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The post-war home, housewives are advised, "will be equipped to catch the Sun."

There is no shortage of rodeos for the proper observance of the Fourth of July.

"STRANGER SUFFERS FROM CALIFORNIA."—(Exchange Hldline).—The state produces the best of everything including pains.

Social activities in the metropolises are still hampered by mosquitoes, who are feasting on the shapely shanks and way points of the weaker sex.

HIS HONOR TUMBLES, TOO (Pendleton East Oregonian) "Three men, arrested here as vagabonds, proved before Recorder Lash that they were not vags but were tumblers on their way to California to keep engagements."

As a result of the labors of the last legislature, there are 358 new laws now in effect in Oregon.

"Primitive demands in modern man are in sharp conflict with ill-defined yearnings arising from the dissatisfaction of the higher and comparatively recently acquired critical and ethical tastes."

The bills are getting brown and bare, like an outdoor girl.

REDTIME STORY (Del Norte (Cal.) Triplet) "Mr. Rudisall, new owner of De Martin's ranch on Wilson Creek, frightened a large bear away from his ranch house that was eating a sheep."

People fleeing to the hills for the Fourth of July are urged to be careful and not set a forest fire, or look too much like a deer, due to the beef shortage.

Emperor Fo-Kien is reported to have used a dirigible balloon at his coronation party, 1206 A.D.

Independence Day Changes

Tomorrow is Independence Day. Because of the war it won't be the usual, traditional Independence Day.

And also because of the war there has been a radical change in the meaning of independence, as related to nations.

In the literal sense of the term there is no longer any such "animule." We mean nations are not, and can not be independent in the sense this was true when our forefathers fought for American independence some 170 years ago.

THE war now closing has revealed this fact strikingly. When the war broke out in Europe in 1939 not one American in a thousand wanted his country to get into it.

But as the war progressed it became more and more apparent that this country could not. We had broken completely away from England in the direction of government, but not policy.

A YEAR before Germany declared war on the United States this country had come to realize that the United States could not afford to see England beaten and her fleet destroyed.

This is only one example of many, where two nations, entirely independent of each other politically are not, and can not be, in policy.

WHAT is true in the realm of international relations, where the larger nations are concerned, is even more true regarding the smaller nations.

One heard a great deal about "national independence" at the San Francisco Conference and the desire for it was,—and is,—in many parts of the world intense.

But nothing was more clearly demonstrated there than that it just CAN'T be done. Complete independence in any realistic sense for the smaller nations can't be realized any more in this closely related and highly competitive world.

FOR in the realm of international relations, the small nation alone is completely helpless. There, whether we like it or don't, power politics still rules.

For there as of today, three large nations rule the world.—Britain, Russia and the United States. And with Germany and Japan eliminated, the five great powers (France and China added), promise to rule for many decades to come.

So what can a small power, or any likely combination of small powers, do? Nothing unless they can secure aid from one or more of the "Quintumvirate."

IN other words while the desire for national independence is as strong,—perhaps stronger,—today than ever before, internationally it has practically ceased to exist especially as far as the smaller nations are concerned.

And as we see it, there will be no revival as long as there is no radical change in the nature of modern war,—for no nation can succeed in war today without tremendous manpower and tremendous mass production, and this capacity is confined to the five great powers,—to only two actually, to the other three potentially.

Does this mean a backward step as far as a peaceful world and human freedom are concerned? Not as we see it. There is every reason in fact to believe that for the individual his welfare and his personal freedom will steadily increase.

But it probably does mean, less actual freedom of action and independence for nations, and especially the smaller ones; because the post war world will be a far more interDEPENDENT world, and because of the nature of modern war, very likely, a better and more peaceful one!

Another War for Russia

The New York News is much excited about the recent calling out of new classes for the Russian army, maintaining it means war. Well, it probably does. But not war in Europe or against America. More likely war against Japan.

THIS is only a guess, but we can't believe Russia wants to fight any other nation in the next decade or two.

Why should she? Russia controls most of Europe now and will eventually control the rest of it, with the exception of England,—WITHOUT fighting.

Stalin may have his faults, he certainly has his peculiarities. But he is nobody's fool. And only a fool would go to war for some thing he could get without war.

