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Is Senator Morse Against OPA?

It is too bad the Congressional Record is not more generally read. Too bad, particularly for the people who wish to know what is really going on in Washington...

TAKE the case of Senator Wayne Morse and the OPA regulations regarding Oregon lambs.

Senator Morse, through his effective agitation, has secured material betterment in the situation; but because of his zeal—what some seem to regard as excessive zeal!

HAD such people followed the proceedings in the Senate via the Congressional Record they would have entertained no such misapprehension.

For, not only does Senator Morse heartily favor the OPA and its purposes, he firmly believes its discontinuance would be a national calamity.

Mr. Morse: "I, for one, Mr. President, know that a great many criticisms of the OPA have no foundation in fact. Let me repeat something I have attempted to make clear so many times in my speeches on this question: I think it would result in an economic catastrophe in America if the OPA were put out of business."

Difficult to imagine a much stronger defense and justification of OPA and its fundamental purposes than that!

BUT necessary as this federal agency is, and valuable and essential as are its functions, Senator Morse believes it has erred in so many directions, has been mistaken and bungling in so many of its methods and policies that not only for the sake of the public welfare but for the sake of the OPA itself and its perpetuation a thorough survey should be made so the errors may be revealed and necessary corrections made.

"So, Mr. President, I say that I, for one, believe that the Senate of the United States should put itself in such a position that it can answer with FACT, unfounded criticisms of OPA and it also should put itself in such a position through such a committee as my resolution calls for—to correct the abuses which in fact do exist in OPA."

And so do we. And so we believe do all right thinking people regardless of politics.

LET there be light. Let the facts, all the facts,—be known. Not for the purpose of discrediting this essential war agency but for the purpose of strengthening and improving it and thus gaining that support and satisfaction among the people so essential to its perpetuation, its usefulness and its complete success.

Air Force 38 Years Old

The American Air Forces will observe their 38th anniversary tomorrow by carrying on a systematic destruction of Japanese industries and cities. Great fleets of U. S. bombers and fighters which have, through well organized strategic and tactical operations, razed Germany, are now joining the Pacific air power of the Allies to blast and burn the Samurai dream of world conquest.

THIRTY-EIGHT years ago the AAF had its beginning with one of Orville Wright's first planes. Its initiation to warfare came when Pershing went into Mexico after Pancho Villa. One plane took part in that campaign. When war was declared on Germany in 1917 we had 35 pilots, 1,087 enlisted men, 55 planes, one armed. From 1941 to 1943 the Air Force grew to 2,800,000 officers and men and 100,000 planes. America's industries have produced 280,000 planes—the AAF has participated in 2,300,000 combat flights and dropped two million tons of bombs. That doesn't include the fine record of the navy.

YES, the American Air Forces have come a long way since those days, and the role of air power is fulfilling, in no uncertain terms, the most optimistic predictions of once maligned General Billy Mitchell.

IT is a military truism that victory is least costly in lives when it is attained swiftly by overwhelming forces. That is why we are today hitting the Japanese with all of the air and fire power possible, keeping her off balance to force a decision as early as possible.

One. It is up to the home front to solve quickly the bickering in B-29 plants; for work layoffs mean bombing layoffs. The longer the war is prolonged the more expensive it will become, not only financially but in the lives of Americans.—H.G.

SHRINERS GATHER 105 TONS PAPER IN COUNTY DRIVE

An estimated 105 tons of paper and 20,000 pounds of tin were collected in Jackson county last week in the Shrine club salvage drive. Col. O. L. Overmyer stated today. Exact figures will not be available until the paper and tin have been received and weighed at salvage depots, but Overmyer says that 33,000 pounds of paper were collected in the Ashland area and three railroad carloads have been shipped from the county.

Public response in the drive was considered good. Proceeds realized will go to the Shrine hospital for crippled children.

Livestock

Portland, Ore. July 31 (UP)—Livestock: Cattle 100, calves 25. Active, fully steady, with Monday. Medium-good steers 14.50-16.00; common-medium largely 11.00-13.50; most common-medium heifers 10.00-14.00; canner-cutter cows 7.00-9.00; medium-good beef cows 11.00-12.50; few good bulls 11.75-12.00; good-choice vealers 14.00-14.50.

