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THIS AND THAT (By OLD TIMER)

To the Editor:
Now for a little friendly competition among the Allies for the first to enter Berlin.

With rationing, ceilings and freezing on practically everything else, why not freeze local taxes?

On June 14, 1777, the American Congress formally adopted the Stars and Stripes as the national flag.

With the fall of Rome the Germans lose the last basis for the pretense that there is still an Italy in the Axis.

Speaking of war criminals and punishment, the Allies at the close of World War I were cheated, at the hands of German judges, in their attempt to see justice done. The original list of 900 German officers and officials, who had violated the Hague conventions and statutory laws was whittled down to 49 indictments, of which, however, only 12 were actually brought before court. In the end, half of the defendants were acquitted, the other half sentenced to mild prison terms but spirited away from their cells after a few days of confinement.

If a chicken could be developed that dines exclusively on insect pests, Uncle Zeke says that he could then have a combination Victory poultry yard and garden.

The Greeks long ago made certain so-called music a crime against the state. In these modern days it's a pity that the yowling and caterwauling over the radio could not be placed in the same category.

The Victory gardener is beginning to worry why his plants don't look like those in the seed catalog.

That certainly was a vociferous call to prayer for Ashland folks.

Joseph Stalin's real name is Jos. Vissarionovich Pzugashvili.

Winning With War Transportation

"The efficient operation and better utilization of refrigerator cars during the past two years has contributed in no small measure to keeping America the best-fed nation in the world, even in wartime."

This statement made by Colonel J. Monroe Johnson, Director of the Office of Defense Transportation is borne out by the fact that railroad refrigerator cars in 1943 transported more than 42,630,380 tons over 1941. These perishable movements were accomplished with far less refrigerator car equipment in operation, ODT asserts.

Colonel Johnson attributes the achievement to cooperation by refrigerator car lines, the railroads, the Bureau of Service of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and the Association of American Railroads with the Office of Defense Transportation and to an organized effort by various industries and trade organizations engaged in food distribution.

Mrs. Naomi Grunewald and daughter, Marguerite, left Monday evening for Oakland, where they will visit indefinitely. Mrs. Grunewald was a teacher in the local junior high school last year. Marguerite was editor of the Rogue News last year and will serve again in the same capacity during her senior year at AHS.

Superintendent Theo J. Norby and family are living temporarily at the Lithia Hotel, while waiting to move into the F. D. Wagner home on Granite Street.

Superintendent and Mrs. C. R. Bowman have gone to Salem and Portland on business.

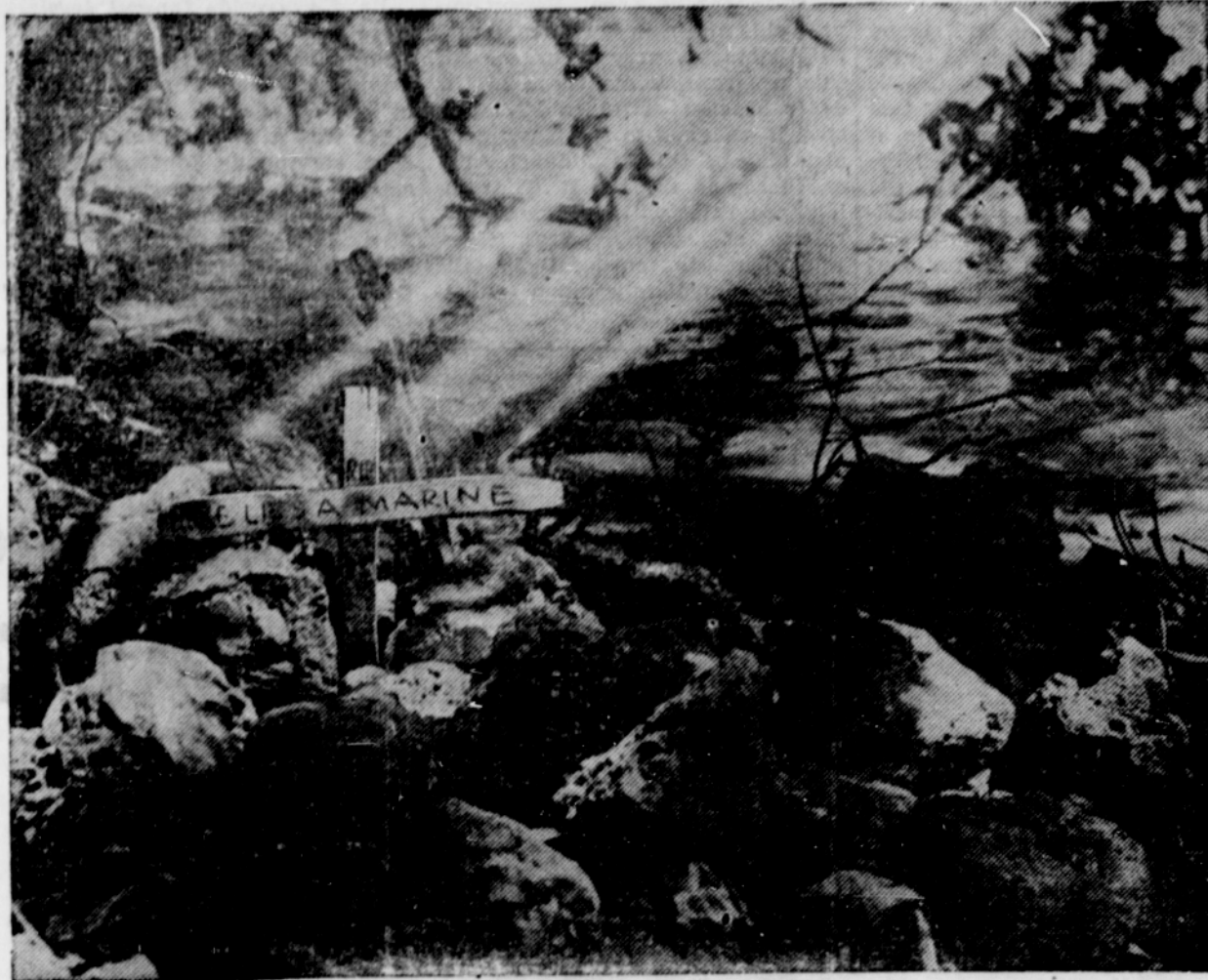
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Are Invited to Be Guests of the SOUTHERN OREGON MINER to see

