

Beth Carter, WAAC

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WOUNDED CHAPTER XIX

A SOLDIER stepped in from the spotting room across the hall. He laid a piece of paper before her. He had crossed that hall every 10 minutes all afternoon, and laid a similar piece of paper on the desk top; but none previous to this one had the necessary information.

Beth read it through twice, to make sure everything dove-tailed. She returned briefly to the tactical plan again.

She knew what was going on miles away, even though she could not see it. A Japanese bombing force estimated at 20 planes—Brit had been right, down to the plane—was approaching from the northwest.

Beth picked up the field telephone and rang the switchboard. She said the fearful words into the mouthpiece:

"Enemy aircraft approaching Never Never Wrong. Twelve—One Two, Twelve—minutes away. Twenty—Two Zero, Twenty—number. Repeating: Enemy aircraft approaching Never Never Wrong. Twelve—One Two, Twelve—minutes away. Twenty—Two Zero, Twenty—number." Beth caught her breath. Then she continued, "Man the guns and fly the barrage!"

She heard the individual emplacement commander check back. As each did so, she said, "Check." When the last one had reported, she hung up the field telephone.

She had sent these men into battle.

Beth looked at her watch. It had taken three minutes to obtain all the reports. There had not been that much delay at the other end, for she knew that the orders to the men at the emplacements were shouted even before a check-back was completed. She kept her eyes on her watch. Nine minutes, then eight, seven . . . now it was only one minute. She was insulated against the sky but she fancied even now she could hear the combined roar of 20 bombing planes.

THEN she felt a great shock rock the earth, and she heard the vibration of an explosion. The room shook as though an earthquake had begun.

"I'm safe here!" she thought. But she did not want safety. Her job was done here. She wanted to be out where she could take part in the fighting.

Her imagination had not prepared her for the sight that greeted her eyes when she hobbled up the bomb shelter steps on her crutches. Through the foliage she could see . . . balloon and then another. She hobbled out into the clear. No one noticed her. There she turned and surveyed the sky.

The sky was filled with balloons. She saw the puffs, far above the balloons, of anti-aircraft shells bursting. Then she saw the planes.

An officer rushed up to her. It was Brit.

"What are you doing here?" he demanded. "Get back to safety." "Safety, nothing," Beth said. "Do you think I want to end my life in that G. I. concrete tomb?" She grinned at him and he grinned in return. "How're we doing?" she asked.

"O. K. so far. The balloons are keeping the Japs high enough so they're not hitting anything important and the anti-aircraft guns have bagged a couple of planes." Then he was gone.

HER attention was attracted by one of the planes. It had begun a dive toward the far end of the cove. When it was 500 feet above the beach it exploded.

A cloud of smoke arose from far down the island. Beth wondered whether it came from a downed plane or from a bomb hit on an installation. Then her attention went back to the battle.

Now there were only three planes in evidence. They circled high overhead. A bomb crashed down from one of them, and it was dangerously near the

headquarters area. It was evident that they had discovered the heart of their target.

One of the planes pulled into a steep dive that pointed its nose directly at the headquarters section. Beth stood rooted to the island soil, watching the plane grow larger as it came down. Two more were getting ready to follow it in.

The diving bomber came closer and closer. Suddenly it jerked around as though an unseen hand had laid on it and crazily swept over the area to crash and explode 200 yards beyond.

The bomber had hardly crashed before she saw a balloon float higher and then away. The balloon's mile of steel cable had trapped the Jap bomber. The great flying elephant was moving lazily skyward, its mooring cut by the impact.

The other two bombers hesitated and circled at the sight of their mate crashing. The hesitation was brief but it was long enough for the American gunners.

Beth saw pieces of debris fall. She moved to the shelter of the steps. Then something, a fragment of a shell, struck her. She stumbled and fell and instantly lost consciousness. A trickle of blood ran from the wound in her scalp onto the sand.

(To be Continued)

CIRCUS TO OPEN THURSDAY NIGHT

The 4-day Polack Brothers circus opening at the Armory beginning Thursday night under the auspices of the Junior chamber of commerce, promises one of the greatest galaxy of circus performing stars ever gathered. It was announced today by A. E. Woodruff, general chairman of the Jaycees.

The show will include such top liners of the big top as Captain Dick Clemens, famous wild animal trainer and his jangle-bearing lions; Emil Pallenberg's famous educated Russian bears; Sunny Moore and his performing dogs and ponies; Hubert Castle, "King of the Wire Walkers"; Black Brothers, known as the "Clown Princes" of the big tops; the Belletti Troupe, acclaimed the world's greatest high wire act who have long topped the circus bills in nine countries and who have won the applause of such internationally known figures as Joseph Stalin of Russia, the royalty of Great Britain and the exiled King Carol of Roumania; and Polack Brothers own celebrated Mexican Black Horse troupe under the personal direction of Carlos Carreon, Mexico's greatest horseman and trainer.

