

Old Camp Baker Organized In 1861 Amidst Hardships

How Jackson county organized Company D of the Oregon Cavalry during the Civil War, and details of the construction of old Camp Baker, were contained in a talk which Sen. Earl Newberry, Ashland, delivered at the annual meeting of the Jackson County Pioneer association earlier this fall. Company D was the county's first military unit.

Prefacing his review of the organization of Company D, Sen. Newberry told how Jackson county was created from the original Yamhill and Champoeg districts of the state on Jan. 12, 1852, and added that Jacksonville was incorporated as a city in 1860 and named the first county seat. Jackson county was named in honor of Gen. Andrew Jackson.

"On Sept. 24, 1861, authority was given to raise 10 companies of cavalry in Oregon," the senator's speech relates. "This was accomplished through the efforts of Col. E. D. Baker, senator from Oregon. Gov. Whiteaker was felt to be a sympathizer with the rebellion (of the southern states) so the matter was kept out of his hands, and he was not allowed to select the men or choose the officers. His friends resented this slight and presented many obstacles to the success of the organization. They repeatedly showed contempt for its officers and men.

Furnishes Own Horse
"Recruiting began in November, 1861. Each man was to furnish his own horse and equipment, for which he was paid 40 cents per day in addition to his regular pay as a member of the cavalry. Company D was mustered in Dec. 19, 1861, and consisted of 85 men. The camp was located in the woods about one mile west of Phoenix in Jackson county, and was named Camp Baker in honor of Oregon's senator.

"The site was selected by Col. Maury, who was in command of the company. The officers of Company D were Col. Maury,

Capt. Sewall Truax, First Lt. John M. Drake, Second Lt. John M. McCall. After the company was mustered, the recruits were sent to cut down the trees and build cabins to house the men. The cabins were of rough logs, shinked with mud, with rough board floors and roofs of shakes. Each cabin had a door and chimney. They built a cabin for a storehouse and office, a cabin for the officers and a cabin for hospital use. Here they passed the hardest winter Oregon had ever known since the settlement by the first white people.

No Military Knowledge
"The officers of Company D knew nothing of military affairs. Col. Maury had served one year in the Mexican War as a volunteer, so it was a problem to know how to train the enlisted recruits. Someone found a copy of the Army Regulations of 1841 and a copy of Garde's Infantry Tactics, and with these for a guide the officers began their study.

"The company's equipment consisted of four U. S. muskets and two cavalry sabres left behind by the regulars after the Rogue River War, and with this equipment they began "learning the art of war." The weather was abominable, with much rain and storm through all of November and December, and after Christmas the real winter set in. Therefore, they could do no training until the weather broke. When that time came, a parade ground was built and men were trained in steps and marching.

"Among the privates was a man who had been in the regular army, so he taught the officers the manual of arms, and there was another who had been in the cavalry in British India, who taught the officers sabre exercises. Finally, after much difficulty, a guard was mounted with the four muskets as equipment. The guard consisted of a sergeant of the guard and three sentries. When the guard was

Life of 'Dead' Man Is Complicated



T/Sgt. Donald Ray Watts, 23, Marlon, Ohio, very much alive here, returns from Jap POW camp to find complications arising from his official "death," declared after he fell from cargo plane while dropping supplies to Chinese troops fighting Japs at Hongyang, China. Here he declares his identity to Capt. Hugh F. Kennedy, chaplain with 34th Air Force, at San Francisco, Calif., Presidio, as Paymaster M. Sgt. William J. Mairs, San Bernardino, Calif., witnesses.

changed, they also exchanged their equipment.

"Due to the lateness of the season, supplies at the camp were not adequate, so the quartermaster secured hay on a farm five or six miles from the camp, where the horses were wintered. He sent enough men to care for the horses and ordered them to construct shanties to house the men and equip them with stoves.

"In rendering his account to the quartermaster's headquarters in San Francisco, he made the mistake of using the wrong terms in his report and caused himself much embarrassment and the camp much trouble. He used the term "men employed to care for cavalry horses," which was construed to mean he had hired civilians to care for the horses, and in reporting the materials used in constructing the shanties, he used the word "for quarters" which was construed to mean barracks.

"It brought forth a storm of angry disapproval and reproof sad to remember. After much correspondence the matter was straightened out and the word "detailed" was explained to have been the correct one to use in place of "employed" and "cabins" should have been used instead of "quarters."

"In May, 1862, Col. Maury and Company D were ordered to leave Camp Baker and report to Fort Walla Walla, which really marked the beginning of its military career. They were assigned to the Umatilla country to protect immigrants from the Indians who were gold mining against the troubles which followed the gold rush.

"Company D was replaced by Company C, which remained in service in Jackson county for five years. It was the first unit to occupy Ft. Klamath, and made a record for itself in its operations against the Indians."

Parks and recreational areas in San Francisco total nearly four square miles.

Land-Grant Fare Compromise Bill Vetted by House

Washington, Oct. 30 — (U.P.) — The house today sent back to conference a compromise senate-house bill which would have compelled the government to pay land-grant railroads full passenger and freight rates for the transportation of troops and property after Oct. 1, 1946.

It rejected the conference bill by a roll call vote of 167 to 114.

