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THIS AND THAT (By OLD TIMER)

To the Editor:
Stalin's men are gaining lots of yardage.

Uncle Sam has the first claim this year on High School graduates.

Adam was the first man to have his garden ruined by a chicken.

Makers of women's shoes have not quite succeeded in putting all the leather into the heels.

Tokyo has closed its amusement spots. The Japs, in many months, weren't feeling amused anyway.

Uncontrolled monetary inflation in German-occupied Italy has sent the price of butter to \$40 a pound, and cigarettes to one dollar each, according to an Italian newspaper published in Philadelphia. Other price increases are cheese, \$30 a pound; sugar, \$20 a pound; salt, \$15 a pound; eggs, \$12 each; apples, \$3 each and women's stockings, \$30 a pair. And yet we Americans growl about rationing and the high cost of living!

Light me two candles
For two things I'd wish to impart—

One is the Light of the mind,
The other, the glow of the heart.
—D. Eardley Wilmot.

We read that 32 German soldiers surrendered when a Yank captain pointed a spoon at them. They may have thought they were just being invited over to have a cup of coffee.

Your share of the national debt: United States treasury figures as of March 7, 1944: Total debt — \$187,395,047,345.60. (Increase in one year, \$68 billion.) Per person — \$1,314. Per family — \$5,256.

If there isn't a city ordinance requiring residents to keep their parking strips manicured, such a requirement in the interest of civic betterment, should be enacted forthwith.

High speed, says Uncle Zeke, not only wears out tires but also the nerves of those riding in the back seat.

If we could only grow things like those pictured in seed catalogs, a Victory garden would be a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

To a pessimist the words, "breath of spring" brings visions only of green onions.

Easter recess will enable Congressmen to look after their shaky political fences.

Rumania's real estate is going up but not in price.

"Elk Basin" Tanker Launched Yesterday

Mrs. Mark W. Clark, wife of Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, commander of the Allied Armies in Italy, christened the S. S. "Elk Basin," Swan Island's 61st 16,800-ton tanker, on Wednesday, April 5, at the big Portland yard.

Lt. Gen. Clark first came into prominence as a result of his secret mission to Tunisia prior to the invasion, and later led the forces at the Battle of Salerno. Mrs. Clark has flown from Washington to appear on the Four Freedoms War Bond Show, which is currently being held in the "City of Roses."

Miss Donna Frazier spent her spring vacation from college with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Frazier.

MRS. JOE SOARES and Companion
Are Invited to Be Guests of the SOUTHERN OREGON MINER to see
at the VARSITY THEATRE (Friday and Saturday)
"THE FALLEN SPARROW" AND
"TORNADO" or
(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)
"DESTINATION TOKYO"
Please call at the Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

Local USO Director Goes to California

Mrs. James Glenn, director of the Ashland USO the past year, will leave this week to take up new duties at Paso Robles, Calif.

Announcing her transfer to California, Mrs. Glenn spoke enthusiastically of the work done at the Ashland USO by volunteers, and expressed regret to leave the region where she has made many friends and met complete cooperation in USO work.

Mrs. Will Dodge, chairman of the USO Council, expressed most regret that district USO officials have thought necessary to place Mrs. Glenn in a position for wider service. "But it must be remembered," she stated, "that Ashland was peculiarly fortunate to have had Mrs. Glenn, reputed to be one of the most outstanding USO directors in the Pacific Coast area. Her work while here has substantiated the high recommendation given by the district officers when they assigned her to this USO. She has enlarged and enlivened the entire USO program in Ashland and particularly has increased interest for and service to army wives.

"The break in leadership will be less difficult to meet here, since the work will be continued by Mrs. Jewell Lockhart, who has worked capably with Mrs. Glenn and has been engaged in the work since the USO Club was opened. Mrs. Lockhart has planned a program to continue using to full extent all material available at the clubhouse, in Lithia Park, and elsewhere in Ashland. All scheduled activities will go on the same during the summer, the Friday evening waffle suppers, Saturday night dances, Lithia Park sports, and army wives' day, later to be held on Fridays.

"No change will be made in the hours of service at the Ashland USO before May 1. After this time the club probably will be run on week-end basis, Friday, Saturday and Sunday." Continued cooperation from the people of Ashland is as necessary now and in the future as it has been in the past. The Ashland USO when run on a shorter time basis will not have its services greatly limited, since the greatest number of soldiers served have always been week-end visitors.

Telephone President States Appreciation

Appreciation for the cooperation and understanding shown by the public in helping to meet the present war emergency situation regarding telephone installations was expressed today by N. R. Powley, president of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, in a statement accompanying the dividend checks mailed to common shareholders, according to word received by R. B. Hammond, local manager of the company.

