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DO YOUR PART FOR THE RED CROSS!

THIS AND THAT

(By OLD TIMER)
To the Editor:
As the OPA is "freezing" everything in sight, it will likely be a cool summer.

That two-ounce weekly allowance of cheese can be used to bait a mouse trap or two.

"What's cookin'?" Well, it will depend largely on how wisely you checked your ration points.

Hard liquor is now rationed in Oregon, the weekly individual allowance being — one quart of whisky and four-fifths of a quart of gin. A long time between drinks for the bibulously inclined, says Uncle Zeke.

With the allied war machine now rolling in high gear, the Dark continent must look positively black to Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini.

The open-armed welcome extended Mme. Chiang Kai-shek just about kills that old simile about a "Chinaman's chance."

Looks like the Russians are trying to see if they can't recapture as many cities as we sink Jap ships in a day.

Remember the only thing to hoard is War Savings Bonds.

Have you contributed to the Red Cross?

—BUY BONDS—

THREE PARTIES AT USO

Last week's square dance at the Ashland USO was a lively affair with two sets going. Dance figures were called by L. H. Pankey and music was furnished by Barney Garrett and Miss Garrett. This affair was a practice event, and the next regular square dance will be Wednesday, March 31, at which time a convoy will come from Camp White.

An informal dance is on the program for the evening of March 24. Miss Frances Dodds, director of the Ashland USO, urges junior hostesses and dance recruits to attend.

Friday, Mar. 26, the USO sponsors a roller skating party at the Ashland armory. Junior hostesses who like to skate are urged to attend. A party will gather at the clubhouse at 7:30 to go from there to the armory. After the skating party, the group will return to the clubhouse for refreshments and dancing.

—BUY BONDS—

SERVICE MEN PARTIAL TO TWO MAGAZINES

The following appeal comes from the chairman of the USO Library Committee, "The Ashland USO Library furnishes many pleasant hours to our soldiers at Camp White. From observation we note that comic magazines and Esquire are very popular. We would appreciate it very much if anyone having late copies of these magazines would donate them to our library.

"We wish to express our appreciation to Harry Chipman who so kindly donated several current magazines to our USO every month. Also to all the citizens who have so generously contributed books and magazines to keep our library well supplied. If it is impossible to bring your magazines to the USO, please call Florence Farlow, library chairman, or co-chairmen, Rosetta Durham and Mary Healey."

Signed: Florence Farlow
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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gibbs on March 14, a daughter

T. E. FOWLER and Companion
Are Invited to Be Guests of the SOUTHERN OREGON MINER to see
at the VARSITY THEATRE (Friday and Saturday)
"ACROSS THE PACIFIC" and
"MR. and MRS. NORTH" or
(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)
"DESPERATE JOURNEY"

Please call at the Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

RED CROSS FINDS ARGRAVES

Another mother in Oregon is expressing thanks to God and praising the Red Cross for the word that has just come through from Africa that her son, reported "missing" since Dec. 28, has been located in an Italian prison camp, and that he is "well, uninjured, and safe." This is Mrs. Jack W. Argraves, 532 Southeast 20th, Portland, who, with her husband and daughter, have been anxiously awaiting further news.

The son, Corporal Keith Argraves, graduate of the Talent, Oregon High School, and a student for two years in the Southern Oregon College, was inducted into the army from Klamath Falls. He was attached to the 509th Paratroop Infantry with Col. Edson Raff's paratroopers, who went into North Africa in November of last year. Being a Seventh-Day Adventist church member, and conscientiously objecting to bearing arms, Keith in action was loaded with first aid and medical supplies, instead of sidearms. After the other men (from five to ten of them) had jumped from the plane to land behind the enemies' lines, he would follow and with his kit give first aid and medical help to his wounded buddies. The dangers to which he was exposed and his faith in Divine protection are suggested by this uncensored sentence in a letter to his mother, written just nine days before he was reported missing in action: "When you lie on the ground by the hour and death rains out of the sky, then you look for some help far greater than guns and men."

A card from Keith himself came with the communication through the Red Cross and the War Department to the family, and he expects soon to be able to give them an address by which they can reach him.

—BUY BONDS—

TALENT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. George Clark purchased property of Mrs. Elizabeth Huson on Wagner Avenue and moved there Saturday. Mrs. Huson and family are living in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Estes of Crescent City arrived in Talent Monday to visit relatives and friends. They were former residents.

