

ESSAY WINNERS FOR AUXILIARY CONTEST NAMED

Winners in the annual essay contest sponsored by the ladies' auxiliary of Pelican Post 1383, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, were announced Monday afternoon by Mrs. Anna Woodworth, president.

The contest, open to all children of high school age, had for its subject this year "The Benefits of Democracy."

County Judge U. E. Regier, County Attorney L. Orth Stacmore and Mayor Clifton Richmond acted as judges and awarded the prizes as follows:

First prize, \$5.00 cash, Miss Alice Johnson of Sacred Heart academy. Second prize, \$3.00, Miss Katherine Kelley and a third prize of \$2.00 to Miss Betty Reymor, both of Klamath Union high school.

President Woodworth wishes to extend her sincere thanks to the teachers of these outstanding pupils for their support and patriotic efforts in behalf of the contest.

The judges were unanimous in their praise of the many fine manuscripts, and expressed regret that there were not enough prizes to go around, as many of those submitted were worthy of more than "honorable mention."

President Woodworth has been awarded first prize by the state department for having secured the largest number of new members for her unit. Mrs. Woodworth has also been instrumental in securing a great many new members for Pelican Post 1383.

Camp Fire News

Camp Fire Guardians met at Camp Fire house Tuesday evening to complete birthday week plans, and also their project for February, which was pool knitting. Mrs. Ward Arnold taught the latter which will be taught to Camp Fire girls of the various groups. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Loren Palmerton and Mrs. A. L. Ellis.

Birthday week will be observed in the Klamath territory from March 13 through March 20. Girls will attend all public affairs in service uniforms. This is the 28th anniversary of Camp Fire in the United States and the following program is part of the week's activities.

Appropriate ceremonies are planned for the opening day, March 13, and will be announced later.

DeLotts, national field worker from New York headquarters will arrive Monday, March 18, and will preside over the Grand Council Fire at the Elk's temple Tuesday, March 19, where all groups of this area will be represented.

Wednesday, March 20, Mrs. Robert Riggs will be hostess to all Camp Fire girls and their mothers at a tea at the temple from 3 to 5. Mrs. A. C. Backes, president of Camp Fire advisory board, is assisting with the plans. A continuous program will be presented during tea hours by girls of various groups.

Monday, March 18, Camp Fire girls will present a program before members of the Business and Professional Women's club who are the sponsors of Camp Fire in Klamath county.

Elsie Eschebeck has asked Camp Fire singers to meet at Fremont school Monday, March 19, and Tuesday, March 20, and Friday, March 23, at 4:15 p. m. Camp Fire orchestra will meet at 5 o'clock at the same place and days. Saturday, March 24, singers meet at Camp Fire house at 1:30 p. m. and orchestra at 2:30 p. m.

Mrs. John Kennedy, retiring president of Camp Fire Guardians, was honored at a surprise party at her home Friday evening. She was presented with a corsage of violets which concealed a guardian's yellow gold pin. Mrs. Kennedy is now acting as local Camp Fire executive. Prize scores for the games were awarded to Mrs. George C. Doran, high in bridge; Mrs. Warren Bennet, low. In pin-ochle Mrs. Wade Kirk received high, and Mrs. L. A. French, low. Adele Morton received high in Chinese checkers and Mrs. Al Ellis, low. A guest gift was presented to Mrs. F. O. Small, who is local nature advisor. Others honoring Mrs. Kennedy were Mrs. Andy Shanks, Mrs. James Kerns, Mrs. Loren Palmerton, Mrs. Herman Bremer, Mrs. Ward Arnold, Mrs. Ralph Nelson, Mrs. Rollin Cantrill and Mrs. Marguerite Wesley and Miss Elsie Eschebeck.

According to traffic experts, unruly tempers, impatience, and carelessness are responsible for a large percentage of auto accidents.

Wife Weeps for Accused Mate



A wild west shooting in the heart of Hollywood, in which John Tyke, 45, movie cowboy, was killed, reached its climax when another "western" bit player, Jerome Ward, 50, accused of the slaying, was confronted by his tearful wife. This scene was enacted at Hollywood police station where Ward was held.

