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THIS AND THAT
(By OLD TIMER)

To the Editor:

Is it any wonder there is a manpower shortage? For every five soldiers in uniform, there are two civilians on the Federal payroll. The last official check of civilians working for the Government gave the number as 3,029,000. World War I the figure was 918,000.

The likely post-war debt of 300 billions declared by Rep. Albert J. Engel (R) of Michigan double the "assessed value of every piece of property, real and personal, tangible and intangible each state in the Union is placing on its assessment rolls." The national debt of World War I was approximately \$27 billion, including \$11 billion loaned to foreign countries.

One of Mussolini's biggest mistakes, it seems, was that the ability to stick out one's chin and scream at people was the acme of statesmanship.

It costs about one and one-half billion dollars a day to fight the war. Uncle Sam is shouldering about one fourth of the total cost. This explains why taxes are rising and more bonds must be bought.

Uncle Zeke says he has been bombing too, daytime he swats flies, at night mosquitoes.

A surplus of potatoes is now reported. If this trend speaks of beef, good!

Life must be tough for the Swiss who elect a new president every year.

And the Japs skiddooed from Alaska. Good riddance.

These are gloomy days for Hitler and Hirohito.

Football hair is sprouting.

Herb Specht of Alturas, Calif. is in Ashland several days on business.

VESPER SERVICE SUNDAY

The usual Sunday evening Vesper Service will be held at the band stand in Lithia Park. The Rev. Gordon C. Griffin, pastor of the first Baptist Church, will preach.

It is hoped that the Methodist male quartet will sing a few numbers.

WERTH-BRADEN NUPTIALS

Miss Beatrice Marie Werth, daughter of Louis Werth and Cpl. William Delphin Braden of Siloam Springs, Arkansas were united in marriage at the local Methodist parsonage last Friday with Dr. George W. Bruce reading the marriage lines.

Mrs. Braden was graduated from Ashland High School and the Southern Oregon College of Education and has been teaching several years. Corp. Braden has been in the service a year and has been released to return to his farm in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rogers have returned to their home in Bellview. Mr. Rogers was stationed at Farragut, Idaho and was released from the service because of physical disability.

WHY NOT??

On about one half the light posts throughout the city there are enameled metal signs warning motorists of the parking limits—none of them for more than two hour periods. Yet in many places cars are parked near those warnings for 6-8 and 10 hours at a time.

If the signs are of no value as warnings, let's convert them into scrap to lick the Jap.

LLOYD SELBY

and Companion
Are Invited to Be Guests of the
SOUTHERN OREGON MINER
to see

at the VARSITY THEATRE

(Friday and Saturday)

"THE HARD WAY"

AND

"SAGEBRUSH LAW"

OR

(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)

"HUMAN COMEDY"

Please call at the Miner Office
for Your Guest Tickets

Sponsors Contest
For KOG Members

An opportunity for the hundreds of young people of Jackson county who are members of the Green Guard to compete for valuable war bonds or merchandise was revealed here today by Herbert Grey, county Keep Oregon Green chairman.

This state-wide contest will be open to every Green Guard member, the county chairman pointed out, and information including contest rules is being mailed to every registered Guard from Salem headquarters of KOG by Edward Campbell, Green Guard state director. Contest closes September 15th.

Green Guards who enter the contest will be judged on the basis of points awarded for activities during the summer. Points will be awarded for new members obtained and for summer work.

First Prize - Will be bicycles to the outstanding boy or girl Guard, or \$37.50 cash value in war bonds.

Second Prize - Will be a dressing table for the girl and a set of golf clubs for the boy, or \$25 in war bonds and stamps.

Third Prize - Will be sleeping bags for boys and girls. Three of these will be offered, and here again you may take your prizes in \$12.50 in war saving stamps.

Fourth Prize - Will be 20 Green Guard sweaters with the Green Guard shield, to be awarded both boys and girls, or you may take \$5 in war saving stamps.

Fifth Prize - Will be 40 Green Guard sport shirts or \$2.50 in war saving stamps. These will be awarded both boys and girls.

Sixth Prize - Will be 100 Green Guard "T" shirts or \$1 in war saving stamps. These are for both boys and girls.

To be eligible for first or second prize, a Guard must write a 500 word essay on the subject "Why We Keep Oregon Green", and send this in, along with completed manual and service record. Also send the names and addresses of new members secured. These essays will also count toward the score for third and fourth prizes. Fifth and sixth prizes will be awarded on the basis of summer's activities as evidenced by manual and service record and report of all new members enrolled.

To be eligible for any of these worth-while prizes, a Guard must be an active member in 1943. He must have his complete record for the summer in a manual and mail to Green Guard Headquarters, State Forestry Bldg., Salem, along with the names and addresses of any new members secured.

There will be 167 prizes to outstanding Green Guards, totaling more than \$500 in value, the county chairman pointed out, and all awards will be on the basis of points accumulated up to September 15th. "Let's get busy, Green Guards, and win some of these prizes in this county," the KOG chairman urged the young junior forest wardens.