at the VARSITY THEATRE (Friday and Saturday) "CRY HAVOC" and "IDAHO" or

(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday) "THE FIGHTING SEABEES" Please call at the Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

His Memory Is Enshrined In Our Hearts



Sacrifice and suffering... a final crude resting place... Our words cannot pay adequate tribute to his deeds... Our homage seems in itself a futile thing... it must remain for us to match in unswerving purpose... the matchless devotion of his effort.

TALENT NEWS

Daily vacation school began Monday, June 5, to continue through June 16, with a closing program in the evening. Hours will be from 9 a. m. to 11 a. m. each day Mondays through Fridays. The corps of teachers are headed by Mrs. Clarence Holdridge as superintendent. Agnes Lacy is the song leader. There are four departments: Beginners, in charge of Mrs. Walty, with Elsie Hershberger assistant; primary, in charge of Mrs. Quinn, with Mrs. Floyd assisting; junior, in charge of Margaret Moore, and intermediate in charge of Agnes Lacy. Dr. and Mrs. Bruce will be present for some of the sessions. Study and activities in all departments will center around the life of Christ.

Mrs. J. Householder and son, Robert, of Lake Creek spent last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Householder on the old Pacific Highway south of Talent and returned to their home Monday.

Mrs. Blanche Hungate and Mrs. Bessie Mickel were business callers in Medford Saturday.

Perry Skeeters of Prospect spent a couple of days last week with his grandmother, Mrs. Belle Skeeters.

Mrs. Elizabeth Palmer, 87 years old, passed away at her home in Talent Thursday evening. She had been ill since the death of her daughter, Mrs. Bertha Hungate, whose death occurred May 2. Mrs. Palmer's funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Litwiler Funeral Home. Dr. Bruce gave the sermon. Interment was made in the family plot at the Mountain View Cemetery.

Miss Lottie Besnick of Bellview and Mrs. Sarah Clark of Ashland called on friends here Thursday evening.

Mrs. Roy Estes made a business trip to Chicco, Calif., last Tuesday and returned home Thursday morning.

Thirty-eight people met on Memorial Day in the morning and worked at repairing the old Baptist Church. Men of the Friends' Church congregation relevelled the entire foundation, rebuilt the porch in front and set tile for a new front bridge. A crew of young people tore off the old paper on the ceiling and walls and ladies helped prepare the walls for redecoration. The ladies also prepared a bountiful dinner for the workers which was

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Federal Rent Control Still in Effect Here

Contrary to widespread local belief there has been no relaxation in Federal rent control in the Medford defense rental area. The erroneous opinion apparently originated in publicity which removed restrictions on FRIA housing, to make them available for general rental when formerly they were available only to essential workers.