It was reported last year that Wayne Combest, son of Tiny Combest, was among those missing in the battle of the Philippines. Later through the Red Cross he was found to be a prisoner of the Japs at Corregidor. A letter has been lately received from him by his father.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Miller and family moved to Ashland on a place located on the old Mine road north of Ashland.

Mr. C. L. Jones of Anderson Creek was a Talent caller Monday.

Buy your Memorials now for Decoration Day.

(Mrs.) M. T. Burns. —On the Plaza. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fossmann were shopping in Medford Monday.

Students of the Junior High School will present a play, "Murder Mansion" on April 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lamb of Butte Falls called on Mr. and Mrs. Roy Estes, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Keener moved into the Butterfield property recently vacated by C. E. Miller and family.

Russell Parks made a business trip to Prospect Saturday.

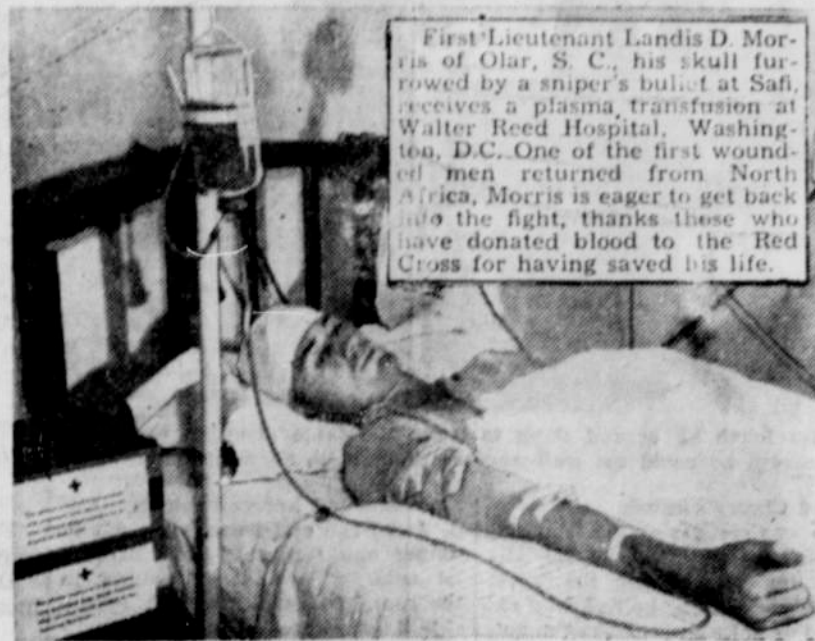
Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Perkins have taken residence at the Talent Camp ground.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Skerters of Prospect were in Talent Saturday evening. They also went to Ashland to see Mr. Skeeter's father who is very ill.

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BRIGGS APPOINTED RAILROAD ATTORNEY

Wm. M. Briggs, Attorney in Ashland, was recently appointed attorney for the Southern Pacific Railroad of Jackson County. The late A. E. Reamer of Medford was the attorney for many years. Upon the vacancy caused by his death, Briggs was appointed to succeed him.



First Lieutenant Landis D. Morris of Olat, S. C., his skull furrowed by a sniper's bullet at Safi, receives a plasma transfusion at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C. One of the first wounded men returned from North Africa, Morris is eager to get back into the fight, thanks those who have donated blood to the Red Cross for having saved his life.

Washington, D. C. — A landing at Safi, white robed Arabs ignoring rifle fire to bum cigarettes, a bullet's sting and a doctor pumping life-saving plasma into his veins—these are vivid recollections of Lieutenant Landis D. Morris of Olat, South Carolina.

One of the first wounded men returned from North Africa to Walter Reed Hospital here, Morris can joke now as he waits for an ugly gutter wound in his skull to heal.

"I made the mistake of sticking my head up twice in the same place," he says with a grimace. "That's how the sniper got me." Then more seriously:

"That doctor was a whiz. Kept humming all the time he was taking out bones. If it hadn't been for blood plasma, I guess I wouldn't be here today."

Morris isn't the first soldier whose life has been saved by plasma from the Red Cross. The miracles began at Pearl Harbor and have been happening ever since.