"With a thorough realization of the indispensability of the telephone in our nation's war program," the statement read, "our company is using its facilities, restricted as they are by the stringent war limitations on materials and the manufacture of telephone equipment, to install without delay all services classified as being directly connected with the war effort, or necessary to public health, welfare or security.

"Although the installation of other services, necessarily subordinated to those in the war priority classifications, cannot be made as rapidly as applications are received, everything possible is being done to provide service, overburdened as our telephone plant is. With the margins of our spare facilities generally depleted, installations for waiting applicants are dependent in most instances on the release of facilities by customers who discontinue service.

"The increase in telephone demand, both for installations and for long distance, continues its pronounced upward course. The splendid cooperation and understanding of the public make an almost impossible task an inspired undertaking to our men and women, who, 'with more to do with less to do it with,' are doing their utmost, with their characteristic resourcefulness, ingenuity, courage and courtesy, to 'take the message through!'"

Mrs. Grace Watkins of the Ashland Hotel Beauty Shop visited in Portland last week.

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat



THOMAS JEFFERSON
APRIL 13, 1743 — JULY 4, 1826.

"Equal and exact justice to all men . . .
Honest friendship with all nations . . .
Freedom of religion; freedom of the press;
freedom of person.
These principles form the bright constellation
which has gone before us
and guided our steps."
— INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

Youth of County Invited to Join In Food Contest

Oregon's boys and girls, who are between 14 and 22 and have two years' experience in vegetable gardening, are eligible to compete in the \$6000 wartime food production and marketing contest of the National Junior Vegetable Growers' Association, it was announced today.

H. C. Seymour, state 4-H Club leader, joined with Earle Parsons Jr., 20-year-old Northampton, Mass., president of the association, in inviting both farm and town youths to register for the fourth annual contest immediately. Additional information about the contest may be obtained from county 4-H Club leaders or by writing Seymour at Oregon State College in Corvallis.

Contestants from this county will compete for a \$500 national championship, a western regional award of \$200 or one of the three sectional awards of \$100 each from a scholarship fund provided the association by the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company. In addition, two \$25 war bonds are offered to other outstanding contestants of the state.

Wave Edith Zumwalt Graduates in East

WAVE Edith Zumwalt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Baughman, 525 E. Main Street, Ashland, was graduated recently from the Parachute Riggers' school at Lakehurst, N. J., upon completion of three months of training. She was promoted to the rating of parachute rigger third class.

The graduating class included sailors, marines, WAVES and marine women reservists.

Rigger trainees learn to pack and repair all types of Navy parachutes and are assigned to duty after completing training, the women reservists going to naval air stations to replace men for sea and overseas duty.

P. H. HAYNES

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon for P. H. Haynes, who passed away March 30. Mr. Haynes was born in Arkansas in 1863. He had been a resident of Ashland for over 30 years.

Survivors include his wife and three children, A. J. Haynes of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Mrs. C. A. Morton of Sams Valley, and A. R. Haynes of Portland.

Simpson New Coach At Medford High

Announcement was made last week that Coach Al Simpson of Ashland High has accepted a position in Medford high school. He will coach football and basketball.

Coach Simpson recently led the local Grizzlies to the state basketball championship.

He was graduated from Eureka, California high school in 1934, Southern Oregon College of Education in 1937 and the University of Oregon in 1939.

Dr. Morris Warns In Post-War Plans

Ideas and blueprints for post-war projects must be implemented with cash and no program may be said to be "ready to go" until it has been thought through as to financing as well as to listing of desired projects, warns Dr. Victor P. Morris, dean of the school of business administration at the University of Oregon, in the lead article of the current issue of the Oregon Business Review, published by the Bureau of Business Research.

Dr. Morris, who is chairman of the state committee on post-war readjustment and development, is encouraged that so much interest is being taken in the problems which will confront business and government at the end of the war. However, he feels that many of the plans envisaged will be largely fanciful unless the preparations are realistic for a "stock-pile" or "back-log" of public works. Three steps are essential in the establishment of a post-war program: (1) The ideas, (2) the blueprints, and (3) the financing.

"No group should regard itself as having done its job of preparation for the post-war period until all three phases are completed or well on the way to completion. It is highly essential that we do not deceive ourselves with our long lists of projects totaling millions of dollars when in fact only a small part of the money resources are yet even seriously thought about, let alone actually in hand."

New Opportunities In WAVES Listed

New opportunities for young women with experience in four civilian occupations have been created in the WAVES with the assignment of larger numbers of trained Navy men to ships and to advanced bases in the speeded-up Navy offensive in the Pacific, announces H. W. Crain, in charge of the Medford Navy Recruiting Station, which handles WAVES applications in this district.