In the opinion of local rent control officials, the theory of the Federal regulation of rents makes necessary a continuance of rent control, and so far, at least, there is no indication of removing the administration of the rent regulation in the immediate future.

Four Bergstrom Boys In Service of Country

Word has been received that Pfc. Carl Bergstrom, who is with the Infantry Parachute Co., left recently for the European theatre of war. He received his training in North Carolina.

Lt. David Bergstrom, who is a pilot on a Bomber, left about the same time for the Pacific area.

These boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bergstrom who also have two other sons in the service. S/Sgt. John Bergstrom has been serving in England for the past year, and Harvey Bergstrom is a first class petty officer serving in the Pacific area.

The Bergstrom boys grew up in Ashland, graduating from Ashland High School.

USO Club Used by Overseas Men

A new type visitor was seen at the USO on Sunday—men from overseas duty are being sent to Camp White for a rest period before being reassigned to active duty again. Some men told interesting events that happened in North Africa, England, North Ireland, Hawaii, the Aleutians and New Guinea.

Also some of the Engineer Forestry Battalion groups used the USO Club for a stopping place to await trucks to take them out to the bivouac area. One officer with a group commented on how nice the club was and thought their men were lucky to have the use of the facilities here.

Mrs. Roy Frazier and Mrs. Ted Lockhart were at Camp White on business of the Ashland USO, Wednesday.

Greyhound Urges Women to Join Medical Corps

"Serve with the Navy Medical Corps," urges Pacific Greyhound Lines in their current advertisement released in more than five hundred western newspapers. This is another advertisement in Pacific Greyhound's series in cooperation with the recruiting program of the armed forces, chiefly aimed at getting women to enlist in the various auxiliaries. Others were Seabees, Marines, Waves, and Wacs.

This latest advertisement features both the Navy Nurse Corps, open to trained nurses, and the Waves Hospital Corps which urgently needs other women to serve in the naval hospitals, clerical capacities, and as helpers in the wards, laboratories and pharmacies. Much of this work is now being done by male hospital corpsmen, and women can release men for duty on the fighting fronts.

Said F. W. Ackerman, Vice President of Greyhound Lines: "Anyone who has been in the Navy, as I have, will appreciate the need for women in our military hospitals. I well remember the men nurses of the last war; they were well trained and capable enough, but our wounded fighters should have as far as possible the care of women nurses, and, furthermore, the men are urgently needed to serve on the battlefronts. Pacific Greyhound is happy to cooperate by means of this advertising with the recruiting of women for the armed forces. We look upon this advertising as a further extension of the transportation service we are providing for the Army and Navy."

Pacific Greyhound Lines' appeal to women to serve with the Navy Medical Corps appears on page 2 of today's Miner.

LARGE CROWD AT USO DANCE

A very good crowd enjoyed the clubhouse facilities Saturday night. During the coffee hour, 5 to 8, the hostesses were Miss Ethel Reed and Mrs. Naomi Grunewald. Hostesses for the dance following were Mrs. Carrie O'Hara, desk; Mrs. Sid Reed, odor; Mrs. Frances Silver, Mrs. Alberta Leonard and Mrs. Edith Good, refreshments.

Henry Newton was ill with the flu last week.

Shumans Honored At Church Reception

The Rev. and Mrs. George Shuman and children were honored at a reception held at the Presbyterian Church Wednesday evening of last week.

Welcome addresses were given at the dinner table representing various organizations. Dr. George W. Bruce spoke for the Ministerial Association; Mrs. J. W. McCoy for the Women's Association; Mrs. G. M. Frost for the Martha Gillette Guild, Mrs. W. M. Poley for the Sunday School, Miss Florence Allen for the choir, Miss Patricia Bell for the young people, G. M. Frost for the session and W. W. Robison for the trustees. Rev. Shuman responded to the addresses of welcome, expressing appreciation for the welcome given to him and his family. J. A. Lang-trey was toastmaster.

Special musical numbers included several clarinet trio selections by Robert Elhart, Mary Corthell, and Joan Helm and two violin numbers by Miss Vyvyan Freeman accompanied by Mrs. J. W. McCoy.

So. Pac. Plans for War Service Day

Southern Pacific War Service Day, in honor of the company's more than 15,000 former employees now in the armed forces, will be observed this year on Wednesday, June 14, President A. T. Mercier announced today.

The railroad's tribute to its service men and women will fall on Flag Day, and the noon hour and evening rallies of Southern Pacific personnel will be in keeping with national exercises in honor of Old Glory. Southern Pacific's representation in the armed forces has grown in size to an Army division, the number having increased 3000 in the past year, it was pointed out.