Chicago, July 31 (UP)—(WFA)—Livestock: Hogs 6000; active, fully steady. Good and choice barrows and gilts 14.00-14.75, ceiling; good and choice sows 14.00-14.75. Cattle: 7000; calves: 800; fed steers and yearlings, including yearling heifers, steady, active, with Monday. Good and choice common and medium grades slow. Cows strong to 15 cents higher; bulls fully steady. Vealers unchanged at 16.00-15.50; down; bulk good and choice fed steers 13.25-17.50; common and medium grade 11-14; top fed steers 18.

Portland Produce

Portland, July 31 (UP)—(HMP)—Potatoes—Louisiana Yams, \$4.50 50-lb. crate. Cantaloupes—Standard, \$3.98 crate.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, July 31 (UP)—Wheat: Open High Low Close. Sept. 165 1/2 165 3/4 164 1/2 165 1/2. Dec. 164 1/2 165 1/4 164 1/4 165 1/4. May 159 1/2 159 1/2 159 1/2 159 1/2.

S. F. DAIRY PRICES

San Francisco, July 31 (UP)—Dairy Market: Butter: 93 score 43 1/2, 92 score 43, 90 score 42 3/4. Cheese: Loafs 28.2 triplets 27.2. Eggs: Large grade A 49 1/2, medium grade A 44 1/2, small grade A 38 1/2, large grade B 43 1/2.

Wall Street

New York, July 31 (UP)—Profit-taking reversed the uptrend in the Automobile shares on the Stock Market today but the general list moved forward modestly with other sections of the industrial group leading. Heaviest volume again centered on the Automobile department with Graham-Paige, the feature; Hupp, second, and Packard, third. The last had a small decline after equaling its high. The others made new highs and then lost most of their gains of 3 1/2 point each. Willys-Overland showed a net loss of more than a point; Chrysler, nearly a point; Studebaker, nearly a point, and Nash-Hudson, a small fraction. Nash-Kelvinator held at the previous close. General Motors held firm on a favorable earnings report.

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes American Tel. & Tel., Anaconda, Chrysler, Curtis Wright, General Electric, General Motors, Montgomery Ward, Penn. R. R., Phillips Petroleum, J. C. Penney, Radio, Southern Pacific, Standard Oil of Calif., Texas Gulf Sulphur, Transamerica, United Aircrafts, U. S. Rubber, U. S. Steel.

BIRTHS

SHREEVE—To BKR2/c and Mrs. Harold C. 821 Oak street, July 30, 1945, a girl, eight pounds, at Community hospital.



British Prime Minister Attlee joins Potsdam parley as newest member of Big Three to continue plans for ending Jap war and peace policy for world. Attlee (left) stands beside President Truman (center) and premier Stalin as conference resumes after recess for British elections.

Our Men and Women in the Nation's Service

LOCAL CORPORAL FINDS OKINAWA BATTLE TOUGHER

With the 96th Infantry Division on Okinawa — A veteran of the Philippine liberation campaign, Cpl. George W. Kirkendall, of Fairmont, W. Va., found the Okinawa invasion the toughest battle. An assistant squad leader in the 321st engineer battalion, Cpl. Kirkendall was among the first to land on Okinawa and helped breach the seawall which would have slowed the unloading of supplies and equipment. His unit fought along with the 96th division to the southern tip of the island.

Entering the army in July, 1936, Kirkendall served in the Hawaiian islands until 1940. He attended cadet school at Ft. Belvoir, Va., and helped organize the 96th division at Camp Adair in July, 1942. He was again stationed in Hawaii before taking part in the Leyte campaign. The son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Kirkendall, of Fairmont, his wife, Iola Kirkendall and their daughter, Sharon, 2, live at 1005 West Main street, Medford, Ore.

S/Sgt. Leslie Corey Staff Sergeant Leslie J. Corey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Corey, Salem, has been awarded the certificate of merit by Lt. Col. Hyman Shachtman, commanding officer of the Eighth Air Force command station, England, according to an announcement from the strategic air depot. He is assigned to duty as a chief technical clerk and publications inspector in the command section of the major repair and supply base.

Arthur Hoffman Arthur A. Hoffman, aviation chief ordnanceman, U.S.N., of route 4, Medford, has returned to the United States for reassignment after a tour of duty with a navy search plane squadron in the North Pacific. Hoffman, 25, was a top turret and tunnel gunner on a Ventura. His biggest thrills were strikes on Japanese installations and providing task force coverage. He is a son of Mrs. W. J. Ferns of the Medford rural route.

