

SEAPLANE TENDER ON ALEUTIAN DUTY AGED DESTROYER

Little, Old Craft Has Heroic
Role in Bleak North Bat-
tle—Planes Used Hard.

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Aboard U. S. Seaplane Tender in the Aleutians, June 25—(De-
layed)—The wind is a wild
70-knot gale hurling whitecaps
across the bay, and tonight no
planes will be in the air—
neither ours nor the Japanese.
The battle of the Aleutians
is not yet over. The Japs are
still in Kiska.

But tonight it's all right to
relax a little and consider how
things have been with this un-
glamorous little tub and her
brood of lumbering PBV Cata-
lina flying boats.

Old and Cramped
She's a little ship, old and
cramped. Once she was a four-
piper destroyer but they ripped
out half her power plant and
used the former firerooms to
store extra food, aviation gas,
bombs and men. Then they
sent her out to nurse the Cats.

Not even her most charitable
friend could call her a warship.
She's no more a fighting ship
than are the 15-ton flying boats
she serves. But the war has
produced no more valorous
chapter than the stubborn fight
the Cats and the tender are
making against the first inva-
sion of American soil since 1812.

For Kiska, after all, is Amer-
ican soil. Bleak, remote, dreary
and useless as it is, Kiska is
still America.

The little tender lay in Dutch
Harbor on June 3, when the
Mitsubishi first howled through
the clouds mantling Mt. Bally-
hoo's frosty crown. It was there
she received her baptism of fire,
and when a Zero caught a Cat
on the water and burned it up
the tender's crew saw the first
of her charges destroyed—a
heart-breaking sight, to be re-
peated more than once in the
savage days that followed.

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this point.)

Three Japs Downed
When the Jap planes went
away, they left two Zeros and
a Mitsubishi shot full of the
tender's machinegun fire and
burning on Mt. Ballyhoo's
flanks.

In the days that followed, the
Catalinas flew ceaselessly up
down the island chain in the
eternal miasmic fogs. And where
the Cats went the tender fol-
lowed, lugging gasoline, fresh
bombs, hot meals and a few
hours shelter from one foggy
danger cove to another.

Once in her uncharted wan-
derings I am told she caught
a Jap submarine on the surface.
She isn't a fighting ship, as was
said before, but she stopped
long enough to drop four depth
charges and saw the crushed
undersea boat rise to the sur-
face, roll over and sink.

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this point.)

Cats Overworked
In time the PBV crews were
haggard wrecks and their planes
weren't much better. Some men
flew 102 hours in two weeks
and the planes were beached for
repairs only when they would
fly no longer. Whenever a plane
cracked up in the surf, bleary-
eyed repair crews stripped off
its usable parts to patch planes
shot to tatters by the Japs.

The Cat pilots, worn as they
were, viewed with sarcastic hu-
mor the chores required of their

Holly Westerner



Western romance flames anew
as Tim Holt and Janet Waldo
take sides with the roaring West
in "Land of the Open Range",
which comes to the Holly the-
atre for tomorrow night and Sat-
urday as the added feature with
"Escape from Hong Kong", star-
ring Leo Carrillo and Andy De-
vine.

elephantine craft. They were
flying patrols and searches,
fighting Zeros, carrying torpe-
does and using their clumsy
crates as dive bombers. A PBV
is as big as a barn, and maneu-
vers like a battleship.

Wryly the pilots dubbed
their outfit the "PBV Intercep-
tor Command" and designated
Dutch Harbor "PBV Elimination
Base."

GIRL SCOUT CAMP REGISTRY CLOSES

Registration closed Monday
for the Girl Scout camp at Lake
o' Woods, August 2 to 9 and 9
to 16. The Girl Scout office will
be open next Thursday morning
only for campers to secure
health blanks and pay their
complete camp fee. Reservations
for transportation to camp must
be in the office by July 27 or
campers will have to provide
their own transportation, the
office announced.

Girls are urged to take their
personal possessions to camp in
their bed rolls or duffle bag to
conserve transportation space.

The Girl Scout office an-
nouncement stated that an ex-
cellent staff has been secured to
direct the camp this year. Train-
ing of staff members will be
held four morning periods at the
home of Mrs. O. A. Eden. Mrs.
Marjorie Pena, camp director,
will be assisted by Miss Elise
Older, Mesdames Richard Payne,
Edwin R. Runtz, Ivah Murray,
Lina Wright, and Misses Wanda
Burch, Mary Bruce Crane and
Marjorie Jewett.

COUNTY SAVING ON WARRANT INTEREST

The semi-annual report of
County Treasurer Ralph E.
Sweeney shows in the six
months period of this year end-
ing July 1 Jackson county paid
six cents interest on county
warrants. This was for a year-
old county warrant for \$1. The
records show in 1937-38 close
to \$5,000 in interest was paid
on warrants. No warrants have
been protested here in more
than two years.

The same report shows \$18-
438.88 as interest on delinquent
taxes was collected for the same
period.

Cash on hand on July 1 to-
talled \$820,367.10.