MOREOVER, as things are lining up now, Russia can hardly afford to keep out of the war in the Pacific much longer. There is no doubt whatever the Kremlin considers Russian security on the shores of the Pacific as supremely important and political con-

trol of Manchuria and northern China as only slightly less so.

But if she fails to jump in against Japan until the Anglo-Americans have won the war, then the chances of doing either will be slim,—at least to the extent Soviet Russia always desires to do and with the consent and good will of her Anglo-American allies also.

SO, in all likelihood Russia plans to declare war on Japan in the near future. Such action will require fresh troops, not only because Russia suffered terrific losses in the war against Germany, but she wishes to return as many of her veteran troops as possible to the work of reconstruction and to maintain necessary strength new recruits will therefore be necessary.

We have no official or inside information to back this belief. But at least such an explanation for calling out the '23 and '24 classes, makes sense; while the assumption it means a Red war against Britain or the United States, DOESN'T.

Our Men and Women in the Nation's Service

PVT. FRED KERBY SAYS FIRST DAY'S COMBAT HARDEST

With the First Cavalry Division on Luzon—"That first day in combat is the toughest of all, even if nothing does happen," in the opinion of Pvt. Fred H. Kerby, Medford.

A member of the 12th Cavalry regiment of the First Cavalry division, Pvt. Kerby first went into action on Luzon. "Nothing much happened that first day," recalls Kerby. "We were stationed not far from Manila, and there weren't many Japs around our area at the time, but every time I heard a gun go off, I got nervous. I was an ammunition carrier for a .30 caliber machine-gun, and I don't think that the boys had to worry much about getting their ammunition that day."

A lumberjack in civilian life, Kerby took his basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif., and came overseas Jan. 11. His wife, Mrs. Ruth Kerby, lives at 621 Albert street, Medford.

Milton Medcalf Pearl Harbor, T. H.—Thousands of square miles in the Central Pacific are under the constant watch of the Hawaiian Sea Frontier, a unit of the fleet, assigned to the task of keeping the sea-lanes clear of enemy fleet units.

One of the men assigned to this command is Milton C. Medcalf, storekeeper third class, USNR, of Phoenix, Ore., who has been attached to the activity for two months.

He attended Phoenix High school at Phoenix, and before entering the service in October, 1942, he was employed at Medford. Previous to assignment to this area he was stationed at the Aleutian Islands.

Medcalf is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Medcalf of Phoenix.

Gerald Keeseo Billy Calvert Pearl Harbor, T. H.—Small ships of the navy assigned to the Central Pacific are repaired, serviced, and supplied at the section base here. Operating as an activity of the Fourteenth Naval district, the section base personnel are helping to keep the Central Pacific clear of enemy fleet units.

Two of these men from Medford, are Gerald G. Keeseo, quartermaster first class, USN, and Billy B. Calvert, metalsmith first class, USNR.

Keeseo is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Keeseo of 2850 So. Peach street. Calvert is the nephew of Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Kunz of 1036 W. 11th, Medford.

Gerald Rust Aboard an Aircraft Carrier in the Pacific—Gerald Harrison Rust, 27, electrician's mate, third class, USNR, of Lake Creek, Ore., enabled several of his shipmates to escape an area trapped by fire and then later searched the area at the risk of his own life.

Rust, who has flight deck battle station, lowered himself over the side to the trapped area providing a means of escape for the trapped men and then voluntarily searched the area for other men.

His wife lives in Lake Creek, and his mother, Mrs. Ruby Rusque, lives at 707 Sherman street, Medford. He has one brother, Cpl. Morgan E. Rust, in Italy. A twin brother, Jack, was killed in an army plane crash early in the war.

Frank Carter Frank E. Carter, aviation machinist's mate second class, USNR, of Route 4, Medford, has just returned from the Pacific where he and his navy Liberator crew shot down four enemy planes, scored a probable and sank an enemy ship.

Carter, a mechanic and gunner aboard the Liberator, and the crew scored their first kill in

early December when they shot down an enemy plane on the northwest tip of Mindora.

During his recent tour of combat duty in the Pacific, Carter completed 61 combat missions aboard the Liberator.