LOYAL CLEVELAND NEWBRY

Funeral services were held at the Methodist Church, Tuesday afternoon for Loyal Cleveland Newbry, son of Edward Lester and Cloten Newbry. Dr. George W. Bruce officiated. Misses Betty Sue Reed, Betty Jo Burns, Laura Billings, and Pauline Uistead sang "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" and "In the Garden".

Loyal Newbry was born Feb. 23, 1925 at Talent and attended grade school at Phoenix and was graduated last June with high honors from the Central Valley High School at Spokane. In athletics he won the county and district tennis championship. He was voted the outstanding Thespian in the Spokane school system.

When a lad of seven, he joined the Methodist Church at Talent, transferring his membership to the Fourth Presbyterian Church when he moved to Spokane. He was president of the Christian Endeavor for a year.

When school closed, he came to spend the summer with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Newbry. He was taken ill August 10 and passed away at the Community Hospital in Ashland, August 21. Besides his parents and brother Lewis, who is in the Naval Air Corps at Livermore Station, California, he is survived by his uncle Earl Newbry and family and his grandparents in Ashland.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

WALT WHITMAN—POET OF DEMOCRACY.
1819—1892.

"AMERICA ALWAYS!
ALWAYS THE VAST SLOPES DRAINED BY THE SOUTHERN SEA...
THE SLOPES DRAINED BY THE EASTERN AND WESTERN SEAS...
THE MILLIONS OF SQUARE MILES...THE MILLIONS OF FAMILIES...
ALWAYS THE PRAIRIES, PASTURES, FORESTS, VAST CITIES...
ALWAYS THE FREE RANGE AND DIVERSITY!
ALWAYS THE CONTINENT OF DEMOCRACY!"
—WALT WHITMAN.

Centennial Rites at
Methodist Church

Concluding a week's celebration of the Oregon Trail Centennial, a service was held in the local Methodist Church Sunday evening. Mrs. Mabel Russell Lowther presided over the meeting, and Paul Byers led the singing.

Dr. George W. Bruce read Ps. 103 for the Scripture reading, offered prayer, and pronounced the benediction.

Mrs. Lowther introduced Mayor Wiley, who in a brief address paid tribute to the pioneers, who laid the foundation for our present city of Ashland. Mrs. W. C. Galey gave a historical address covering the migrations west that followed the old Oregon Trail.

Mrs. Alice Applegate Peil and Miss Lydia McCall, descendants of Lindsay Applegate, who came here in 1843, were presented to the audience. All children of pioneers were also asked to stand.

Mrs. Alameda Helman Coder, grand daughter of the man who established Ashland, told various interesting details, connected with the lives of her pioneer ancestors. In her talk she explained the origin of the name "Ashland".

Mrs. Lowther contributed humorous interest stories from her family history and showed several scenic pictures of this locality.

Special vocal solos were sung by Mrs. Lawrence Powell and Paul Byers.

MAY-BILLINGS NUPTIALS

Miss Gladys Winifred May, daughter of Mrs. Frieda May of Dallas and John Stannard Billings son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Billings of Ashland were united in marriage Sunday afternoon by the Rev. Otto Nallinger at the Salt Creek Church near Dallas. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother.

Mrs. Billings was graduated from the Business College in Portland and has been employed in the First National Bank at Coquille. Mr. Billings was graduated from Ashland High School and Oregon State. Mr. and Mrs. Billings plan to make their home in Ashland for the present.

DYERS LEAVING FOR HOME

The Rev. and Mrs. Thomas L. Dyer are leaving Sunday afternoon for their home in Seeley, California. They are planning to take the coast route. They have enjoyed our beautiful city and regret that gas rationing made it impossible to see more of the surrounding country. Rev. Dyer has filled the pulpit at the local Congregational Church the past month.

Large Expansion
In USO Overseas

The largest expansion in the history of the USO overseas division took place during the past quarter, it was announced August 24 by Mrs. Bayone Glenn, director of the local USO Club. Mrs. Glenn was notified by William E. Leigh, director of USO overseas services, that new clubs recreation centers and mobile service clubs had been opened during April, May, and June in every area in which USO has been designated by the War Department to provide recreation facilities for men in uniform. These areas include Alaska, Newfoundland, the Caribbean, Central and South America and Hawaii. They do not include ports outside the western hemisphere.

The quarter saw the formal opening of the eleven new clubs in Brazil. New operations in the Caribbean include one new club, with mobile service attached in Trinidad, two in Porto Rico; and two in the Republic of Panama. Two new mobile USO clubs were added in the Panama area. New marine units, mobile USO clubs on boats, are being planned for the Atlantic and Pacific island groups nearest to the Canal.

Four new clubs, two additional area service offices and a golf course were opened in the Hawaiian Islands.

A new USO Club was also established in Dutch Guiana. Three new operations were recently opened in Cuba. These include a new club in Havana and an information center on the Prada.

Recent trips through the Caribbean and to South America by Mr. Leigh and Dr. Royal Burpee, program director of the USO overseas division, made possible most of the additions to the regular USO overseas service. Properties were inspected, conferences held with local officials and leases negotiated on the spot so that the service could be opened as quickly as possible. Army and Navy commanding officers made recommendations where service was needed, Mr. Leigh said.

