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PROMOTING ALIEN IDEALS

MANY good people in the United States are opposed, as a matter of principle, to state socialism as it is being promoted in this country through federal power development as an offshoot of flood control, navigation projects, etc. Private enterprise cannot compete with government in business. We have seen this demonstrated in the power field in Tennessee. Today we are witnessing the determined drive to give federal power projects on the Columbia river the right to take over any and all private power industries in Washington and Oregon.

They cannot reconcile themselves to this trend, for they know that once it is established, it will be extended to other industries. They have witnessed the ultimate in state socialism in Germany, where the individual is as near a pawn of the state as it is possible for a human being to be. With all the power of regulation that government has over industry, they can see no reason for it owning and operating industry to the exclusion of private citizens.

Why, instead of going into business in competition with private citizens, as government is doing in the power field, can it not sell power, its "by-product" of navigation and flood control, to private companies to be distributed by them under suitable public regulation, with all savings passed on to the consumer? This would be the democratic way to run a democracy, rather than to use the might of government to limit the field of activity of private citizens.

HEAVIER TRAFFIC CREATES ROAD PROBLEMS

A REPORT on traffic conditions in Oregon, both railroad and highway, brings to light the fact that new hazards confront the motorist. The secretary of state's office calls attention to the speeding up of freight due to the war and warns car drivers of the dangers at rail crossings. Not only have more trains been added, but the speed of all trains has been increased (on the other side of the mountains, of course).

"Railroads are carrying a tremendous volume of war necessities today and they are traveling at higher speeds at the request of army authorities," the report states. "Consequently, there are more trains each day and this means increased hazards at grade crossings. Citizens should bear in mind this important fact: an accident at a grade crossing today is very likely to mean the loss of life due to the speed of trains. Furthermore, it may mean costly delays at a time when speedy schedules are of vital importance. So it is up to every individual to exercise extreme caution at grade crossings to avoid being involved in a railroad accident."

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

THE MINER can not let the opportunity pass to express a word of appreciation to the Ashland Choral club, its director and accompanist. These people have worked hard during the winter months to prepare for the annual spring concert, while at the same time appearing at numerous functions in and out of the city. Were it not for their deep appreciation of the value of good music it would not be the privilege of many other music lovers of the community to enjoy so many high class programs. It is fitting to add that Ashland is indeed fortunate to have such talent as Mrs. Epler, both as a soloist of rare ability and an equally good director, and Mrs. Huffman, whose artistic accompanying always adds merit to any program where she appears.

This paper is not unmindful of the good work being done in the public schools and the college where our young people are being taught the value of good music and where it has been our privilege to enjoy splendid programs. All in all, this comparatively small community is blessed with a wealth of musical talent and the facilities for developing a higher cultural life.

As we draw near the close of National Music week it can be said with a measure of pride that Ashland is truly adding its bit in welding "American unity through music."

We might suggest that soldiers do not get time and a half for overtime—and what mother gets by on a 40-hour week?

A lot of people will quit worrying about reducing when their tires give out.

No dime ever looks as big as the one we drop on the church collection plate.

MRS. AMERICA IN THE WAR

- "Army" Needs Recruits
- Citrus Substitutes
- Cultus Playing Cards
- More Sugar—Maybe
- Phoneless New Homes
- Sh-h! Those Girdles Again
- Watch Your Ice Box

WHEN your butcher's refrigerator breaks down, he can get materials for repair, but when Mrs. America's ice box gets temperamental, she'll be out of luck. There'll be no priority rating of any kind available for repairs to household refrigerators. So take care of yours from now on as serious business. That means keeping it clean and properly oiled and, particularly, not forgetting to defrost it regularly.

GET your shopping bag ready! Effective May 15, carriers are forbidden to make any special deliveries whatever, call back on the same day in an attempt to deliver goods or make more than one delivery to a person in a single day. And from June 1, delivery mileage must be cut 25 percent in addition to these restrictions.

DUCKS dripping with peanut oil are a familiar sight in the windows of San Francisco's Chinatown. And soon Mrs. America may be taking a tip from the Chinese and also using peanut oil for certain kinds of cooking. There are threatened shortages in other fats and oils and government home economists say that peanut oil is good for frying, particularly foods which are served cold, such as potato chips. It is also good for greasing all types of baking dishes or tins.

WITH all the talk about drafting women for war work, you've probably overlooked the fact that there's a women's army in Washington, D. C. right now. And it needs recruits. Stenographers, clerical workers of all kinds, women with special technical skills are desperately needed in the nation's capital. For qualified women with a sincere desire to help the war effort, here is a timely opportunity to be of service—a way for Miss America to meet the war!

IF ORANGES or grapefruit are high or unavailable, could you name two vegetables with similar dietary values? A recent government nutrition survey showed that most housewives attempt to serve citrus fruits regularly, but they don't know that both raw cabbage and tomatoes are acceptable substitutes. Both of these vegetables have the same protective values as oranges and grapefruit—a fact to remember if you're working on a modest budget.

