

The Editor Speaking

They used to sing "There's something about a soldier—" but newspaper correspondents must also have that "something," for in a British victory in Libya, a large number of Italians insisted on surrendering to an American newspaper man.

More enlightening bits of information from the German propaganda sheet, News in Review: "I never wished to rearm . . . it is only in Germany that the people, without a doubt decide their existence."

Speaking of propaganda, it seems to be hitting a new high in Mexico in an effort to detract the United States from its aid to Britain. News Week magazine tells us of recent axis-inspired stories that President Avila Camacho is secretly sending hundreds of Mexicans to the United States to be shipped to Britain so Uncle Sam can save his own man power. Fantastic as it may seem, it is said to have considerable influence on the illiterate mass in Mexico.

A news story tells of a steam shovel in Texas which made a deep excavation and proceeded to fall in same. Says the Oregonian, "A perfect description of Europe."

Many "rocket trade schools" have taken advantage of the demand for trained men in the defense industries and have muscled in on the legitimate ones. Anyone considering attending a trade school should take great care in investigating them beforehand.

Union labor seems to figure that in the hour of the nation's need it has a striking advantage—Western labor. And if their bickering and delays carry us down the road France took, they will find their victories to be empty ones. At the beginning of the war, German labor worked 10 hours a day seven days a week until the inefficiency of such long hours caused a reduction to a mere 60-hour week—and no strikes or walkouts.

Having been raised in the middle west, the big breeze of Wednesday evening brought back nostalgic memories. You still have something to be thankful for—at least the air wasn't black with dust.

After the wind Wednesday, Ashland looks like it had gone through an air raid, and Wednesday night we had a complete blackout with no warning signals.

Last week the sun shone in Ashland—chamber of commerce give credit.

The city park commissioners seem to think that spring 'has come' judging from the activity in their department.

We hear Medford plans on moving to Ashland to save trucking Medford products here daily.

Our few weeks of complete democracy are drawing to a close, personally speaking. The Dictator—the ruling power, the well—in her presence of course she is our "leading light," will be an added attraction (?) in this office next week. What this column then has to offer will be severely censored—so will we. If we hereafter seem rather meek, envision rolling pins and the bald headed end of a broom. We may later trade columns with the editor of "Seen in a Daze."

Schedule Arranged For Defense Training

The first meeting of the defense training class in operation, care and repair of tractors, trucks and automobiles was held Monday night at the high school. Sixteen were present and it is expected that five more will join the group.

After organizing and arranging for a schedule, the remainder of the time was given over to discussion of the use and care of tools. Clyde Caton will conduct the classes at his garage Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7 to 12.

E. J. FARLOW and Companion
Are Invited to Be Guests of the Southern Oregon Miner
To See Their Choice of the Following
Varsity Theater Programs:
(Friday and Saturday)
"CITY OF CONQUEST"
"ROUGH RIDERS' ROUND-UP"
(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)
"THE LETTER"
Please Call at The Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

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LUMBERJACKS TAKE SOCE PLAY AGAIN TONIGHT

The Humboldt State College Lumberjacks, victors over Southern Oregon College of Education at the Sons gym last night, will clash again tonight on the same court, a 7:30 prelim opening the affair. The SOCE girls drill team will be a special feature.

Humboldt State's Lumberjacks from Arcata, Calif. took a close 45-43 win over Southern Oregon College of Education here last night before a small crowd.

The lead changed hands several times during the hectic contest with Bassman, Fisher and Werner outstanding for the Sons and Bill Lee the big gun for the winners.

The Sons held a slim 20 to 19 lead at halftime.

Scoring follows:
SOCE, 43 Pos. Humboldt, 45
Crites, 9 F. 12, W. Lee
Sprayde, 4 F. 13, Longholm
Bassman, 10 C. 8, Goodwin
Fisher, 4 G. 4, Belcher
Hoefs, 4 G. 6, Savage
Substitutes: SOCE—DeAutremont, 4; Werner, 9, Humboldt—H. Lee, Flochini, Speer, Stashuk, Speer, 2. Officials, George and Ivan Harrington.

WORK BEGINS ON AHS FIELD

Work on the \$50,000 Walter Phillips athletic field began this week with the tearing out of the old fences and laying of pipe by a crew of 25 men under supervision of A. G. Hayes of the Medford WPA office. The next stage of the project work will be to level the large tract of ground on which the stand and fields are to be located.

The new stand will be of white frame construction and will seat over 1,000 persons. Beneath it will be located dressing rooms, showers, rest rooms, maintenance shop and drying rooms.

Increased Lumber Sales Help County

Supervisor Karl L. Janouch reports that increased timber sales mean a considerable increase in county income. The greater timber activity is indicated by collection of \$87,200 in the first six months of the present fiscal year as compared with the total of \$55,817 for the fiscal year ending last June.

This increased demand is due largely to military needs resulting from extensive national defense plans. Janouch says prices paid for timber on the Rogue River National forest are higher than in any other section of Washington or Oregon because of the presence of sugar pine and white pine. Two fir operations also are in progress now because of military demand for a high quality fir.

