

JACK WOOD WINNER AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY AWARD

Essay On 'How Can American Youth Co-operate With American Legion to Bar War Profits' Is Best

At the last meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary it was announced that Jack Duane Wood, local senior high school student had won the Fidas essay contest sponsored by the local unit. The prize was \$2.

Mrs. Myrtle Omscheid, of the local unit is state chairman for Fidas this year.

Principal object of the Fidas is to "maintain, foster and develop that spirit of comradeship which manifested itself on the battlefields of the World War and to use that comradeship in the cause of peace."

The prize essay entitled "How Can American Youth Cooperate With the American Legion and Fidas to remove the profit motive from war as an aid to World Peace" follows:

It is a generally known fact that the munition manufacturer is the greatest profiteer of any war. Since the last Great War, several investigations of munition firms have been carried on by our Government, and in all cases a large profit in these firms was noted.

One thing that should and can be done towards taking the profit from the munition manufacturer is to allow government control over all munition firms. This will enable the Government to make munitions at cost when they are needed, and if properly handled, will reduce a great deal of graft in the munitions business.

All countries of the world should endeavor to break up subsidiary munition companies. This would be a great step toward peace and would cut and break down the crime and munition rackets. Once this is accomplished, the only way a government would have of getting munitions would be to manufacture them for themselves or buy them from other governments.

The American youth cannot help, as can the adults, but he can advance theories that are just as logical as those now in practice. He can form organizations for the advancement of Peace. One of the greatest movements in this country would be to have the American youths join in organizing a Peace Club.

Can't Swallow



Charles Bassett, 14, of Lyman, Wash., doesn't mind taking his spinach for he is fed all of his food through a tube in his stomach. Ever since he suffered infantile paralysis in 1933 the youngster has been unable to swallow. He even plays tennis and pole vaults. In spite of his condition, Charles is in perfect health and happy. (Associated Press Photo)

TRAP SHOOTING LOOKS EASY BUT REQUIRES SKILL

It seems the easiest thing in the world to break clay discs with a shotgun, but if you have any such belief Medford Gun club officers urge that you go out to the field where the big meet is being held and watch the shooting at close range.

These clay pigeons fly fast, much faster than you might expect. Just try to follow them with your eyes, and then fancy how much more alert you'd have to be to follow them with a gun. A delay of a split second and the bird is gone! It's a question of precise timing as well as of poise and sharp sight.

If after watching the shooting you still think it is an easy sport, the best thing to do, say the gunners, is to get a shotgun and go out to the club some day after the meet and try out your skill. If you shatter the first bird that flies out from the trap house, you are sunk, the experts say, for you will probably spend the rest of your life trying to keep pace with that first lucky shot.

It's just as bad if you miss the first shot, for then you will immediately realize the game is not so easy as it looks, and it would never do to lay down your gun and admit you couldn't hit a round disc of clay that flies out from a little shelter right in front of your eyes. In all probability you will want to keep right on shooting, and in 25 years the boys will be referring to you as a veteran.

Try it out some day, the club officers urge. Get in touch with the club and arrange for a practice shoot. It's great fun, even if you don't become an ace.

CALIFORNIA BALKS AT LEVYING TAXES ON AUTOMOBILES

Completion of Taxation Program Necessary Balance Budget Is Held Up by Refusal of Legislators

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SACRAMENTO, Cal., June 14.—(UP)—Completion of the taxation program necessary to balance the 1935-1937 budget calling for expenditures of \$379,000,000 was blocked last night when the assembly refused passage of a bill levying a state tax on automobiles.

Needling 54 votes to pass the measure, which has become a key bill in the revenue program, proponents were able to muster only 41 votes in favor of the bill, to 37 against it.

Assemblyman Charles T. Lyon of Los Angeles, administration floor leader, gave notice of reconsideration of the unfavorable vote.

The deadlock was reached after a determined stand had been taken by administration leaders who sought passage of the bill as a means of ending the deadlock over taxation measures which was blocking adjournment of the legislature.

Opposition to the measure was led by members of the EPIC-Democratic bloc who objected to the bill on the ground it would tax the automobile owner out of proportion to other levies made by the government.