RUEHLE REAPPOINTED

Salem, July 23.—(P)—Dr. Ot-
to Ruehle, Portland, member of
the State Veterinary Medical
board, was reappointed by Gov-
ernor Sprague today to a four-
year term, effective today.

MEAT SHORTAGE LOOMS IN EAST

By The Associated Press

A shortage of meat was re-
ported today in several cities.
Some stores in Akron, Ohio,
announced they were out of
meat. Beef deliveries to Boston
were 75 to 80 per cent below
normal and wholesale dealers
there met to seek a solution to
the problem.

In Cincinnati, packers stated
they were reducing hog slaugh-
ter by at least one third and
beef by 25 to 35 per cent. A
processor there said government-
fixed price ceilings had halted
his output of orders for military
purposes.

Office of price administration
officials in Washington acknowl-
edged the dearth of meat in
Akron but expressed the opinion
that the situation was "worse,
if anything, along the eastern
seaboard."

LONE NAZI RAIDER STRAFES ENGLAND

London, July 23.—(P)—A num-
ber of civilians were killed by
a single German plane which
came in low to drop a stick of
bombs in the shopping center
of an east coast town in day-
light today.

One direct hit wiped out a
family of six. Another bomb
split a house squarely in two
but its occupants escaped with-
out a scratch. Hotels and other
establishments were smashed.

Other enemy planes were
over east England and the east
midlands today.

German raiders, striking at
night against areas in East Anglia
and southern England, caused a
small number of casualties and
some property damage.

One German plane was shot
down.

Illegal Fishing Costs Pair \$25

Eugene Gordon Helms and
Wilbur W. Hodge of this city,
charged with fishing in a pro-
hibited area of Rogue river were
each fined \$25 and costs in
justice court yesterday on pleas
of guilty. Hodge was given
until Saturday to start pay-
ments.

The men, arrested by the state
police, were fishing between the
Gold Ray dam and the Gold Ray
bridge.

BIRTHS

WALL—To Mr. and Mrs.
Carol, Route 1, Central Point,
July 19, a boy, 7½ lbs., at
Community hospital.

GROVE—To Mr. and Mrs.
Earl, Medford, July 19, a boy,
6 lbs., at Community hospital.

OLSON—To Mr. and Mrs.
Warren, 1430 Euclid avenue,
July 21, a boy, 7 lbs., at Com-
munity hospital.

HEDGEPAATH—To Mr. and
Mrs. H. V., Central Point,
July 22, a boy, 6 lbs., at Com-
munity hospital.

SEDELL—To Mr. and Mrs.
J. C., 22 Tripp street, July 17,
a girl, 6 lbs., at Community
hospital.

SMITH—To Mr. and Mrs.
Emmitt, 199 McAndrews Road,
July 18, a girl, 8 lbs., at Com-
munity hospital.

SMITH—To Mr. and Mrs.
Clarence, route 1, July 18, a
boy, 9 lbs., at Community hos-
pital.

FRITZ—To Mr. and Mrs. O.
R., 23 Glen Oak Court, July 18,
a boy, 8 lbs., at Community
hospital.

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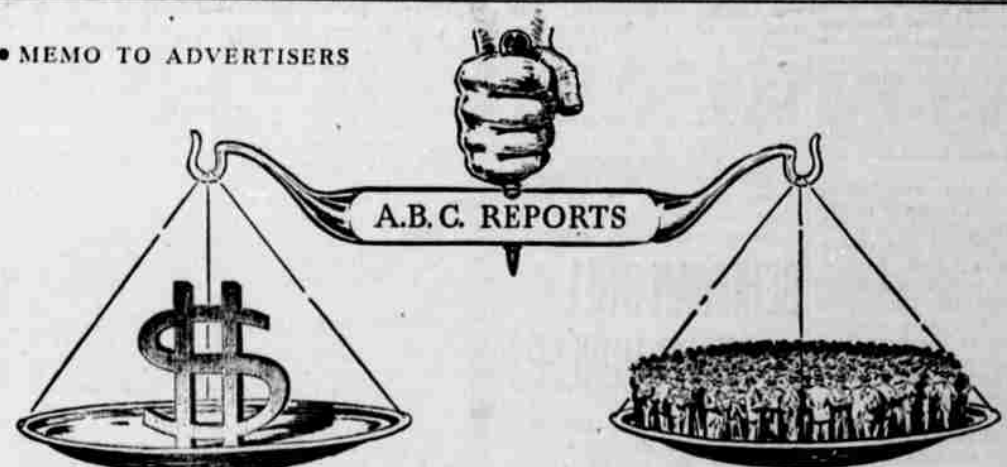
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of the distribution of their advertising—
the size, quality and interest of the audience
to which their advertising is addressed.
From that viewpoint our circulation be-
comes a more direct factor in business plans.

There are well-known standards for cir-
culation values just as there are definite
measures of weight and quality as used
in the purchase and sale of merchandise.

The standards for evaluating circulation
have been established by the Audit Bureau
of Circulations, a national cooperative
association of 2000 advertisers, advertising
agencies and publishers in the United
States and Canada. This newspaper is an
A.B.C. member.

The Bureau has a large staff of experi-
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men visits our office and makes an audit
of our circulation records. Based on the
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