FORMER RESIDENT VISITS

Mrs. Mary Meikle of San Francisco and Pasadena is looking after business interests here and visiting with friends.

Mrs. Meikle, who has considerable property in Ashland, speaks with enthusiasm of the outlook for this locality and the improvement in business generally since her last visit two and a half years ago.

TALENT NEWS

Lewis Lavetzow, a former resident of Talent, received painful injuries while working in the woods near Prospect. He was removed to the Community Hospital in Medford where he is convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Goin and baby of Prospect visited Mrs. Goin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Logan over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hungate and baby Caroline of Prospect were weekend guests of Don's mother, Mrs. Blanch Hungate.

Mrs. Millie Trefethern of Kerby arrived in Talent Monday to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Charles Skeeters.

Mrs. George Twandley of Phoenix holds services each Sunday at the City Hall with Sunday School in the morning and evening services at 7:30 p.m.

After a short furlough 2/c Bill Slack left for Farragut, Idaho Friday.

Cpl. Bob Learning of Miami, Florida is spending a short furlough with his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Learning and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Estes and Dudley Estes were picking huckleberries on Huckleberry Mountain, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Chrises and two children of Prospect were in Talent Saturday.

Mrs. Gothold Schultz suffered a badly sprained ankle Friday afternoon when she fell off a ladder while picking pears.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kerby of Table Rock were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cowdrey Sunday.

Clinton Trefethern of Kerby, Oregon was a caller at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Charles Skeeters, Friday afternoon. He is a former resident of Talent and has been employed in Alaska for the past year.

Frank Waybrite of Seattle is spending a week with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harper.

Al Sherard, who is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Yyle Tame on Dead Indian, called on relatives and friends in Talent, Thursday.

Mrs. Bessie Sanborn and son Richard of North Bend were visiting Mrs. Sanborn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dennis, this week.

LOCAL WOMAN IN
MARINE RESERVES

Private Juanita Ross Nellis, M. C.W.R., daughter of Mrs. Marcia Ross, of 157 North Main St., this week was ordered to report August 25 to Camp Lejune, New River, North Carolina, for basic training in the Marine Corps Women's Reserve.

She is the wife of Army Aviation Cadet Clyde Ernest Nellis, now training at Klamath Falls.

Private Nellis is a graduate of Southern Oregon College of Education here, and taught grammar grade students in Klamath County Schools last year.

Upon completion of her training she will be assigned to a Marine base to free Marines to fight, or assigned to a specialists' school for technical training.

Over the Hump

Ten miles before reaching the summit of the Rockies, two bold landmarks guided the travelers to the "Pass." They were high, flat-topped buttes standing at the south of the Trail, known today as "Oregon Buttes." The South Pass was not a pass as we naturally vision one as a narrow passage between high hills or cliffs. The Rockies flattened out at that point, presenting a wide, flat surface, covered by short sagebrush, over which many wagons could roll abreast.

So gentle was the ascent that it was hard to tell when they had reached the summit. On August 7, the wagons began trailing across the crest of the continent, at an elevation of 7,803 feet. Several days passed before the last wagon was across, and history had been made for America.

Today a granite post marks the spot erected there by Ezra Meeker in 1906, and the ruins of the old Trail are still visible after these many years.

Their first glimpse of the "Oregon Country" was not reassuring. It looked barren and rough, far from the green valley of the Willamette, pictured by them. But, they consoled themselves with the thought that they were only in the suburbs of the Promised Land, and that things would look different when they really got to town.

Down the western slope of the Rockies the wagons roled to Pacific Springs, whose waters made the first trickle toward that receptacle of many waters, the great Pacific Ocean, the western border of the "Oregon Country."

Ed. Note—This is one in a series of stories commemorating the Old Oregon Trail Centennial.

THIRD WAR LOAN
CAMPAIGN SOON

Our Treasury Department is preparing for the greatest financing effort in history, the third War Loan. In order to raise the greatest sum of money yet raised from individuals in this country, obviously every person will have to do more.

It is a project that calls for more careful self-analysis and planning. Occasionally it is pointed out to us that our per capita purchase of war bonds does not nearly approximate that in England, and is far below that in Germany. England has had the necessity of such purchases driven home by actual devastation of enemy bombs and by nearness to the entire war scene.

The recently publicized phrase from an American soldier's letter is worth repeating. He wrote to his family that "I am still far away, but remember, as long as I am far away, so is the enemy."

One way for us to keep the enemy far away, one way for us to keep our right to determine for ourselves what our bond purchases shall be is to voluntarily, willingly, gladly do our full share when the call comes.

Mrs. Lenore Crow of Albany is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Emmett this week.

AMERICAN HEROES
BY LEFF

Heavy Jap Naval bombardment of our forces on a Pacific island destroyed our communications. Then Marine Corporal George J. Conlon went out to help lay a telephone trunk line between headquarters, the base radio and other strategic points. Caught in the open, he kept on working throughout five bombing attacks, and vital communications were restored. He won the Silver Star. Will you keep on investing everything you can in Payroll Savings?

U. S. Treasury Department