Plans for Southern Pacific War Service Day, it was stated, encompass the company's far-flung lines and agencies in the United States, with its 100,000 employees participating. The day will be highlighted in the railroad family by the wearing of miniature S. P. service flags bearing the numerals "15,000."

"It is fitting that we again pledge our support to our service men and women and pay homage to the 56 from our railroad family who have already made the supreme sacrifice," said President Mercier in a message to the company's men and women regarding the special tribute. "Let us continue to do our best by performing our jobs with the utmost efficiency and safety, subscribe generously to the Fifth War Loan, and promote good teamwork in the war effort with friendly service to all."

Fifth War Loan Quota High for Jackson Co.

Jackson County's quota for the Fifth War Loan will be the highest ever established, it was announced by N. H. Zacharisen, Jackson County War Finance Committee chairman, who was so advised by E. C. Sammons, state chairman, Oregon War Finance Committee.

The county's quota for Series F bonds was set at \$600,000, sales to individuals (all series), \$1,037,000; corporations, \$1,225,000.

The state's \$125,000,000 quota—the cost of America's part in the war for 12 hours—is the largest quota allotted to Oregon since the beginning of the war financing program. Originally set at \$123,000,000, War Bond leaders requested Ted Gamble, former executive manager of the Oregon War Finance Committee and national director of the War Finance Division, to raise the quota \$2,000,000 so that Oregon could pay for at least 12 hours war against the Axis.

Ashland People Flock To Church for Prayer

As soon as the Air raid sirens blew at 12:45, announcing the European invasion, the churches of Ashland were opened. Many people dressed and went to the churches for prayer.

Mayor T. S. Wiley requested business houses to close from 3:00 to 4:00 Tuesday afternoon that an hour of prayer might be observed. Most of the churches remained open Tuesday and Wednesday that people might go for prayer at any convenient hour.

It was reported that the nine o'clock morning prayer services are very well attended.

Mrs. Bruce Gives Burma Review

The Women's Society of Christian Service met at the Methodist Church last Friday with the president, Mrs. George Mason, presiding. The morning session was given over to reports and other necessary business.

After the luncheon hour the meeting was called to order by the program leader, Mrs. J. R. McCracken. Mrs. C. E. Anderson had charge of the devotions, using as a topic, "Spiritual House Cleaning."

The remaining time was given over to Mrs. G. W. Bruce who reviewed the book, "Burma Surgeon," by Gordon Seagrave. The author is the surgeon of the book.

He tells humorously of starting his medical mission with a wastebasket full of broken-down surgical instruments salvaged from Johns Hopkins, where he studied. "All I wanted was plenty of jungle and thousands of sick people to treat, preferably with surgery," he writes. His wish was granted tenfold: Overcoming the greatest difficulties he built hospitals, trained native girls for nurses and accomplished a vast amount of work.

When the war came to Burma, Dr. Seagraves was commissioned a Major General in the Medical Corps to care for the wounded. Dr. Seagraves and his unit joined the retreat with General Stillwell, and the book ends with a day by day account of the historic trek through the jungle to India.

Mrs. Seagraves is living at Redlands, California at the present time, and Mrs. Bruce read a letter which came from her in which she states that her husband is in India, still working with General Stillwell.

Lt. Kent Studying At Alexandria, La.

Lt. Robert M. Kent, Jr., navigator, of Ashland, Oregon, will soon complete an intensive course in combat flying at the Alexandria Army Air Field, Alexandria, La., and in the near future he will go overseas to a combat area.

He is the member of a Flying Fortress crew trained by the second Air Force, which has the task of readying four-engine bomber crews for overseas duty.

Listed among the instructors at the Alexandria Army Air Field are more than 250 officers and enlisted men who have seen action in every theatre of war. These veterans direct crews through training conditions that simulate actual combat.

Lt. Kent is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Kent, 743 North Main St., Ashland. His wife, the former Betty Barton, lives at 721 South Presy St., San Antonio, Texas. He is a graduate of Ashland High School and attended Oregon State College and Southern Normal School, where he was a member of Theta Delta Phi fraternity.

Miss Ninon King, daughter of Mrs. Ruth King, arrived home Friday from the university and will spend the summer with her mother.



(Harris & Ewing Photo)

New Bishop of important Episcopal Church diocese in the Nation's Capital, Dr. Angus Dun was consecrated with impressive rites April 19. The Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, the Archbishop of York, the Primate of Iceland, the Bishop of Kunming, China, were among the Church dignitaries who attended the consecration service. Bishop Dun has been Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass., since 1940. Some 600 national, civic and Church leaders were in the procession into the Cathedral.