

Two Flags Mark Place for Korea Soldiers To Find Aid

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With 45th Infantry Division Korea—(U.P.)—In a narrow draw between two snow-covered Korean hills are posted, side by side in front of a tent, two flags with crosses on them.

One is a blue flag with a white cross, the other a white flag with a red cross.

To the American infantryman, whose well-being is a day-to-day gamble, they symbolize two of his supports—the chaplain and the medics.

"Our jobs are almost as much alike as our flags," said Chaplain Walter A. Hargraves of the 180th Infantry Regiment, 45th "Thunderbird" Division.

"We both work with soldiers in trouble, they work on the body, I work on the soul."

The medics agree with the chaplain in general, but they go him one better.

Chaplain Praised
"Chaplain Hargraves is the best aidman in the aid station," said Sgt. Gerard Baldwin of Detroit.

Sgt. John A. Haslan, another medic from Fremont, Neb., said the chaplain was always there when they set up forward medical stations to give aid-station treatment to wounded during a battle.

"He helped us in one way by cheering the men up while we patched them up, gave them plasma or whatever was necessary before they were transported back to a hospital," Haslan said.

"He also helped us a lot with actual treatment in splinting

and bandaging. He used to be a medic himself."

Hargraves had been studying for the ministry when he went into the Navy during the last war. For two years, he served as a Navy corpsman—seagoing equivalent to the Army's medic.

When he returned to civilian life, he started right back to school and received his doctor of divinity degree from Phillips University in Enid, Okla.

Called Into Service

He took over as minister of the First Christian Church in Wewoka, Okla., but had only been there nine months when he was called into service again with the activated Oklahoma National Guard division.

Both on duty and off, the chaplain and the medics are great friends. Hargraves and 1st Lt. Warren Garfield, a medical service corpsman, are both from Wewoka.

They are always swapping favors. Several times, when the medics ran short of litter jeeps, they used the chaplain's jeep. When the chaplain needs help on anything, he has a dozen volunteers from the medics.

Still, the medics' greatest admiration for the chaplain is the way he has of calming down patients when the medics are trying to treat them.

Cpl. Bob Tedder of Marion, told how they had a patient one day who had been hit in the throat by shrapnel.

The medics asked the patient if it hurt, and the soldier said "Sikshoshee," a Japanese word meaning "little bit," which is in the Far East soldiers' everyday vocabulary.

Hargraves pounced on the cue and began kidding him about his use of Japanese. "What'll your mother think when she asks you if you want any butter and you say 'Sikshoshee'?"

In a few minutes, despite his pain, the injured soldier was trying to laugh.

Champion Driver Kiwanis Speaker

John Castner, Portland, who won the truck and trailer championship in the national truck road race in 1949, 1950 and 1951, addressed members of the Kiwanis club yesterday at their luncheon meeting at Rogue Valley Country club.

He told some of the history of the road race, described the difficult tests that drivers went through in state and national eliminations and mentioned the tremendous pressure drivers undergo in the contests.

Castner, who has been with Pierce Freight lines for 14 years, is now a safety and public relations officer of the firm.

Seattle—(U.P.)—Samuel Bill, 68, suffered fatal injuries when he fell off the back of a flat-bed truck here Wednesday.

"JOE BEAVER"

By Ed Nofziger



Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture

"But why are we running—you said yourself it's a softwood."

Around Hollywood

By ALINE MOSBY
United Press Correspondent

Hollywood—(U.P.)—Fifteen years ago, a short, blond fellow was a common laborer at Warner's studio.

He went back to work at that film factory Thursday—only this time he drove through the front gate as a movie star.

Back in 1938 he punched a time clock at Warners' and collected \$42.50 a week for swinging a hammer. Now the studio rolled out the red carpet and a fabulous 10-year contract at nearly \$300,000 a picture for him.

Aline Mosby

But Alan Ladd shrugged that being a movie star, senior grade, wasn't much different than carting scenery around the lot.

"I've been around this business most of my life," he said. "Acting is a job, too."

Ladd wanted his job as a laborer, or "grip," because he was broke.

"I owned a hamburger stand in North Hollywood," he said. "But business wasn't too good. It was during the depression."

"One day a man asked me if I wanted to be a grip. I got a pair of overalls, a saw and a hammer and reported to the studio at five in morning. My mother took over the hamburger stand."