Eugene Law Student Tells Of Thrilling War Travels

EUGENE, Feb. 28 (AP)—Back from a long trip through the war-torn waters of that "other world" where powerful nations are plotting swiftly and desperately for destruction, Jason Lee, 24-year-old Baker, Ore., law school graduate, had lots of stories to tell his friends today.

He saw the French Pluton, Europe's largest mine-laying destroyer, blow up, killing some 600 people, within two city blocks of where his ship was docked. Later, traveling from Buenos Aires to Montevideo the day the Graf Spee was scuttled, he saw the flaming remains of that sea destroyer, sizzling and gushing oil from its blasted hull in the shallow mouth of the river Plate.

But Lee just escaped taking a merrier ride. Three times he applied for a job on the City of Flint, that American freighter which became such a bone of diplomatic contention after it was seized by a Nazi pocket battleship as it neared an English port. Given much encouragement on the third visit, he intended to go back, but accepted the job as mess boy on the Norwegian motorship, Cyria, instead.

Out of Marseilles in the Mediterranean, the motorboat was ordered back into the Atlantic when the authorities thought it certain war would break. It was feared that Italy would enter the struggle immediately and that Gibraltar would be strung with mines by the allies. After being escorted through the strait by gunboats and trailed by a submarine whose periscope could only be seen, the Cyria sailed to Casablanca in northern Africa to await further orders.

The Pluton was among the many warboats which soon arrived in the busy port.

"A thundering explosion rocked our boat one morning," Lee said in telling of the disaster. "It was so terrific that it left us all partially stunned. Out of the echoes of that explosion came confused sounds of crumbling plaster, falling steel and shattering glass. A hail of jagged scraps of steel fell about our decks, killing two of the workmen."

Numerous subsidiary explosions sent white puffs of smoke up into the black billows rising from the oil fire. The midships of the Pluton was in flames a few moments after the explosion. Two hundred of the crew and officers had perished. Three or four hundred more ashore died from the flying steel fragments.

"Fragments were strewn over a radius of over a mile," he continued. "The tragedy had been caused by the explosion of 300 mines which were stored in the aft of the destroyer. Sabotage was reported cause of the explosion, though it might have been careless handling of

RAYBURN SPEAKS ON GOSPEL OF REASON

In spite of the heavy rain Tuesday night, Dr. Rayburn drew a good audience at the First Presbyterian church, where he is continuing with inspiring meetings this week. There was a large delegation from Merrill and from the surrounding territory, as well as the local people in attendance. Dr. C. B. Cassel and Charles Phenice sang a duet, "Thy Word Sins be as Scarlet." For Wednesday evening Dr. Rayburn selected the subject, "A New Creature." Evening services open at 7:45. In the afternoon the study in the book of Revelation is held at 2:30 o'clock.

Tuesday night Dr. Rayburn spoke on "The Gospel of Reason," taking as his text, Isaiah 1:18: "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

He said in part: "The hardest colors to remove by the cleaner and dyer are scarlet and crimson. God said, 'Come now, let us reason together: though your sins be as scarlet,' Christianity is a reasonable religion and God is a reasonable God."

"Down in a town in Oklahoma, as I passed a group of young men about 20 years of age, I heard a young man say, 'I've got brains all right, but I don't use them.' And I said to myself, 'Well, buddy, you have a lot of company.' Naaman, the captain of the army of the king of Syria was that kind of a man. Brilliant military leader as he was, he was a leper. Leprosy is a type of sin. Naaman needed one thing, healing. He expected a great show, when he came with his retinue, but God treated him, as He treats every man, as a common sinner. He wanted to be healed, but he wanted to be healed his own way, not God's way."

"There are two propositions I would place before you tonight. The first is this. Every proposition of the gospel of Jesus Christ is sensible, sane, fair, reasonable. God is open and fair in dealing with men. He wants men to use their brains."

"The second proposition is this. Every proposition the devil makes is silly, unreasonable, ridiculous, preposterous. The Bible says, 'The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ, our Lord.' Workingmen demand living wages. What they need is proper wages, determined by the conditions they face. It's about time sin keeps men from thinking and makes them fools."

Arizana Indians Outlaw Swastika

TUCSON, Ariz., Feb. 28 (UP)—Indian basket weavers and pottery makers were back at their tasks again today but the swastika symbol, for centuries past a sign of friendship among the Indians, no longer appeared on their art objects.

