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Let Us Be Steady!
One of these days the big news
will be flashed around the world
that Germany has surrendered.
With nearly three years of devoted
energies and strained nerves we
have been waiting for V day in
Europe, and we will be inclined
to let all holds go and celebrate in a
wild way. It will be difficult for
us to restrain our emotions and
our joy when the radios drop all
programs to tell the story. It is
another of our American ways.

But throughout all the cities and
towns of the country, preparations
are being made to control the evil
or serious effects of joy uncon-
fined. Order must be preserved,
and hilarity must be restricted lest
danger to life and limb and prop-
erty occur. We all know now
with what anticipation and nerv-
ous strain and anxiety we meet
the days as they come and go, and
how happy we will be to hear the
great news. Now is the time to
take hold of ourselves and prepare
to quiet our nerves in preparation
for the event.

Even with the fall of Hitler we
still must realize that there is a
great war yet to be won. Terrific
fighting in the Pacific will be still

going on, and will last long. Many
lives will yet be lost after the
European struggle is ended. Mil-
lions of our boys must be mustered
out for home, and their coming
will be our highest joy, but mil-
lions of others will still be in the
bloody fields. Then we will have
the peace to make and reconver-
sion to normal industry will be dif-
ficult and of long and arduous toil.
Readjustment of our immediate
tasks will face us and we will need
to keep our heads and hearts in
sound condition for the days ahead
—maybe years. We know that
Europe will fall, but this event
will be only a fulfillment of part
of the task that America has to
perform. We are now the most
powerful nation on earth, and our
burdens will be the heaviest. These
are sobering thoughts for us to be
considering as we wait for the an-
nouncement of our first great
achievement. We cannot celebrate
as if this were the end. The victo-
ry will be mainly the beginning of
years of effort to help restore a
lasting peace to mankind on a
sound diplomatic and economic
basis, and a Christian regard for
the welfare of ourselves and other
peoples.

When Hitler cracks we must not
therefore allow ourselves to relax
as if the war was over, but must
instead renew our efforts to the
great tasks ahead. When the news
comes, let the watchword be stea-
dy. Steady! And let our slogan be
like that of the boys—"Let's fin-
ish the job". It is for us to reded-
icate ourselves to the cause for
which so many of our boys have
given full measure, and to defense
and advancement of Christian
Democracy for which so many
have died since our nation was
founded.

COLUMBIA NEWS

Miss Rachel Weeks is visiting
this week at the home of her moth-
er, Mrs. Mabel Weeks. Miss Weeks
recently returned from San Fran-
cisco where she stayed with her
friends, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Thorne
while their son, Tech. Sgt. John
Thorne was home on furlough.

L. Hammer recently injured his
back but is improving daily.
Word has been received from
Mrs. John Jendrzewski who
went east about ten days ago that
she is enjoying her visit.
Mr. and Mrs. Eley from The

Dalles are visiting at the home of
Mrs. Howard Longely who lives at
the J. H. Reid place.

Miss Viola Hammer is living
with Mrs. Anderson and plans to
be there for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Savage
have moved to the Tiny Caldwell
place. Mr. Savage is employed at
the Cooperative Service Station.

Mrs. Horseman of Pendleton is
visiting at the home of her daugh-
ter, Mrs. Longley.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hammer,
daughter Carol, Miss Gloria Ham-
mer of Hermiston, and Mr. and
Mrs. A. S. Vincent and son Albert
of Umatilla were Sunday dinner
guests at the L. Hammer home.

The Henry Garberdings are in-
stalling an electric pump in their
home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rauch of But-
ter Creek accompanied by Mr. and
Mrs. Henry Garberding made a
business trip to the Blue Moun-
tains in the vicinity of La Grande.

Glen Barton has sold his place
on the Diagonal road to Hube Mc-
Cullough and has moved to Stan-
field where he has employment on
the Coe Ranch.

The members of the Columbia
district school board, Mr. Getchell,
Mr. Liebe and Mr. Hooker, are re-
moving some of the dead trees
from the school yard.

At the Grange meeting Tuesday
night it was decided to vote at the
next meeting on changing the
night of meeting from Tuesday to
Friday.

Mrs. Herb Johnson of Pendleton,
niece of Ben Fix, and Mrs. Grace
Dixon of Baker, a great niece, vis-
ited here Tuesday.

Mary Ellen Hancock was con-
fined at the Ordinance hospital for
several days but is now at home
and much improved in health.

Elizabeth and Doris Jones pro-
vided the program for the Colum-
bia Grange Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Luttrell are
staying at the Percy Corman home
where Mrs. Luttrell is recovering
from a heart attack suffered some
weeks ago.

Mrs. Nellie Tucker and her bro-
ther returned from Medford Mon-
day night where they had been
visiting a sister.

Mrs. Harry Peterson and child-
ren are going to Ione or two weeks
to visit Mr. Peterson's family.

The 4-H Cooking club will hold
a Cookie Bake at Corman's Satur-
day. It is to be the final activity
of that particular club for the

present year.
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bennett were
voted into the Grange at the meet-
ing held Tuesday night.

Another bomb has been dropped
in Columbia District, this time
near the Don DeMoss home.

The B. E. Getchell family at-
tended the Round Up parade Fri-
day.

Marion Ott left Wednesday for
Corvallis where she will attend
college again this year. She will
live at Delta Zeta sorority.

Lewis Wilson left Thursday
night to return to his station at
Treasure Island, Cal. He stopped
over in Portland to stay with his
sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and
Mrs. O. E. Butler.

Mrs. Laura Morris had the mis-
fortune to lose her car keys this
week.

The Misses Marion Ott, Annetta
Flynn, Helen Zehender and Bet-
ty Putnam attended the dance at
Happy Canyon.

Bobby and Ronny McAhren are
staying at the home of their grand-
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Brad-
shaw.

Mrs. Olyn Hodge and Miss Char-
lotte Rauch spent the day in Wal-
la Walla recently.

Mrs. Milton Wolfe and Mrs.
Wurtsmith visited at the home of
Henry Wurtsmith, Sunday.

A correction: Last weeks item
which stated that LaVeta Archer
is a member of the Wac's should
have read Waves.

Mrs. Kenneth Bradshaw, for-
merly Miss Maxine Thompson,
left Saturday to join her husband
in Fallon, Nevada.

Mrs. Henry Ott who is visiting
her son Walther Ott in New Jer-
sey is expected home about Octo-

First National Bank of Hermiston

ber 15th.
Pfc. Chas. Powell, nephew of
Mrs. Duff Knight, is visiting at the
Knight home. His work is Celestial
Navigation and he is stationed
at Tonopah, Nevada.
Danny Wilson has recovered
from his eye injury and has re-
turned to school. His little sister,
Grace, is confined to her home
with the flu.



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