The 20-year-old combat aircrewman is the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baran of Medford. He attended the schools at Prospect, Ore.

Pvt. Lee Bumgardner Pvt. Lee R. Bumgardner of Medford was awarded the Silver Star medal for "outstanding gallantry" in Luxembourg on Dec. 24, when, after being wounded, he made a one-man stand in a tank turret and so disorganized an enemy attack that his deed paved the way for the liberation of Heiderscheid. At the time, he was a member of the 702nd Tank battalion.

Sgt. John Wilson With the 7th Infantry Division on Okinawa—Men in the 184th Infantry regiment do a lot of back slapping when S/Sgt. John L. Wilson, 32, of Medford, is around and it's a light enough gesture for what they're getting out of it.

Sgt. Wilson, a service company cook, heads a group of bakers turning out 5,500 doughnuts a day for the fighting men on the front.

The sergeant, the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Wilson of Route 2, Medford, is a veteran of four campaigns. He joined the army in March, 1941.

Lt. Clyde Chamberlain 1st Lt. Clyde E. Chamberlain, son of Mr. Edward R. Chamberlain, Eagle Point, has recently been assigned to Camp Stone-man, Calif., staging area of San Francisco Port of Embarkation.

Before coming to Camp Stone-man, Lt. Chamberlain served for 22 months as cargo security officer and transport commander.

Lt. Chamberlain is a graduate of Medford Business college, Medford. His wife, Elizabeth P., now makes her home at 335 Fairmont, Medford.

Pfc. Glenn Lowe While celebrating V-E day on the banks of the Enns river in central Austria, Pfc. Glenn Lowe, son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Lowe, Route 1, box 397, Medford, was awarded the combat infantryman's badge for active participation in the battle of Germany with the 65th Infantry division of General George S. Patton's Third army.

Pfc. Lowe entered the combat zone in northeastern France March 1, and took an active part as an 81 mm mortarman.

S1/c Harry Regar S1/c Harry Regar, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McGuigan, Medford, was among recent guests at the United Nations Service Center on Union Station Plaza, Washington, D. C.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer, although the use of a pen-name of initials for publication is permissible. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarity and condensation.

The Death of Roosevelt To the editor: Not often does one see a communication like this; so unusual, you might like to print it. I pass it on to you.

"Providence" Changed Horses The taking of President Roosevelt, not by an anarchist as some had feared, but by what men call providence, at the rather early age of only 63, when many men and women are still strong and active, shortly after he had been devoutly chosen by the people to remain their president for the duration, as they did not deem it wise to "change horses in the middle of the stream," as their providence now has done, has bewildered many people, so we are told.

"Man proposes, God disposes," they somberly say; "Man wanted Roosevelt, but God didn't want him. God removed him." Even the minister at his funeral believed that, God had an inscrutable reason for suddenly taking him, although they told us credulously after election that it was

God who wisely chose Roosevelt over Dewey.

"Vox populi vox Dei." "The voice of the People is the voice of God." Now that the vox Dei has changed and removed Roosevelt the people are bewildered, shocked.

Editors said that fate has given America a great loss, has played a very unkind trick on her by changing presidents—horses—in the middle of the stream, an act which the people were not rash enough to do and which they comically lament that their providence has done.

The bewilderment of the people in this predicament is, let me say frankly, caused by their ignorance, by the many false, shammy, superstitious and unreasonable notions and beliefs which they popularly hold. Indeed the people hold so many false notions and ideas that the hard facts of life are bound to shake them up frequently.

The laws of nature operate; natural cause and effect explain everything; and those who fanatically put a mysterious something which they vaguely and superstitiously call by the terms "fate," "providence," "foreordination," "destiny," and similar terms which explain and mean nothing; above the operations of natural happenings, are bound to be jarred into bewilderment every now and then, as they are now by a number of providential facts, in both the world of nature and of man.

Presidents, as common people, come and go. Remember the great Shakespeare's lines, "Golden lads and girls all must, as chimney sweepers, come to dust." And remember also that nature pays no heed to the passing of a president than to the passing of a peasant.

And as the Persian poet wrote: "When you and I behind the Veil are past, Oh, but the long, long while the world shall last, Which of our coming and departure heeds As the sea's self should heed a pebble cast."