Pfc. Bernie Hamilton AAF Convalescent Hospital, Plattsburg Barracks, N. Y.—Pfc. Bernie S. Hamilton, husband of Rose Moore Hamilton, box 492, Medford, Ore., has arrived at the AAF Convalescent hospital here. Pfc. Hamilton has reported here from the AAF Convalescent hospital in Pawling, N. Y., for further convalescence. He has been in the service since February, 1943.

Francis Brugman Midshipman Francis W. Brugman, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Brugman, of Old Stage Road, Medford, was among 865 men commissioned as ensigns, United States naval reserve, in ceremonies held recently in the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine, New York City. The group was the 24th class to be graduated from the oldest and largest naval reserve officer training school.

Lee C. Johnson With the Air Service Command in Italy—Lee C. Johnson, Lake Benton, Minn., has been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant, according to a recent announcement by his commanding officer. Lt. Johnson is the husband of the former Conna L. Dougherty Ft. Worth, Texas, and is the son

COCOANUT WAR HAZARD Wakefield, Mass.—(UP)—Sgt. Donald Berube of Wakefield is wondering whether he is entitled to the purple heart cluster. Already the possessor of a purple heart received for wounds he suffered on Bougainville, Sgt. Berube was hit on the head by a coconut knocked from a tree by a Japanese bullet. He was unconscious for four hours and awoke in a hospital, where he remained several weeks to recover.

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Flight o' Time Medford and Jackson Co. History from the files of the Mail Tribune 10, 20 and 34 years ago. TEN YEARS AGO July 31, 1935 President Roosevelt at press conference hits tax evasion by "58 of the richest persons" in nation. Dr. Townsend of pension plan visits state and shuns Third party. Partly cloudy. High 86, low 53 degrees. Ethiopia rejects plan to be put under Italian mandate. Hitler warns Jews not to visit Berlin. Wiley Post and Will Rogers, famed humorist, start on first leg of flight to Moscow. TWENTY YEARS AGO July 31, 1925 (It was Friday) Final rites for William Jennings Bryan held at Washington. Heat wave returns to valley, and mercury rises to 10 degrees, with prediction of continued warm. Low was 58 degrees. Atty. William Briggs of Ashland to seek legislative seat. Piano belonging to the Kubli family is turned over to the Jacksonville historical museum. Ex-Crown Prince defends German war policy. Jesse Winburn to return to Ashland soon and be welcomed with brass band. THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO July 31, 1911 (It was Monday) Danger of war in Europe fades as Germany backs up in Morocco. Sunday closing law in city urged. Local hunters leave for hills and opening of deer season.

OBITUARY JESSIE LOWDEN Mrs. Jessie Lowden, a resident of Oroville, Calif., passed away Monday night in Oroville. The body is being shipped to Medford, and funeral services, in charge of Perli Funeral Home, will be announced later pending arrival of relatives. A complete obituary will be published later. HONEY MacKENZIE, just back from a tour of the Pacific for USO-Camp Shows, participating service of the National War Fund played a part in "Three's A Family", and also did offstage baby cries. At the end of one performance on a Pacific atoll, a big six-foot Marine was waiting for her. He said: "I've got a little six-weeks old tike at home, I've never seen. Would you just let me hear how he'd sound?" Honey MacKenzie gave with the cries of a six-weeks old baby. The Marine's eyes filled and he said: "Thanks—so that's my kid."

Court House News Divorce Complaints Mayme Roberts vs. Freeman Roberts. Divorce Decrees Marie Smith vs. George C. Smith; decree and judgment. Vera Coombs vs. W. L. Coombs; decree and judgment. Velma Jean Johnson vs. Lloyd B. Johnson.

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WAR TIME TAUNTING Editor—On July 24, 1945, I dined with a guest at a coffee shop in Los Angeles. We were served lovely ears of corn without a sign of butter. While we were eating our dry ears of corn two waitresses who were not busy slowly buttered, with large pats of butter, their separate orders of corn and at the counter came around and sat down and ate only buttered corn.—(S. F. Chronicle). Use Mail Tribune Want Ads.