

Washington Letter Analysis and Comment

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Medford's bright fall weather continues, which is probably a lucky thing, for walking is becoming more and more the order of the day. This week the OPA reduced the value of gasoline coupons from four to three gallons each.

After more than a year of censorship restrictions on that popular subject, the weather, announcement was made this week that the restrictions were lifted. Weather forecasting and other weather information can now be carried in the paper daily.

Harvest of fruit and tomatoes is being completed this week. Due to the ideal weather, the tomato crop is larger than expected.

Tonight's the night of the "big" game between Medford and Klamath Falls, and in next Friday's Home Front column you'll get the result and some of the details. Right now, it looks like the two teams are fairly evenly-matched, with a slight advantage to Klamath, undefeated in four games.

Last Saturday the Black Torpedo traveled to Eureka, Calif., and came home with a 6 to 6 tie. Doug Plumley scored the

Medford touchdown. The locals were held for downs on Eureka's three-inch line just before the game ended. Medford has now won two, tied one and lost none.

Members of the Medford American Legion have already started plans for the annual celebration of Armistice Day and are also participating in a series of district conferences stressing "America Alert," a program drafted at the last national convention of the legion.

Leo Kelly, Prospect youth, missed a date with the army physicians Tuesday. Young Kelly went hunting over the weekend and lost himself in the Herschberger area. Searchers located him Tuesday afternoon, but not on time for him to carry out the orders of the draft board. Another Prospect man, Chester Wilcox, lost from another party in the same vicinity, found his way home unaided by following the Rogue River.

Medford airmen have an edge on the news this week. Cpl. Robert Fletcher is one of 156 charter members of the "I Bombed Japan Club," a Washington news story reports. Cpl. Fletcher came home last month

after several months on the Aleutians and is now training B-17 gunners at Las Vegas, Nev. As a turret gunner on a Fortress Cpl. Fletcher participated in 63 different raids while in the north. He has been awarded the army Air Medal and Oak Leaf Clusters.

A second airman in the news this week is Lt. Richard Davis, whose wife received an account of his participation in a raid on Wewak on New Guinea last month. The Mitchell bomber which the lieutenant was piloting had one motor shot away and was otherwise disabled but after the co-pilot had thrown overboard everything that could be torn loose, Lt. Davis nursed the crippled craft home. The day Mrs. Davis received the article telling of the raid, she had just returned home from the hospital with her infant daughter, born October 4.

A dispatch Wednesday from a bomber base in England told of a Flying Fortress, "Ohio Air Force" returning from a raid over Germany with a record bag of 12 Nazi planes downed during an air battle lasting an hour and a half. Co-pilot of the plane was Second Lt. Thomas Helman, who visited in Medford a couple of months ago before going overseas.

Describing a 12-day grueling jungle campaign in New Guinea in which Staff Sgt. Hubert Santo of Medford played an important part is a story in this week's issue of Yank. The battle preceded the capture of Munda airfield on New Georgia and the article tells how Sgt. Santo had to act in the dual role of ammo

carrier and platoon leader, his outfit having lost its lieutenant. Sgt. Santo's parents had three letters from their son last week. The sergeant's brother, Albert, is stationed in Hawaii as a chief storekeeper.

Sgt. John Eads was wounded in action in the southwest Pacific area September 25, according to a wire from the war department. Extent of his injuries is not disclosed.

Bill Bowerman, who is attending the officers' advanced course at Ft. Benning, has found that his fame as a football player for the University of Oregon several years ago has followed him into the army, a recent dispatch from Ft. Benning telling how Bowerman's companions recalled some of his games. The ex-player and coach is now an infantry captain. Another football player in the news this week is Curt Hopkins, who has started bombardier pre-flight training at Santa Ana. Curt's training was delayed a month while he was in the hospital with pneumonia. He went to Santa Ana from La Grande, where he took his army collegiate training.

Among navy men home on leave this week are Ensign George Tucker of the merchant marine, Lt. H. D. Byington, officer of a navy supply ship, and Ensign C. H. Paske, Jr., navy pilot.

Ensign Tucker's ship carried supplies in the Mediterranean sea for many months and Lt. Byington is home on "survivors' leave," his ship having been bombed and badly damaged by the Japanese in the southern Pacific area.

Ensign Paske is home for the first time in more than a year. The ensign's plane was shot down last summer and he and his crew spent a week on a small Pacific island. Ensign Paske, who has been in the navy five years, was decorated by the navy as the result of the incident.

Grant Bean, discharged from the army because of age and now in the enlisted reserve, visited Medford a few days ago and described his experiences during the Aleutian campaign. Bean, who spent 13 months in the Aleutians in the transportation corps, described the Alaskan weather as terrible.

Also home this week is Lt. Jerome Boshers, pilot of a Flying Fortress, who is being transferred from Hebb, N. M., to Salt Lake City. Pvt. H. Jule Harper is here from Camp Roberts to visit relatives and Cpl. D. Hollenbeck is home from Wilmington, N. C., where he is stationed with the air corps.

Pvt. Floyd Donald Yarnell is enrolled in the marine corps pre-officer course at Gustavus Adolphus college at the University of Washington under the navy V-12 program, has been recommended for midshipmen's school.

Lt. John B. Harr is now stationed at Geiger Field in Spokane and John C. Rector has been graduated from the naval diesel school on the campus of Iowa State college and given the rating of fireman first class. Franklin Hal Gebhard, radio-man third class, has graduated from radio school at the University of Wisconsin and is now at

Port Blakely, Wash. Tommie Burdett, stationed in Hawaii, has been promoted to aviation metallurgy first class. His brother, Charles Robert, baker first class, is also stationed in Hawaii.

Pfc. Lou L. Martin has been sent overseas and is now "somewhere in India." Also overseas is Staff Sgt. Robert J. Buckles.

Large numbers of men continue to go into the service from Medford and other points in the valley. Among those leaving this week for army service was Oliver Gustafson, and Eugene Orr and Harold Head were among those leaving for training with the Seabees. John McCabe has left for training with the coast guard. Savella May Davidson has enlisted in the WAVES. Her brother, Lt. Thomas P. Davidson, is stationed at Mountain Home, Ida.

Recent weddings announced were those of Colleen Friend to Maurice Imhausen and Nellie Nipper to Frank Douglas.

POST-WAR EQUALITY
Pittsburgh, Oct. 15—(U.P.)—Post-war equality of nations regardless of their size and wealth, and a peace based on a "world-wide system of liberty under law" were urged by Dr. Carlos Martins, Brazilian ambassador to the United States,

in an address at the annual Founder's day exercises at Carnegie institute last night.

Scoters are used to transport production executives about the 87-acre Willow Run bomber plant.

BLUE SALE COMPLETED

New York, Oct. 15—(U.P.)—Sale of the Blue Network, Inc., to the American Broadcasting System for \$8,000,000 was completed yesterday with the transfer of 1,000 shares of stock, the entire capitalization, by the Radio Corporation of America

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