John D. McInerney, Riverton, Nebraska. P. S.—Above is a verbatim copy, appearing in the Franklin Sentinel of Franklin, Neb., issue of April 26, 1945. W. W. Truax, Medford.

Rogue Troopers Explain To the editor,—There is a matter which we feel should be cleared up for the public concerning the rodeo which was sponsored by the Sheriff's Posse of Medford June 30 and July 1.

The Rogue Troopers have been criticized for not cooperating with the Posse, and we wish to have the public know that we were willing and did cooperate with the Posse in so far as we were asked to do so. We were invited to ride in the parade and the grand entry which we did on June 30. We were not invited to put on our drill either the 30th or the 1st of July, so accepted the invitation of the Klamath Falls Sheriff's Posse and Saddle Club to drill at Klamath Falls, July 1, that being reason that we were not present for the grand entry on July 1 here at Medford.

The Trail Riders of Ashland have invited us to drill at Ashland, July 4th, and we have also accepted this invitation.

ROGUE TROOPERS, By Besse M. Thompson, Secretary.

PHONE MAN CHARGED San Francisco, July 3 — (U.P.)—Harold Vaughn Mann, 46, northern California pay station manager for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co., today faced 12 counts of embezzlement in a complaint by his employers. Vaughn was arrested last night after investigators reportedly found his toll station receipts \$30,000 short.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember.

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TEN YEARS AGO TODAY July 3, 1935 (It was Wednesday) Citizens in mass movement to hills and coast for nation's birthday.

Vesuvius belches lava on Naples.

Peach and apricot growers of valley to meet and make prices.

Roosevelt gives plans for relief program in nation.

Shakespearean pageant starts at Ashland.

Germany executes two Nazi spies.

County road oiling program half finished.

THIRTY YEARS AGO TODAY July 3, 1925 (It was Friday) Start drilling for oil on Sardine creek.

Santa Barbara again hit by earthquake.

President Coolidge tells Europe peace covenants will be backed by America.

Cloudy. High 95, low 56 degrees.

Exodus to hills for double Fourth holiday continues. City deserted.

Copco to dedicate new plant on Klamath river Sunday.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY July 3, 1911 (It was Monday) Many orchards in the valley are being named, under a law passed by the last legislature.

Leonard Carpenter and Alfred Carpenter play in first golf tournament at Medford Golf club.

Fair. High 90, low 47 degrees.

THE GRANGE

Central Point Grange Home Economics Club of Central Point Grange met June 27 at the home of Mrs. Delmar Smith at 1612 West Main street, Medford. Dessert luncheon was served by the hostess and Margaret Taylor, Mrs. Julius Dobrot, Mrs. C. F. Smith, and Mrs. Walters.

Resignation of the club's president, Mrs. Scott Hamilton was accepted and Mrs. Ruby Downing was elected to fill the vacancy. The vice-president's office was filled by Mrs. Naomi Goering.

The Pomona Grange picnic for July 15, was discussed and committees appointed to assist the chairman at the grounds at Mokee Bridge on the Applegate.

The club will meet in July at the home of Mrs. Fred Sanders in Oak Grove district with Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. B. E. Ford, and Mrs. O. T. Wilson as hostesses.

Mrs. Mattie Smith was reported as recovering nicely from a recently broken hip. The visitor, Mrs. Ritchie from Taft, Calif., is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Sanders.

An interesting program is planned for Friday's meeting with the new lecturer, Cleo Young in charge. Among features will be moving pictures of the European war and an exhibit of mementos brought back from the war zones. Music and comedy will complete the program, which will be held before the opening of the session and will be open to the public.

T. M. MEDFORD GIVEN SAFEWAY PROMOTION

Klamath Falls, July 3—(U.P.)—T. M. Medford, for 10 years district manager of Safeway Stores, Klamath Falls district, has been promoted to a larger area. He will have charge of stores embracing Salem, Eugene, Corvallis and Coos Bay area and will make his home in Salem. M. J. (Mike) Hauser, Pendleton, has been named as successor to Medford.

While in Klamath Falls, Medford was active in civic affairs, was on the advisory board of Salvation Army and was secretary-treasurer of Reames Golf and County Club.

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