

Society and Clubs

by Betty Shoemaker

Party Honors First Birthday of Rolland Holbrook

Mrs. Roy Holbrook entertained at the Holbrook home on the Crater Lake highway Saturday afternoon with a birthday party honoring the first birthday of her son, Rolland.

The children enjoyed an afternoon of games and Rolland received many gifts. Later refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Calvin Welch.

Children attending were Phyllis and Dick Whitteaf, Anita Kay Conger, Larry and Shirley Bateman, Barbara Lee Swanson, Verna Jean Meadows, Bonnie Rae Dallaire, Ernest and Harold Gilmour, Frederick and Roger Welch, Sonny Holbrook and Rolland.

Mothers present included Mrs. Harold Gilmour, Mrs. Homer Conger, Mrs. Perl Bateman, Mrs. Virgil Swanson, Mrs. Calvin Welch, Mrs. Frank Holbrook, grandmother of the honored guest, and the hostess.

Return Home After Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mathern, Jr., and son, Jerry, and Mrs. Mathern's mother, Mrs. Kenobbi, who have been visiting at the home of Mr. Mathern's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mathern and with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harper returned to their home in Sioux Falls, S. D., last week.

Also visiting the past week at the Mathern home has been Mrs. Joe Kolda of Bencia, Cal., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mathern, Sr.

Reames Chapter Plans Luncheon

Reames Chapter, No. 66, O.E.S., will meet Wednesday at 11 a. m., at the Masonic temple for the regular potluck luncheon and Red Cross sewing session. Those having portable sewing machines are asked to bring them to the temple. There will also be hand sewing. Coffee, cream and sugar will be furnished. All Eastern Star members are invited.

Sams Valley Ladies Club To Meet Thursday

Sams Valley Ladies club will meet Thursday at the home of Mrs. Peter Burrenson rather than the Peffley home as previously announced. All ladies are invited.

Eye to Eye AND Shoulder to Shoulder

FOR simple duty done, the American Legion recently presented this Company with a citation. It came because Standard had sincerely applauded the Legion's varied contribution to community life. And the Legion said "Thanks."

The Legion's objectives are to be a good soldier in war... in peace a good citizen. These, too, can be the ideals of a corporation.

All may see today that when war-clouds lower we oil people must spring to active duty—in field and refinery. As a good soldier, Standard now is helping keep the tanks rolling... the trucks and trains moving... the planes flying.

Less obvious are Standard's more peaceful activities as a good citizen... fair pay and treatment for our own people that they may truly enjoy their American birth-rights... support for organizations like the Boy Scouts, Red Cross, U.S.O., Community Chests, Legion—all dedicated to the common good.

Such business of trying to live right is no more than should be expected of every American institution. That makes it the pleasanter to be picked for a formal "Well done" from the Legion—at once the public and the core of America. Maybe we're a bit uncertain as to what a cockle is. But, brother, this warms the cockles of our heart.

THURSDAY, 8-9 P. M.

73RD WEEKLY STANDARD SYMPHONY

Pierre Monteux, Conductor

Mutual-Don Lee Network

Stars and Stripes Forever... Sousa

Swing Out Sweetie... DeSik

Symphony No. 40, in C Minor, Mozart

Marche Joyeuse... Chabrier

Dances for Hops and Stripes... Debussy

In a Haunted Forest... MacDowell

The Golden Cockerel... Rimsky-Korsakov

Introduction and March... Rimsky-Korsakov

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CALENDAR

Monday

6:30 p. m.—Olive Rebekah lodge dinner, I. O. O. F. hall.

7:30 p. m.—Olive Rebekah lodge meeting, I. O. O. F. hall.

7:30 p. m.—Women's Chorus of Medford Musical society, home Mrs. C. H. Paske, 1010 South Oakdale avenue.

7:30 p. m.—Women's Service League of St. Mark's church at parish hall.

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Glimpse of War-Time Canada Is Given by C. W. Kirkpatrick

(Editor's note: The following impressions of war-time Canada were written by C. W. Kirkpatrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kirkpatrick, of 713 East Jackson street, Medford. C. W. Kirkpatrick, whose home is in Modesto, Calif., is making a vacation tour of Canada and the eastern portion of the United States.)

As we crossed the Ambassador bridge from Detroit to Windsor, Canada, we noticed the British flags flying at half-mast in observance of Armistice day—Remembrance day to the Canadians. A large billboard notified American tourists that they were welcomed to "War-time Canada."

If anything, the welcome was more cordial than in peacetime because as the "Good Neighbor" pamphlet frankly explains, "the tourist trade is one of Canada's most important sources of United States funds which she needs to purchase essential supplies in the United States. When you vacation in Canada you are contributing to the cause of freedom-loving peoples."