Under an act dating back to the Civil war, the government is allowed a 50 per cent discount for troop and property movements on land-grant railroads.

Rep. John J. Cochran, D., Mo., told the house that passage of the bill would cost the government \$200,000,000 annually.

The original house bill would have made the "full fare" provision effective 90 days after the measure's enactment. The senate changed the effective date to Oct. 1, 1946. The compromise bill provided that the money saved by the government through this senate amendment was to be used to purchase farms for veterans on western reclamation projects.

Radio Man Is Held For Draft Evasion

New York Oct. 30 — (U.P.) — Kie Ritter, 35, radio announcer and producer currently employed in New York as a theatrical company manager, was arrested by the FBI today for removal to Fort Smith, Ark., on charges of draft evasion.

Agents said Ritter allegedly had not communicated with his selective service board in El Dorado, Ark., since Aug. 15, 1941, and had failed to report for induction as ordered on April 9, 1944.

Chandler Farewell Voiced in Senate

Washington, Oct. 30 — (U.P.) — Sen. Albert B. (Happy) Chandler, D., Ky., today said farewell to the senate.

Chandler told his colleagues his resignation becomes effective Wednesday. He will then devote full time to the job of baseball commissioner to which he was elected by major league club owners April 24.

Daily Weather Report

FORECASTS
Medford and vicinity: Cloudy tonight and Wednesday with scattered showers.
Oregon: Mostly cloudy with showers tonight and Wednesday with moderate to fresh winds to southeast winds off coast. Little change in temperature.

LOCAL DATA
Temperature a year ago today: Highest 67; lowest 31.
Total monthly precipitation 88 inches.
Deficiency for the month 41 inches.
Total precipitation since September 1, 1945, 134 inches.
Deficiency for the season 56 inches.
Relative humidity at 4:30 p.m. yesterday 93% 4:30 today 90%.

Tomorrow
Sunrise 6:43 a.m. sunset 5:07 p.m.
Observations taken at 4:30 a.m., 120 Meridian time:

High	Low	Prec.	
Boston	59	48	.02
Chicago	60	54	.11
Denver	59	47	.11
Europe	65	54	.91
Havre	63	52	.11
Los Angeles	64	58	.06
Medford	66	58	.38
New York	70	58	.11
Omaha	67	46	.11
Phoenix	88	57	.11
Portland	58	49	.35
Reno	59	48	.11
Roseburg	66	53	.30
Salt Lake	69	56	.11
San Francisco	67	46	1.02
Seattle	55	49	.01
Spokane	54	41	.01
Washington, D. C.	61	48	.11
Yakima	64	41	.11

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NEWSPAPER ADS AIDED WAR EFFORT

New York, Oct. 30 — (U.P.) — United States newspapers carried \$4,000,000 worth of war effort advertising a month during the last two years of the war, the bureau of advertising of the American Newspaper Publishers' association announced today.

Of the \$98,813,358 total expenditure for August, 1943, spent through July, 1945, \$42,597,445 was for war bond advertising. The Red Cross ranked second with \$6,252,678, followed by armed forces recruiting, and the don't telephone campaign and waste paper salvage.

Of the \$56,215,913 spent for other than war bond advertising, \$51,874,543 was paid advertising and \$4,341,370 donated by the newspapers.

2,225,000 Soldiers Released Since V-E

Washington, Oct. 30 — (U.P.) — The army released 307,000 soldiers during the week ended Oct. 26. This brought to 2,225,000 the total released since V-E day, May 12, the War department announced today.

Those released from Oct. 1 through Oct. 26 numbered 1,047,000 and from V-J day, Sept. 2, through Oct. 26 there were 1,633,000.

Hirohito's Wealth Told First Time By Tokyo's Hochi

Tokyo, Oct. 30 — (U.P.) — The newspaper Yomiuri Hochi, in an action unprecedented in Japanese press history, published available figures today on Emperor Hirohito's wealth.

It included 3,267,500 acres of land holdings as of 1940, or six per cent of the entire nation's pasture and forestry land; and share holdings valued at \$4,540,000 in the bank of Japan, Yokohama specie bank, the Formosan Sugar Manufacturing company, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Oriental Development company, the Hokkaido Coal company and state subsidized transport industries as of March, 1942.

Non-revenue yielding assets were not included.

Japs Had Big Army Ready For Defense

Tokyo, Oct. 30 — (U.P.) — The Japanese army general staff had planned to use a total of 2,225,000 troops against the American invasion that ultimately came off bloodlessly, the Domei news agency said today.

Japanese armed forces would have been under two overall commands, one based here and the other at Hiroshima, Domei said. It was the first indication that Hiroshima, virtually wiped out by the first atomic bomb attack Aug. 6, was one of the most important military targets in the country.

Tuesday, Oct. 30, 1945 MEDFORD MAIL-TRIBUNE—THREE
Carmel, Calif., Oct. 30 — (U.P.) — Republican strategy committee Gen. Joseph W. (Vinegar) Joe Stilwell, on leave at his home here, said yesterday it was a "great surprise" to him that a Republican strategy committee in Santa Barbara had proposed he run for congress next fall from the 11th congressional district.

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