Returning recently from North Africa, Major General James C. Magee, surgeon general of the Army, told of case after case in which plasma has meant the difference between life and death. "In one instance," he says, "four hundred men were badly burned aboard ship. Treatment was given promptly and all except

B. M. Clute and son of Applegate visited several days at the Larkin Grubb home.

James G. Mackie spent several days in Portland this week on business.

six recovered. Blood plasma gets the credit to a very large degree."

In Alaska, a rescue party headed by Major Milo Fritz hiked on snowshoes to reach a pilot who had crashed on an isolated mountain range. They got there just in time for plasma transfusions to pull him out of shock caused by a broken leg and ten days' exposure.

Out of the jungles of New Guinea comes a direct plea to America for more plasma. According to Major Simon Warmenhover, formerly of St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids, plasma gets A-1 priority right up to the battle lines.

"We need it, all we can get, right now," he says.

"I don't know who donated the blood that saved my life," says Morris. "But if the people in the United States only knew what it means to us out there on the battlefield—well, I think we could count on them to give the four million pints the Army and Navy have asked the Red Cross to collect this year."

Unfortunately, not everyone can give blood to the Red Cross, but they can contribute to the 1943 War Fund for \$125,000,000, part of which will be used to support this phase of the Red Cross program which often means the difference between life and death to American fighting men.

Miss Cora Mason attended a library convention in Portland last week.

Mrs. O. Winter returned home early this week from a visit in Portland.

BELLVIEW NEWS

The Bellview Grange held their regular meeting Tuesday evening, March 16. During the business session the members voted to donate \$10.00 to the Red Cross. Mrs. A. R. Kinkaid announced a meeting of the Home Economic Club to be held at her home on Thursday. They will start work on the aprons for the bazaar for next fall. Mrs. Henry Lectures presented a short program at the close of the meeting.

The Bellview P. T. A. observed "Dad's Nite" Friday evening at the school house, the men having entire charge of the program and refreshments. A large crowd was in attendance. The P. T. A. is sponsoring the Red Cross Drive and work in the Bellview District. Buy your memorials now for Decoration Day.

(Mrs.) M. T. Burns. —On the Plaza.

The Red Cross class under the direction of Mrs. Roy Frazier held their meeting Monday afternoon in the cafeteria at the school house. About nine ladies were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brickley of Portland, who are visiting relatives in Ashland, were calling on friends in Bellview Monday. Mrs. Brickley will be remembered as Miss Lucine Lebow.

Mrs. Floyd Sanford was able to return to his work at Camp White Monday after an attack of the flu.

Henry Lanni returned home Wednesday from Portland where he had taken his examination for the Army. Harry Henry and Laverne Marsen left this week to be inducted into the army.

Mr. and Mrs. Reese Hays of Napa, Calif. are visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hays.

Mrs. John Kessler returned Tuesday to her home in San Diego after spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bell. Mrs. Bell accompanied her home for a visit.

Miss Esther Wade is employed in a box factory at Hill, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Farmer moved to their new home last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harbert and family, who had been living on the ranch left last week for Watsonville, California where they plan to make their home.

Mrs. Warren E. Siebert of Cottage Grove arrived last Friday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Martin.

Mrs. Arthur Taylor is substituting this week at the school for Mrs. Nye who was taken ill last week.

A group of Grangers met and started work on the installation of the furnace at the Grange Hall last Saturday.

The Sanders Green House.

Mrs. Geo. Helms is employed at

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W. S. GUILD ENTERTAINS

Following the Sunday evening service at the Methodist Church the Wesleyan Service Guild entertained at a social hour. Guests included Chaplain Roy H. Boldt, who had delivered the evening sermon on the subject: "Desperate Characters"; six soldiers who had helped with the musical program; all other soldiers present at the service; the pastors of the cooperating churches, Dr. George W. Bruce and Rev. Howard G. Eddy, and several other friends. Miss Voda Brower, president of the Guild, was in charge of the affair.

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ANNIVERSARY SERVICE TO BE HELD SOON AT CHURCH

Dr. G. W. Bruce, Methodist pastor announces that the Third Annual Service honoring all couples who have been married fifty or more years will be held Sunday evening, April 11.

He will appreciate it very much if you will notify him of any couples you may happen to know who would qualify as above for an invitation. The details of the program are being worked out by the several committees and will be announced in the near future.