Several attempts to amend the measure, including a proposal to exempt all automobiles with an assessed valuation of \$100 or less, were defeated before the final vote.

In view of assembly action, a movement was started to urge Governor Frank F. Merriam to reduce the budget by approximately \$16,000,000 in order to make up the difference resulting from the refusal to include the automobile levy in the revenue program.

Senator Will B. Sharkey, Martinez, chairman of the senate finance committee and administration leader, recommended that the budget cut be made as a means of balancing the budget and forcing action looking toward final adjournment.

While the two houses appeared deadlocked over taxation proposals, Merriam neared the end of the period which he was permitted for study of the budget bill.

According to law, the governor must sign or veto the bill by midnight tonight, the end of the 10-day period allowed under the constitution.

While the automobile tax act was held in the assembly on the reconsideration motion of Lyon, it was considered possible the lower house would attempt to rush through a severance tax act as a substitute. Should the senate accept such a measure, the assembly might change the vote.

WEST POINT GRADUATE HELD FOR THREATENING TO BOMB WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, June 14.—(AP) Ira Basha, who was graduated from West Point two years ago, was indicted today by a District of Columbia grand jury for threatening to bomb the White House.

The former army officer, now serving time in the district jail for disorderly conduct, has been pronounced insane by district alienists. His indictment, the first one here for making threats against the president, presumably was returned to facilitate his commitment to St. Elizabeth's hospital.

Secret service operatives turned the case over to the United States attorney after Basha wrote the following letter to President Roosevelt last May 30:

"I, West Point grad, June, 1933, will bomb your quarters. Be careful. I have been seeking job. Am desperate. Will commit desperate deed to secure economic security."
"P. S. Notify newspapers."

SLIGHT INCREASE IN LUMBER OUTPUT

SEATTLE, Wash., June 14.—(AP)—A slight increase in production, 2,000,000 feet, was reported today by 319 down and operating mills to the West Coast Lumbermen's association for the week ending June 8 as compared with the previous week. The total was 32,494,918 feet. The average weekly production in 1935 has been 74,150,868 feet; during the same period in 1934 it was 82,777,905 feet.

The increase reflected the reopening of a few mills despite the lumber strike.

New business was 37,324,126 feet against a production of 32,494,918 feet and shipments of 38,462,947 feet. Shipments were 18.4 per cent over production and sales 14.9 over production.

The unfilled order file at the mills stood at 368,307,345 feet, about 5,000,000 feet under the week before.

FLOY B. LORTON TAKEN BY DEATH

Floy Beulah Lorton, wife of Edward E. Lorton, passed away at their home southwest of Medford late Thursday night, at the age of 55 years.

Floy McGinnis was born at Montgomery City, Mo., June 2, 1880. In 1901 she came west and located at Cambridge, Ida., and in that year was married to Mr. Lorton, after which

they for several years operated a drug store, and in 1920, came to Jackson county, and have resided on the farm since that time.

Besides her husband, she leaves the following children: Duke, Garland, Billie and Gerald Lorton all of Medford; also three brothers and two sisters, Leslie and Elzer McGinnis of Walsea, Ida.; Rozzie McGinnis, Cam-

bridge, Ore.; Mrs. C. B. Hixon, Wendell, Ida., and Janie Smith of Medford.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Conger chapel at 2 p. m. Sunday, with Rev. Adolph Johnson of the Seventh Day Adventist church, of which Mrs. Lorton was a member, officiating. Interment will be in the Jacksonville cemetery.

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Good student.
LOGAN, O.—(UP)—Myel Skiver has gone through his eight years of grade school at Haydenville without a day's absence.

Oldest Twins.
SEATTLE—(UP)—Mrs. Elizabeth Strum and Mrs. Magdalena Applequist claim to be the oldest twins in the Pacific northwest. They celebrated their 80th birthday recently.

Record Indian Dialects

SEATTLE (UP)—Northwest Indian languages will be preserved, possibly after the natives who understood them have disappeared. Phonographic recordings of the tongues, as spoken by tribal patriarchs, are being made by Dr. Melville Jacobs, anthropologist.

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