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ADEQUATE COAST DEFENSE ESSENTIAL

Now that the United States of America is in the thick of World War No. 2, considerable anxiety is being expressed by Oregon citizens relative to defenses, or perhaps it would be more appropriate to say lack of defenses, on the Oregon coast and over Oregon in general. It is fully appreciated that the army was caught by surprise just as much as the civilian population, and that as quickly as the several units comprising our fighting forces can be moved there will be as adequate defense for our entire coast line as modern military science is capable of devising.

Because of lack of war industries in particular and many other industries that contribute to national defense in a big way, it is possible that the would-be invaders prefer to attack those sections of the coast where war industries are in operation on a huge scale. Failing in a successful attack on these industrial centers, the bandits, just for the sake of infusing more terror in their campaign, might take a notion to give a less protected area a blitzing in an effort to lower the morale of the citizenry. It is such a possibility that makes many of us wish there were more training camps on the Oregon and northern California coast line. We are not borrowing trouble or "seeing things" when we visualize a blitz attack on our lovely Oregon coast, with nobody knows how much damage and loss of life resulting therefrom.

It would be a further relief to know that the proposed cantonment for the Rogue River valley will be a reality in a short time. Without doubt location of a large military force in this vicinity would mark this section for enemy attacks, but that is one of the hazards we have to face in seeking adequate protection. Let us hold the thought that Oregon will receive more recognition in a military way and in the meantime let our citizens do their share toward national defense uncomplainingly.

About People You Know

- J. C. Walls, who has been working in northern California, has returned to his home in Ashland.
- C. C. Chapman of Hornbrook, Calif. was a business visitor in Ashland Tuesday.
- Miss Mary Avery, Bob Avery and Art Struve returned Sunday from a two-weeks trip during which they visited friends in Dunsuir and San Francisco.
- J. A. Youngs who spent several weeks visiting relatives and friends in eastern Oregon has returned to Ashland.
- Mrs. Maude Clemenson and daughter, Miss Camille Clemenson, attended a joint convention of Oregon and Washington hotels in Portland last week-end.
- Mr. and Mrs. Walter Winkler are in Portland where Mr. Winkler has entered a hospital for medical treatment.
- Ed Hookstra who has been visiting in Portland and points in Washington has returned to Ashland.
- Floyd Purvis of Redding, Calif. is visiting in Ashland with friends and relatives.
- Miss Hazel Bruner, teacher in the Yuba City, Calif. schools, spent several days visiting relatives in Ashland last week.
- Mr. and Mrs. T. J. O'Hara and children of Chiloquin are visiting relatives and friends in Ashland.

BELLVIEW NEWS

- A group of the Bellview grangers went to Gold Hill Thursday night to attend the agate meeting of Gold Hill grangers. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kincaid, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Carter, Mrs. Val Inlow and Ray Inlow and Miss Marie Walker.
- Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bennett of Medford were guests of Mrs. Bennett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Applegate, Saturday and Saturday night.
- George Yockel and Elmer Byrd left Monday morning for Burlingame, Calif. with a truck load of Christmas trees.
- The Bellview Embroidery club met Thursday with Mrs. Roy Crow. A 1 o'clock luncheon was served, after which the group enjoyed visiting and needle work. Present were Mrs. George Helms, Mrs. Herman Helm, Mrs. Edwin Dunn, Mrs. Claude Conley, Mrs. H. B. Christlieb and the hostess, Mrs. Crow.
- Miss Lottie Beswick is confined to her home with the flu.
- Allen Miller, who has been visiting at the R. E. Bell home since Thanksgiving, returned to Seattle Monday where he will be employed. Mrs. Miller will join him later, having remained for a longer visit with her parents.
- D. F. Reynolds left Monday night for southern California with two truck loads of Christmas trees. He also will visit relatives while there.
- Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Applegate made a trip to Montague, Calif. Sunday afternoon.
- Mrs. A. R. Kincaid made a business trip to Medford Thursday.
- Mrs. M. A. Ring who has been confined to her home from illness is still in bed, but some better.
- Mr. and Mrs. John Arnold who have been living at Dallas, have moved to Medford where John was transferred. He is an employe of the Southern Pacific, working in the office department.
- A group of grange members met Tuesday night at the Wade Wallis home to practice for the Christmas play which they will present Dec. 16. Mrs. Byrd is chairman of the play.
- The members of Bellview P-TA will have their Christmas party Friday, Dec. 19 at the school house for the pupils.
- More helpers are badly needed for aircraft observation stations located near Herb Moore's.
- Mr. and Mrs. Norburg and son spent Sunday at Prospect, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Warren.

MARY ELIZABETH BRUNER

Funeral services for Mary Elizabeth Bruner, 85, were held Monday afternoon from the Litwiller Funeral home. Mrs. Bruner, who had been suffering from ill health for several years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Yeo, Saturday. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. James Yeo, Ashland; Mrs. Norman Ashcraft, Canyonville, and Hazel Bruner of Yuba City, Calif.

LOCAL GIRL IN HONORARY

Marilyn Christlieb of Ashland was chosen for membership in Pi Lambda Theta, women's national educational honorary at the University of Oregon. She was initiated last Saturday evening at a special ceremony on the campus.

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