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TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

Closing a most successful year, the Annual Meeting of the Congregation of the First Presbyterian Church will be held at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday March 28th, the Moderator, Rev. H. G. Eddy presiding. Immediately following, the Corporate Meeting will be held. President of the Trustees, W. W. Robison, presiding

OREGON UNDER TWO FLAGS

Events moved quickly at the isolated post of Astoria. Wilson Price Hunt was in charge of the company's affairs on the Columbia and, in his absence, Duncan McDougall was in command. Tiring of single blessedness, McDougall took as wife the comely daughter of Chief Concomly, the one-eyed chief of the Chinooks, and the old warrior was mightily proud of his white son-in-law. To add to Astor's worries, the War of 1812-14 brought more grief. He outfitted the Enterprise to sail with supplies for Astoria, and persuaded the Government to send the U. S. frigate Adams as an escort. As the ships were about to sail, the Adams was assigned to other duties, and the Enterprise remained in port.

One day, John George McTavish of the Northwest Fur Co. paddled down the Columbia bearing news that the United States and England were at war. Hunt was absent on a trading venture at this time, so McDougall was in charge. The latter's loyalty to Great Britain was stronger than his attachment to Astor, so he sold the Americans down the river, disposing of the fort, lock, stock and barrel to the Northwest Company for one-third of its value.

On November 30, 1813, the British warship Raccoon, Capt. Black, appeared in the harbor. The young Americans were for nailing the Stars and Stripes to the flagpole, and old Concomly was for fighting it out with the British. On McDougall's refusal to fight, the old chief lamented the fact that his daughter had married a "squaw." Captain Black hauled down the American flag and hoisted the British colors for its brief reign over the Columbia. In August, 1818, the American sloop-of-war Oniario, Capt. James Biddle, arrived on the Columbia and claimed possession in the name of the United States. On October 1, the British ship Blossom, Captain Hickey, appeared. On board were John B. Prevost, representing the United States and James Keith of the Northwest Co. With proper ceremonies the British flag was lowered and Old Glory again fluttered to its rightful place in the breezes of the Old Oregon Country.

—BUY BONDS—

C OF C MEMBERS PRAISE WORKERS

Members of the Board of Directors of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce, at a recent meeting, took official notice of the volunteer work being done by local women in conducting the Ashland USO. G. H. Billings, acting president of the group, stated that the members asked him to express their sincere appreciation of the services given the community by Mrs. Will Dodge who has carried a heavy responsibility as president of the USO Council. Mr. Billings stated: "We want Mrs. Dodge and other women who have carried the responsibility and leadership of the local USO to know that it is appreciated. We feel that the work done there is very much worthwhile because of the fine character which they have given it. These things help a lot but they also take a lot out of the folks who give them. So, thanks very much."

Mrs. Dodge, who has been a member of the USO Council since its beginning, has given much thought and countless hours of service to the cause, as have scores of Ashland women who serve as hostesses and who contribute time, money and effort to aid otherwise in the conduct of the USO work.

—BUY BONDS—

CONGREGATIONAL LADIES CHOOSE USO PROJECT

Mrs. Jewell Lockhart, secretary of the USO, announces that the Congregational ladies have volunteered to bring home made cookies to the USO clubhouse every third Wednesday. "These ladies," she stated, "thought they would like to do something for the USO and decided that this would be their project. The USO Council and staff are very grateful for this monthly contribution."

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat

MEN OF THE RAILROADS.

THE PIONEER AMERICAN STEAM LOCOMOTIVE, TOM THUMB, COVERED 15 MILES ON ITS RUN IN 1830, ATTAINED A SPEED OF 4 MILES AN HOUR. BUILDER, PETER COOPER, WAS THE CREW-ENGINEER AND FIREMAN.

FROM THIS MODEST BEGINNING HAS GROWN —

TODAY'S VAST ARMY OF MORE THAN A MILLION RAILROAD MEN, DOING DOUBLE DUTY, DELIVERING 12,500 CARLOADS OF SUPPLIES DAILY FOR OUR ARMED FORCES AND OUR ALLIES, MOVING TROOPS AT THE RATE OF 700 MILLION PASSENGER MILES A MONTH GIVING THEIR ALL-OUT SERVICE IN THE COUNTRY'S TOTAL WAR EFFORT. UNCEASING WORK IS NEEDED TO WIN.