Routine questions and customs inspection was no more detailed than in peacetime. No warning concerning conduct of tourists is given excepting with regard to cameras. As would be expected, photographing of military zones is prohibited.

There is nothing to characterize the country as belligerent except the patriotic posters, banners and other war publicity and the men in uniform. The vast majority of a total of approximately 750,000 men in the service are volunteers. Over 100,000 have volunteered since May of this year.

These figures are more impressive when we remember that Canada's total population is about the same as that of the state of New York.

Conscription is enforced within the age limits 21-24 inclusive. The conscript may volunteer for active service (willingness to be sent overseas.) At least 75 per cent of them do so.

The soldier's pay is \$1.30 per day. In addition he receives board, lodging, clothing, medical and dental care. If he is married his wife receives \$35 per month and \$12 is allowed for each child if there are no more than two. No additional amount is allowed for additional children. Also \$20 of the soldier's monthly wages is sent to his wife. Hence, a wife with two children will receive \$79 per month from the government as long as her husband is in the service. Despite the fact that so many have volunteered, the government is now seriously considering conscription of all male citizens up to 40 or 45 years of age.

As we expected, the victory V's were in prominence everywhere, a wide variety of patriotic appeals and various war propaganda slogans greet the citizenry in almost every store window, on billboards, car windows and the like.

Most prominent of all poster and billboard appeals solicits investment in war savings certificates in order to assist in the "War Weapons Drive." On the humorous side is the pennant with the illustration of the English bulldog in full pursuit of Hitler. In the dog's mouth we see a small bit of Mr. Hitler's trousers and a small portion of his posterior extremity is bared. The caption is: "The End Is In Sight."

In order to meet the unusual wartime expenses, each worker is assessed six per cent of his salary for war tax and eight per cent for defense tax. He also pays income tax assessed against his nominal salary before aforementioned tax deductions are effected. This latter assessment elicited the only complaint we heard concerning the wartime taxation set up. It will readily be seen what the sum total of all these taxes does to anybody's income. On the other hand, there is no federal sales tax. There was no provincial tax in Ontario, the only part of Canada through which we traveled, but we were informed that some of the other provinces had adopted the sales tax.

So far as we could ascertain, there seemed to be unanimous approval of the government's recent action in creating a price control board to limit retail price increases beyond "what is absolutely necessary." We were told that the official estimate of the increase in the cost of living since the beginning of the war

was six per cent. This figure surprised us as we had assumed the increases would be greater than in the United States where the cost of living has risen about 10 per cent if our memory fails not.

All commodities seemed to be plentiful and we heard no reports of curtailing of consumption and manufacture of domestic goods due to needs of war industries. The exception to this rule is gasoline. Due to the lack of transport tankers (now in the service of England) the supply of gasoline is not deemed adequate to meet domestic needs. Consequently, service stations are only open from 7 to 7. Since there is no limit on the amount that can be purchased, however, it can be assumed that the shortage is not yet critical.

So far as we could see, the people are accepting their lot cheerfully, realizing how much worse it could be were it not for their fortunate geographic position. They appreciate the assistance the United States is giving the allies. They seem to have the highest regard for American people in general and for President Roosevelt in particular. The American flag is often displayed alongside the British and Canadian. One of the most popular window cards features the photographs of Mr. Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt.

One of the recruiting officers remarked that some of the people had not yet awakened to the gravity of the situation. He suggested that if the Nazis could arrange to drop some bombs close to them there would be a quick and drastic change in their attitude. However, he stressed the fact that, although some were not as enthusiastic as they should be, the people were 100 per cent behind the efforts of the government to do the utmost to assist the mother country.

POLITICAL BELIEF NO DRAFT EXCUSE

Salem, Dec. 1.—(P)—Lieutenant Colonel Elmer V. Wooten, state selective service director, said today that classification as a conscientious objector to military training must be based on a registrant's religious training and belief, while political concepts which oppose military service will not be considered as a basis for such deferment.

Conscientious objectors, after their service in federal work camps, will be assigned to a

reserve force and are liable for additional work camp duty, just as draftees are assigned to the military reserve after completion of military training, he said.

Men assigned to work camps are not eligible for reemployment benefits given to draftees. Seven Oregon men have been sent to work camps, and seven more will report next month. A total of 1,450 draftees in the United States have been classified as conscientious objectors.

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JUDGE STAPLETON DIES
Portland, Ore., Dec. 1.—(AP)—Circuit Judge James P. Stapleton, 67, died late yesterday at his summer home near Vancouver, Wash. He had been in ill health for more than a year. Before coming to Portland in 1916, Judge Stapleton was city attorney at Vancouver, district attorney of Skamania county, Wash., and later district attorney of Clark county, Wash.

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