The swastika was banned by tribal chiefs of the Navajo, Apache, Hopi and Papago tribes at a meeting here because it had been made a "symbol of oppression" by German Nazis.

The matriarch of the Yavapai tribe at Prescott, Ariz., Viola Jimulla, failed to sign the agreement however. She said the 16 basket makers and three rug weavers in her tribe would continue to use the swastika symbol because the design "would long outlive Hitler's representations."

Progress in devising watches was stimulated by the need of a good timepiece for determining longitude.

Turkey Seizes German Factory



Recent seizure by the Turkish Government of the German-owned Krupp shipyard (pictured above) near the strategic Dardanelles brought to observers' minds the speech a short time ago by Sukru Saracoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister, stating: "Turkey is not neutral but only non-belligerent for the moment." Turkish marines replaced German workers in plant which builds Turkish submarines like the Saldiray, above.

Social Security Benefits Now Payable to Survivors

Many widows and children who are the survivors of workers who died since last December 31 are now believed eligible for monthly insurance payments from the federal government under the social security act, according to Wesley Hayes, Klamath Falls manager of the social security board.

Monthly payments can be made to these survivors, Hayes said, if the deceased father had been employed at jobs subject to the social security act in at least six calendar quarters since January 1, 1937 with earnings of at least \$50 in each of those calendar quarters. It is also necessary, he added, that the mother have in her care a child or adopted child of the deceased worker that is less than age 16 or under 18 if attending school.

"These survivor insurance payments are a new feature of the social security act and many families are apparently not familiar with their rights," Hayes said. "No action can be taken until a proper claim has been filed and approved by the social security board in Washington."

"In many instances these monthly insurance payments will eventually total between \$5000 and \$10,000 and will represent valuable security to many family groups now deprived of the father's weekly paycheck. Payments are made as a matter of right and continue for each child until age 18 if it attends school. Benefits to the widow continue until the youngest child reaches that age unless she previously remarries."

The federal insurance checks are paid regardless of the father's age at death, providing he died since last December 31.

Taking the case of what he termed "an average worker"—a man between 30 and 40 years of age with a wife and two children of ages 5 and 8—Hayes

News Censorship Backfires On European War Capitals

By The Associated Press

European censorship is backfiring on itself.

Newspapers and the people in France and Britain complain of the lack of fully truthful news and now the censors own governments criticize the blue-pencil men both for what is published and what is withheld.

The latest storm over censorship is in France where Premier Edouard Daladier temporarily settled the argument by lifting home censorship on political discussions in French newspapers.

In Britain, there has been a series of public complaints which the government is trying to obviate by changing censors. Newspapers so far have failed to record improvement.

Foreign correspondents, especially those sending news to the United States, still suffer from delays, mistakes and arbitrary decisions of censors.

Here is what the various countries are doing to control news:

Germany—No censorship on established correspondents such as those of the Associated Press. Correspondents are responsible for the truth and impartiality of the news they send.

Britain and France—All news is censored whether sent by telephone, cable, wireless or mail.

Finland—Censorship is similar to that in Britain and France but more flexible in that censors work more closely with foreign newspapermen.

USSR—Soviet Russia abolished censorship May 4, 1939, but reimposed it more severely than ever, Dec. 29, 1939.

Spain—Tight censorship on news sent abroad, but a lighter one, something on the "honor" system, on Spanish papers.

Italy—No censorship on telephone, which foreign correspondents generally use, but correspondents are responsible for the news they send, as in Germany.

Holland and Switzerland—Censorship on important military and "alarmist" news, particularly anything that might reflect on their neutrality.

OSC ALUMNI TO PLAN RECEPTION FOR STUDENTS

Oregon State alumni, who recently formed a local organization, will meet soon to make plans for entertaining students home for the spring holidays.

Officers of the local group are Tom Welsh, president; Bob Hunt, vice president; Virginia Mack, secretary, and Jack Ray, publicity.

Directors are Percy Murray, Robert Thomas, Ed Geary and Charles Henderson.

NO ANGLING FEE FOR CRATER LAKE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (AP)—The national parks service decided yesterday not to charge for fishing privileges in Crater Lake, Ore., Rep. Horton (R-Wyo.) announced.

The service issued the order some time ago but decided to cancel it because of numerous protests.

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