YOUR new playing cards are going to get dog-eared and sticky and be much harder to shuffle than the old ones. The slick varnish finish on playing cards is a natural resin, and for this purpose there is no known substitute. No natural resins are found in this country or even in this hemisphere. The war is using all resins, synthetic or natural, for plastics and paints.

THE HOME canning sugar allowance has been set at five pounds per person. Your local rationing boards will issue special sugar purchase certificates to one member of the family, and each certificate will state the total amount of sugar the holder may purchase. There is a possibility that if any change is made it will be one of addition rather than subtraction.

PERHAPS you were a little annoyed when you read not long ago that you couldn't have an extension on your telephone. Now you should feel happy if you have a telephone! All new installations have been brought under strict government control, and only persons in direct war work or in occupations essential to the public welfare can be sure of getting new service. Next year telephone companies expect to deny 200,000 applications for residential phones.

WHEN you start on your spring housecleaning, get out a walnut or pecan along with your scrub brushes. The OPA Consumer-Scrub brushes. The OPA Consumer-little scratches on wooden furniture, all you have to do is rub each one thoroughly with a nut meat. And in sprucing up varnished furniture, here's another tip! White spots, caused by water or hot dishes, can be removed by rubbing lightly with a piece of flannel dampened with spirits of camphor or essence of pepper-

ment. Then use a furniture polish. GIRDLES have proved as much of a government headache as some production problems. The latest regulation is this: in order to make supplies now on hand last as long as possible, the amount of elastic fabric that may be used in foundation garments has been reduced 50 percent. This will extend production at least eight or nine months. Since there are still large retail stocks, this means that women will continue to be held in line for many months to come.

BELLEVUE NEWS

- The Bellevue grange met Tuesday evening. During the business meeting Donald Nichols was elected to the scholarship to the 4-H summer school at Corvallis the first two weeks in June. Steve Carter, chairman of the recreation committee, reported that he had registered the grange hall for use by the county recreation committee for entertainment of soldiers from Camp White when the hall wasn't in use for community affairs. The home economics club of the grange met Thursday and worked all day on comforters for the emergency hospital. The hospitality committee, Mrs. R. D. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rice, William Lindsay and Jake Royston, served refreshments at the close of the meeting.
- Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moore and small son returned to their home in Salem Sunday after visiting for several days with Carl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moore.
- Paul McKinnis who underwent a major operation at the Community hospital Tuesday is reported improving.
- Mrs. Grace Maier of Ashland was a dinner guest at the Mark True home Thursday evening. She will leave soon for Portland to make her home.
- Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hamaker Larry Hunter and Veima Brower were Sunday evening callers at the A. R. Kincaid home.
- Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lanini and baby, Sandra Jean, of Eugene spent the week-end with Johnnie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Lanini.
- Mrs. C. M. Haynes returned last week from Central Point where she spent a few days with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Parks.
- Miss Dorothy Faught of Klamath Falls spent Monday with her cousin, Mary Jean Henry.
- William Siebert from Fall River, Minn. arrived Sunday to spend the summer with his brother, Warren E. Siebert. He is employed at the Pernel-Gertsen mill.
- Mrs. Ed Grimm returned Friday from Klamath Falls where she visited with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clary and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sexton.
- Mrs. John Prideaux returned to her Portland home Wednesday after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Joy.
- The Birthday club honored Miss Marie Walker on her birthday anniversary Sunday at her home, with a covered dish luncheon. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. R.

Kincaid, Eunice Kincaid, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davis and daughter Lyda Catherine, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Pankey, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gowland, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stenrud, Mrs. Sorenson, Earl Warren, Mrs. M. C. Haynes, and guest of honor, Miss Marie Walker.

● R. D. Reynolds who has been ill for the past several months is slowly improving.

● The Upper Valley Community club will meet next Wednesday for an all-day session. Mrs. E. S. Heydenburk of Grants Pass, president of the Southern Oregon Federated clubs, will be present to install new officers.

MRS. BRUCE HOSTESS TO PREACHERS' WIVES

Mrs. G. W. Bruce was hostess to the Preachers' Wives club Tuesday afternoon at her home 117 Laurel street. Following an afternoon of fellowship the hostess served dainty refreshments at the

large dining table which was centered with spring flowers. Rev. J. R. Turnbull and Dr. Bruce "happened in" just in time for refreshments. Those in attendance were Mrs. J. R. Turnbull, Mrs. J. R. Poet, Mrs. L. P. Furman, Mrs. E. J. Wine, Ester Wine and Jeanie Turnbull.

Plans were made for the next meeting to be in the form of a covered dish dinner for the ministers' families to be held at the home of Mrs. Poet on the evening of June 8.

EXAMINER COMING

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs will be at the city hall in Ashland between the hours of 9 a. m. and 3 p. m. Monday, May 11. Those wishing permits or licenses to drive cars are asked to get in touch with the examiner during these hours.

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