"I did a lot of odd jobs around the studio. A grip does everything everybody else doesn't want to do. You have to be a plumber, a carpenter and an electrician. I worked there two years."

Acting Bug Bites
Then the acting bug bit the future idol of the popcorn set. He "starved for five years" while he went to acting school and did bits in 80 minor movies.

Finally ex-actress Sue Carol, who'd turned agent, signed him as a client. She got him his big breaks and married him, too.

Now they live in a sumptuous mansion with two children, three dogs and a raft of servants.

After 11 years at Paramount, Ladd moved to Warners. Now they have him rehearsing for his part in "The Iron Mistress."

"I helped build this sound stage," said Ladd as he walked into stage 7.

National Guard Units Set Federal Inspection

National Guard officers here announced today that a federal inspection of troops of the two Medford units will be conducted on April 8 and 9.

Company A, 1st battalion, will undergo inspection the night of the 8th, and Headquarters company will have inspection the following night.

Tele-fun

by Warren Goodrich



"Give Johnnie two full minutes to answer. It's lunch time and he'll have his mouth full!" ... You'll complete more calls if you give your friends plenty of time to answer ... Pacific Telephone.

CAA's New Aerial Highways in NW Said Now Finished

A new system of "aerial highways" throughout the Pacific northwest, which has Medford as its southern terminus, went into full operation this week.

It was completed with the commissioning April 1 of the Portland very high frequency radio range station located near Manor, Wash., as the 38th VHF omnidirectional range station in the system. The Medford station is on top of Upper Table Rock, and was completed two years ago.

The airway route markers, constructed and operated by the Civil Aeronautics administration, generally follow the routes previously provided by the four-course low frequency radio ranges, and are a segment of the nation's federal airways system.

The new air navigation aids make it possible for pilots to use more of the airspace along the routes, according to the CAA, as well as providing more accurate position data and static-free signals.

The five northwest routes now completed are Bellingham-Medford; Seattle-Minneapolis; Seattle-Pendleton; Portland-Boise-Salt Lake and Salt Lake-Cut Bank, Mont.

Blind Chiropractor Carries On Business

York, Neb.—(U.P.)—Dr. B. O. Callahan, a chiropractor who didn't let blindness ruin his career, says that "when working on patients I forget that I cannot see."

Four years ago, Callahan lost his sight. After a month in a hospital he returned to his office.

"It is a godsend that I chose the profession I did," he said. "My loss of sight has cost me only the natural beauties of life. My hearing is better and I can often feel the presence of someone in my waiting room as I enter."

Callahan reports for work daily with his wife and his chauffeur.

A Nichols' Worth of—Comment On This and That

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
United Press Feature Writer

Washington—(U.P.)—One thing John L. Andrews and his wife, Louise, never had to worry about is having a lack of matches around the house.

John L. and Louise are the world champion collectors of match pads and boxes.

They have more than 300,000 books of matches in their collection. All will give you a light. Most collectors pluck the matches from the paper books before they put them in the collections, but not the Andrews. They can hardly get into their apartment near Bolling Air Force base because of the match boxes.

Andrews is a former top-kick with the Air Force and now is property clerk of air installations at Bolling.

Interested 25 Years Ago
About 25 years ago, he became interested in collecting match boxes. You should see his bureau drawers. Nothing but match boxes. The collection is spilled over into the basement of the apartment and into cabinets, and what not, but everything is catalogued.

Andrews has done some research and read some books and has concluded that at least 2,000,000 people collect match books.

He and his wife finally concluded, that if big folks liked collecting match books, maybe kids would, too. So they branched out into boys' club work.

They started working with

Birds usually do not begin incubating their eggs until the full complement has been laid, because otherwise the resulting young would be of different ages and sizes and the larger ones would get all the food, says the National Geographic Society.

Summer European Tour Planned by Professor

Corvallis—A 76-day summer tour of Italy, France, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Holland and England is being organized here by Dr. Edouard Bourbousson, associate professor of modern languages at Oregon State college. He escorted similar trips two years ago.

The tour will leave June 19 from New York, and return September 2.

An announcement from Dr. Bourbousson said that the trip will be considerably cheaper than an individual tour would be, but that first class accommodations and meals would be included in a modest unit price.

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