Jackson and Klamath counties receive the bulk of the Rogue River National forest payments for payments are distributed according to acreage of the forest lying within the county. The money goes into road and school funds of the counties and an additional 10 percent of timber receipts is spent by the forest service for road and trail construction.

NEW INTEREST SHOWN IN LITHIA DEVELOPMENT

Sinking of a well on the property of Guy Applewhite adjacent to the city lithia springs property has reawakened public interest in this little used resource of Ashland.

The city property is under lease to the Gas Ice Corporation of Washington and it is hoped that they soon will make use of the gas supply in development of a dry ice producing plant here.

Applewhite expects to finish sinking his prospect well this week-end and this should be a great help in determining the extent of the lithia supply.

LUNCHEON MEETING TO DISCUSS TOURNEY PLANS

Arrangements for the 14th annual SOCE basketball tournament will be discussed at a luncheon meeting at the Lithia hotel Monday noon, Feb. 10. Business men and civic leaders will be in attendance to work out plans for this big attraction.

PARKER HESS FETED

A group of 18 men gathered at the Plaza cafe Tuesday evening for a stag dinner honoring the marriage of Parker Hess to Miss Gertrude Wenner, which occurs this week. The guest of honor received a toastmaster set as a gift from the group with Ebe Dunn making the presentation.

Scouts to Hear President



Besides all the Boy Scouts in the country—a membership of 1,500,000 right now—all America will have an opportunity to hear President Roosevelt, Honorary President; Walter W. Head (right), President, and Dr. James E. West (left), Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America, mark the 31st anniversary of the Movement in the United States, over the NBC (Red), CBS and MBS networks, and many local stations not affiliated with the networks on Saturday, February 8, at 7:30 p. m., EST; 6:30 CST; 5:30 MST and 4:30 PST.

Scout Week Shows Scouts Big Support To Democracy

To do its part toward strengthening and invigorating democracy, the Boy Scout movement will, during Boy Scout week Feb. 7-13, reflect the national mood of the United States by readying its members for instant and effective action.

Scout troops in this community and through the country have prepared plans to quickly mobilize Scouts in the event of local or national crisis. These troops can often assemble their entire membership of high school age youth within one hour. Tests conducted by the local Scout councils all over the nation have indicated that the majority of communities can assemble their Boy Scouts in less time than any other group of similar size.

Pointing to numerous past emergencies, most notably the New England hurricane in 1938, Scout officials are justifiably proud of the long list of services rendered by these 12 to 16 year old boys during disasters. Scouts, quickly cooperating with the relief agencies in charge of rescue work, have performed yeoman duty. They served as orderlies and messengers, as well as conduct accurate censuses of damages following floods and storms, making relief work more valuable and eliminating waste effort.

Refugees look to these boys in the khaki suits and bright neckerchiefs for aid in emergencies. Scouts distribute food and aid in registering and identifying refugees. In times of distress thousands of handbills pointing out vital needs are quickly distributed by Scouts.

Cognizant of the necessity for Americans to be ready to act intelligently and efficiently in time of emergency both in peace and in war, the Boy Scouts of America are looking forward to future service opportunities. Each Boy Scout undergoes intensive training designed to ready him for effective action when cool-headed thinking is needed.

Boy Scouts are cooperating with American Red Cross and community chest authorities in the distribution of literature for public safety education. They serve, when practicable, as aids to police departments at large gatherings. Local fire departments seeking to eradicate community fire hazards make use of Scouts in their fight against waste.

With an eye to the United States' national defense program, Scout troops in many communities have mobilized to map and chart local counties to determine sources of surplus food supply and secure other data for the information of these authorities.

The whole program of the movement is built around the Boy Scout's motto: "Be Prepared!"

Grizzlies Prove Bad Medicine for Indians

The Ashland high Grizzlies, leading at every quarter, gave the giant Roseburg Indians their first conference set-back in the junior high gym here Friday night. The Grizzlies did the job so thoroughly they left no doubt in the minds of fans as to which was the better team and came out on top 36 to 26.

The Grizzlies led 9-5 at the end of the first period, 15 to 12 at halftime and at the end of the third quarter, 28-20. The Indians led only once in the game; briefly in the second period when they forged ahead 10-9.

Finlay, Roseburg guard, led all scorers with 12 points, and Charley Jandreau was next with 11, Provost and Weayer following with eight apiece.

After barely taking a win over Grants Pass last Friday night by a 28-29 score, Medford high Tigers finished the job Ashland started on Roseburg when they set the Indians down 30 to 17 at Medford Saturday night.

The two week-end losses by Roseburg makes the district hoop race a definite three-way affair now with the Grizzlies the more serious threat to the Indians' league leadership. Roseburg defeated Grants Pass 32 to 17 Tuesday night, Medford, a vastly improved ball club, with three wins and as many losses, cannot be considered out of the race. The Tigers are half through with their district schedule of 12 games, the Grizzlies have five more, Roseburg three, and Grants Pass, failing to register a conference win, plays four more games.

China has been made modern-minded by western movies.

Little Sons 110 Score Stops New Clock

The new electric score-keeping and timer clock installed in the Southern Oregon College of Education gymnasium for basketball, proved to be of little use.

