp Clatsop for annual training, the lads who like to lark under army pay will be firing their coast defense guns at mental images of one Italian dictator.

And although the Guardsmen admittedly are just young fellows who thoroughly enjoy summer camp, they're from the same die that produced American fighting units in 1917-18 who showed Europeans how to get off their hip pockets. The National Guard takes pride in its organization and citizens can bet their bottom dollar they'll give a good account of themselves in any circumstance.

Yes, at Camp Clatsop this year at least one coast defense battery will set new records of fire accuracy. With Mussolini to aim their muzzles at, they'll really make the spaghetti fly.

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AMERICANS BLUSH FOR THE SHAMES OF THEIR EUROPEAN FOREBEARS!

German and Italian citizens of the United States, although born or naturalized here, are understandably proud of the ancestral blood which flows through their veins, just as are descendants of other European races. But at this moment, perhaps, migrant families of once happy Italy have little to be proud of in the way Il Duce has handled the military and economic strength of the Roman empire.

Just as Americans with German tracings must blush at the vicious technique of Hitler, regardless of how justified they may believe his objective, so must Italian Americans feel apologetic for the cowardly timing of Benito Mussolini's entry into war.

Though war is an accepted necessary evil in the world, it never will become an admirable one and long before either side has exhausted its resources and butchered its manpower each will become weary and disheartened. The flush of victory is scant recompense for the slow but persistent realization of deliberate murder.

It is to be hoped that this time Europe's butchers will settle their problems with total victory as well as total war, but they won't. The evidence of history is proof of the futility of such carnage, but then when have truths of the past ever benefitted the present?

And Italy, by pouncing in at this time, can take her place in history as having done her canny bit to increase the inhumanity of the great debacle. It is little wonder that so many Europeans have fled to the United States.

HILTS NEWS

- The Hilt Ladies Aid society met Thursday afternoon in the club house with Mrs. H. DeJarnett, president, conducting the meeting. Devotionals were led by Mrs. Mary Laurentz. Others present were Mesdames T. Quamme, John De Witt, Frank Ward, Don Ward, William Gran, Fred Haynes, Elmer Jackson, Enzie Wright, Lillie B. Clevenger, Arthur Pedersen and children Sonny and Ruth, W. Holmberg and the Rev. Bernard Lowry. Following the business meeting refreshments of ice cream, cake and coffee were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Haynes and Mrs. Mary Laurentz.
- Warren Bayliss arrived home from Seattle, Wash., Sunday evening where he completed his first year at the University of Washington.
- A farewell party was given Saturday evening at Warren's confectionery by his many friends for Raymond Coleman and was very well attended. An evening of dancing, speeches and other entertain-

ment was enjoyed by all. Raymond left by train Sunday evening to spend the summer in St. Louis, Mo., with the St. Louis Browns baseball club.

- Walter Clevenger of the US navy is home on a two weeks leave, visiting his parents and friends.

- Mrs. Wade Roop entertained with a Sunday dinner for Edna Pursel, Monta Davis and Katherine Satterlee of Medford, where Mrs. Roop formerly was employed. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Humphreys and children of Medford also were Sunday visitors of the Roop family and all enjoyed a ride to Colestin springs in the evening.

- Gerald Goodwin and Harry Hemureques of Camp Wimer CCC, at Rogue River, spent the week-end in Hilt with Gerald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Goodwin.

- Miss Florence Mendes returned to Oakland Sunday after a two weeks visit with relatives.

- Mrs. Gwen Evans of Ogden, Utah, is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Haynes.
- Mrs. Alva Warrens and daughter Elizabeth of Durham are spending two weeks in Hilt.

PEN PORTRAITS of OREGON

DRAWN FOR THE MINER BY MAC PHERSON



GENERAL NELSON A. MILES.
GREAT INDIAN FIGHTER WHOSE CAPTURE OF THE FAMOUS CHIEFTAN JOSEPH, OCT. 1877, ENDED THE INDIAN WARS IN THE OREGON COUNTRY!!!

THE OREGON COUNTRY PRODUCED 29,686 POUNDS OF WOOL IN 1850.

● Mrs. Juanita Weston and daughter Donna Mae and sons Buddy and Daryl of Chico are visiting Mrs. Weston's sisters, Mrs. Ornan Lee and Mrs. Ed Wells.

People You Know!

- G. R. King of San Francisco is visiting in Ashland with his mother, Mrs. Malinda King.
- Dorothy Halfhill of Portland is visiting here for a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Halfhill.
- Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mayberry recently left for Merrill, where Mayberry will be employed.
- Mrs. Cliff McLean visited with friends in Eugene last week-end.
- Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Hardy this week attended graduation exercises in Eugene, where their daughter Ruth graduated from the University of Oregon.
- VerNetta Swartsley of Salem is visiting here this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Swartsley.
- Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jackson and Mrs. Mark True returned from Portland Sunday. They have been attending the rose festival.
- Mr. and Mrs. Bob Heath are the parents of a daughter born in Community hospital Monday.
- Carl Feighe and June McDougal made a trip to Lakeview Sunday.
- Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wolters Monday returned from Eugene, where they attended graduation exercises. Their daughter Charlotte graduated from the University of Oregon.
- Mrs. Pearl Wardle this week returned from Vancouver, Wash., where she has been visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Marshall Shields.
- Mr. and Mrs. James McNair of Corvallis recently arrived for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hal McNair. They are students at the University of Oregon.
- Don Walker recently arrived from Eugene and will be employed here for the summer.
- Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Burns and daughter Betty Jo visited with relatives in Dunsmuir Sunday.
- Mrs. Albert Davis underwent a

- major operation in the Community hospital Tuesday.
- Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Morgan visited with friends in Dunsmuir Monday.
- Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rose returned from a trip to Portland Sunday where they attended the rose festival.
- Ben Gibson of Klamath Falls was a business visitor early in the week.
- Mrs. Henley Clawson of Hornbrook was in Hilt Saturday evening.
- Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Samuelson and family of Marshfield spent the week-end in Hilt at the W. Holmberg home.
- Kenneth Bell of Klamath Falls spent the week-end at his home in Bellview.
- Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Anderson returned from Portland Sunday, where they attended the rose festival.
- Mr. and Mrs. Roland Parks Monday returned from a trip to Portland.

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