These new opportunities are for women with nursing experience or aptitude, to be assigned to the Navy's famed hospital corps; women with any kind of office experience, including typing, filing, secretarial work and business machine operation, to be trained as yeomen to help handle the Navy's vast communications and administrative activity; women with experience as electricians, metal workers and machine operators, to be trained as aviation mechanics, and women with experience in sales, inventory and stock control to be trained as storekeepers.

LT. WM. SAVIN TRANSFERRED TO CAMP McCAY, WISCONSIN

Lt. William Savin, former copublisher of the Southern Oregon Miner, left Washington, D. C. yesterday for his new assignment at Camp McCay, Wisconsin. For the past two months, Lt. Savin has been receiving instruction at the Army Map Service in the Capitol City.

Leonard Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warren, is ill at the hospital at Farragut, Idaho.

Born to S/Sgt. and Mrs. Delbert Jones on March 29, a son.

Mrs. Walter Herndon of Klamath Falls is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Henry Newton.

One of these manuals will be mailed each boy and girl already enrolled. Green Guards have done a fine fire-reporting job in the past and we welcome new members. Just write to Keep Oregon Green, State Forestry Building, Salem, Ore."

Special Program Friday Night

The Holy Week Union services will be concluded on Friday evening at the Presbyterian Church at the Presbyterian Church at 7:45. The general theme of the week's worship services, "Personalities of the Last Week", will be presented in reading, pantomime, and hymns by the Ashland ministers and their wives, assisted by a soloist from the Presbyterian Church.

Immediately following the opening song service and prayer, Dr. G. W. Bruce, pastor of the Methodist Church, will begin to read the story which he has written specially for this service. The story begins with Simon of Cyrene as he travels from northern Africa to the city of Jerusalem. Enroute he is commanded by the Roman soldiers to carry the Cross of Christ to the place of crucifixion. Rev. Gordon Griffin will impersonate Simon as he carries the huge cross to its place on the platform.

Then the story will tell of Dismas and Gestus, the two malefactors who were crucified with Jesus. Rev. Charles Brown, pastor of the Free Methodist Church, and Rev. J. Howard Rees, pastor of the Congregational Church, will impersonate these two characters, as they bring to the platform two crosses and place them beside the huge central Cross.

Mrs. Earl Downing, Mrs. J. Howard Rees, and Mrs. G. W. Bruce, three minister's wives, will impersonate the three Marys as they come to the platform and reverently kneel before the central cross, while Dr. Bruce reads the poem, "Three Crosses." During this period the soloist will sing "Alas and Did My Saviour Bleed."

As the story goes on to conclusion Rev. Gordon Griffin and Rev. Earl Downing will impersonate Joseph and Nicodemus, the two lawyers who buried the body of Jesus in the new tomb which Joseph had prepared for his own burial. The two smaller crosses have now been removed from the platform, and only the huge cross remains while the congregation joins in singing "The Old Rugged Cross." Miss Florence Allen of the Presbyterian Church will sing the solo parts for this pantomime.

The ministers are seeking to make this, not an evening of entertainment, but an evening of reverential worship for the entire community. When the closing moments of this hour of worship come people will be asking, as they asked in olden days, "What of the morning? What of the morning?"

JORGENSEN FINISHES PRIMARY TRAINING

Twenty Naval and two coast guard and four marine corps enlisted personnel, and 48 aviation cadets, have completed their primary training at the Naval Air Station at Dallas, Tex., and have been ordered to U. S. Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. There they will continue basic and advanced work which will qualify enlisted personnel as aviation pilots. The cadets, upon successful completion of this course, will be awarded wings and commissioned as flight officers.

Of this group is George Dale Jorgensen, ARM1c, USN, son of Mrs. J. T. Jorgensen, Berkeley Way, Berkeley, Calif., who graduated from Ashland High School.

Before coming to the Naval Air Station here, all cadets and enlisted men completed rigorous training at one of the Navy's pre-flight schools.

WAGNER AT OCEANSIDE, CAL.

S/Sgt. Larry Wagner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Wagner, 47 Granite Street, has joined a Leatherneck unit undergoing combat training at Camp Pendleton, Marine Corps base near Oceanside, California. He is a member of a division band.

He is a graduate of Ashland High School and the University of Oregon.

B. F. Craig, who owned and operated the College Cleaners for several years here, has returned to Ashland to make his home. He has purchased a home at 209 Oak Street. He and his wife spent the winter in Orange, California but decided that Oregon was "home" for them.