The clock got its initiation Tuesday night when the Little Sons, Jean Eberhart's boys who need more experience for varsity competition, took on the Jacksonville Townies.

It seems the clock was manufactured to run a mere 99 points, but the Little Sons were not that easily satisfied and went ahead to defeat the Townies 110 to 15.

Registration Ousted By Unanimous Vote

Oregon's visitors traveling by automobile will no longer be required to register their cars under the provisions of Senate Bill No. 4, which has passed the house without a dissenting vote. The bill was the first through the senate, being unanimously approved, and also was the first senate bill to receive approval of the house.

Prepared and introduced at the request of Secretary of State Earl Snel, the bill bringing about this repeal places Oregon in line with many states that are doing all in their power to eliminate barriers between the states, and to promote free and uninterrupted flow of traffic, with the least possible inconvenience and delay to the traveling public.

In commenting upon the measure, Snel stated that the need for non-resident registration had long since passed with the lowering of license fees and that experience in handling this work had convinced him that it should be eliminated. He further stated that it would save the state some \$20,000 each biennium, which is the cost of the present service.

DELSMAN GOES TO FT. MONROE

By JACK BENTLEY

CAMP CLATSOP, Ore., Feb. 3—Capt. Charles H. Delsman, commanding Battery B, Ashland's National Guard unit, left early Monday morning for Fort Monroe, Va. where he will attend coast artillery school for the next few weeks. Lt. Lynn Neeley will be in command of Battery B during Captain Delsman's absence.

Captain Delsman commanded the unit two years ago when the home station was in Ashland, but resigned from active duty then, although he did remain in the guard in an inactive capacity. When he was called into active duty upon mobilization Nov. 1 he was reassigned to Battery B and has been in command since that time.

Initial preparations for moving into new barracks at Fort Stevens are being made the first of this week with actual moving to start Wednesday morning. It is expected that all equipment will be transferred by Saturday afternoon. The men have been looking forward to the move all winter but now that summer isn't far away most of them would like to stay in the tents here at Camp Clatsop. All mail for men in the battery should be addressed to Fort Stevens instead of Camp Clatsop hereafter.

Battery B has been following the progress of Ashland high and SOCE in their respective basketball leagues with keen interest. Each morning after one of the teams has played a game the boys turn to the sports pages to find the results. Everyone was especially pleased to hear of Ashland's startling victory over Roseburg. If the boys make it to the state tournament they can be assured of a strong following of Battery B rooters there.

Battery B still is going strong in the basketball league up here, although they did lose a non-league game to the Astoria coaches last week.

PERSONAL ITEMS
Sgt. Ken Schilling, PFC Harold Baughman, PFC Ardis Warren, PFC Ralph Lamb and PFC Joe Wurzer were visitors at Timberline Lodge last week-end.

Corp. James Curtis, Corp. Stan Coleman, PFC Jack Bentley, PFC Bud Neal, Pvt. Robert Burdic and PFC Howard Smith were visiting friends in Portland over the week-end.

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GALE CAUSES MUCH DAMAGE IN ASHLAND

A raging wind of gale proportions swept through Ashland Wednesday evening flattening small buildings, telephone and power lines, bill boards; breaking windows, and tearing off roofs and awnings. Resulting damage is estimated at many thousands of dollars.

No one was reported injured, but several had narrow escapes. J. F. Myers of Klamath Falls was especially lucky when a falling tree grazed the rear of his truck as he sped past. Earlier in the afternoon, the aerial tower atop the city hall blew over and smashed in the top of a car from which R. H. McNabb had just stepped.

Some of the more serious losses reported were damage to the armory roof, flattened burner and refuse pipes at the Pine Box company, long sections of downed telephone lines, and the loss of a roof at the Coggins mill. One of the first evidences of the storm was the buckling of the 40-foot neon sign atop the nine-story Lithia hotel. Force of the wind folded the upper half of the sign over and for a time it was feared that it might fall to the street. Many trees toppled, blocking streets and causing damage to buildings.

City firemen checked numerous flu fires and were called out by a slashing fire near the head of Roco street.

A storm off the coast of southern California, moving northeastward, was the cause of the blow, weather bureau officials stated.

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Candidates for Theme Girl Must Register

The Shasta Cascade Wonderland association's "Fun Festival" campaign has aroused considerable interest in this territory especially in regard to the selection of county "Welcomettes" and a "Miss Shasta-Cascade."

The campaign is part of the association's plan to glorify and dramatize its 1941 publicity and advertising of the recreational and scenic attractions of the Wonderland region and the fun, thrills and pleasures of the fairs, festivals, regattas, rodeos and other celebrations in its nine counties during the all-year "Fun Festival."

To all girls of this and other counties who take part, and especially to those selected for the then theme girls of the Wonderland and its nine counties, the association is offering generous cash prizes and participation in glamorous, thrilling events and ceremonies throughout the year.

All young ladies in this county interested in taking part are urged to apply to Treffie La Senay, campaign director, at the Jackson county headquarters, Medford hotel, Medford during the enrollment period Feb. 7 to 12 or at the Lithia hotel in Ashland Feb. 13.

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