In addition to the many great names of the circus world, will be the lovely and daring La Terisita, famed aerialist performer, who will present her sensation, al heel and toe catches in mid-air; the Flying Beches of trapeze fame in their breath-taking dives and somersaults from the highest peak of the auditorium to the hands of a catcher. Such famous clowns as Jack Klippel, Dime Wilson, Frank Prevost, Ed Raymond, and Dennis Stevens are included in the huge cavalcade of performers.

Among the oddities of the show are a pair of performing twin elephants who hail from India.

Reserved seats are now on sale at Circus headquarters in the Elk hotel building. With the exclusion of Thursday, there will be matinee performances daily.

The rubber program is not yet solved but is in the best shape that it has ever been.—Rubber Director William M. Jeffers.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Forest Exchange No. 022805, United States Department of the Interior, District Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, May 6, 1943. Notice is hereby given that the Soper Lumber Company, c/o Favell-Utley Realty Company, Lakeview, Oregon, did, on this date, make application under the act of March 20, 1922 (42 Stat. 465), as amended by the act of February 28, 1925 (43 Stat. 1090), to select certain timber from portions of Secs. 8 and 18, T. 22 S., R. 1 E., W. M., Umpqua National Forest, Lane County, Oregon, in exchange for the E1, E1SW1 sec. 33, W1SW1 sec. 34, N1, N1SW1 sec. 35, T. 24 S., R. 7 E.; NW1SW1 sec. 28, E1SW1 sec. 29, lot 1 sec. 31, T. 24 S., R. 8 E.; lots 3 and 4, S1NW1, SW1, SW1SE1 sec. 3, lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, S1N1, S1SE1, less railroad right of way 17.15 acres sec. 5, all sec. 15 less railroad right of way 23.52 acres, S1SE1 sec. 17, NE1NE1 sec. 21, N1NE1, W1, NE1SE1, S1SE1, less railroad right of way 28.77 acres sec. 23, W1, NE1SE1, less railroad right of way 23.89 acres sec. 25, NE1, S1NW1, S1 sec. 29, NE1, NE1NW1, N1SE1, SW1SE1 sec. 35, W1SE1 sec. 36, T. 25 S., R. 7 E.; S1NW1, SW1 sec. 9, N1NE1, SE1NE1, NE1SE1 sec. 17, N1N1, SW1NW1, W1SW1 sec. 21, NW1NE1, SE1NW1, E1SW1, SW1SE1, less railroad right of way 19.95 acres sec. 31, T. 25 S., R. 8 E.; SW1NW1, SW1, SW1SE1, lot 7, S1, N1NE1, N1SW1 sec. 9, SE1NE1, NE1SE1, S1SE1 sec. 11, NW1NE1, S1NE1, NW1, S1 sec. 13, *NW1NE1, E1NW1, NW1SE1, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 sec. 15, SE1NE1, N1SE1, SW1SE1 sec. 21, T. 26 S., R. 7 E.; lots 3 and 4 sec. 5, NE1 less railroad right of way 1.22 acres sec. 31, T. 26 S., R. 8 E.; W1NE1, NW1, S1 sec. 23, NW1NE1, S1NE1, NW1 sec. 25, NW1, S1 sec. 27, T. 27 S., R. 8 E.; S1SW1 sec. 35, T. 28 S., R. 8 E., W. M., Deschutes and Fremont National Forests, Klamath County, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming the lands selected, or having bona fide objections to the exchange, should file their protests on or before June 21, 1943.

GEORGE FINLEY Register. M. 19, 26; J. 2, 9—No. 230

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL ACCOUNT IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR KLAMATH COUNTY.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF E. N. EAGLE, DECEASED, IN AND TO THE ASSETS OF THE COPARTNERSHIP OF E. N. EAGLE AND D. N. EAGLE, COPARTNERS DOING BUSINESS UNDER THE FIRM NAME AND STYLE OF EAGLE AND SON.

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my Final Account and report as Administrator of the above-entitled Estate, and the above-entitled Court has fixed 2 o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, July 1st, 1943, as the time, and the Circuit Court Room in the Court House of Klamath County, Oregon, in the City of Klamath Falls, in said County, as the place, when and where any person may present any objection or exception to anything contained therein, or to anything done by me as Administrator, and that at such time and place the above-entitled Court will finally pass upon and settle said account.

D. N. EAGLE, Administrator. M. 26; J. 2-9-16-23—No. 234.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION Department of the Interior, General Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, May 3, 1943.

Weyerhaeuser Timber Company of Tacoma, Washington, hereby applies to exchange under the Act of March 20, 1922 (42 Stat. 465) as amended February 28, 1925 (43 Stat. 1090); 16 U. S. C. Secs. 485, 486, the following described lands in the Fremont National Forest: The applicant offers all Sec. 23, NW1, SW1, Lots 3 and 4, Sec. 25, W1NW1, E1NE1, S1 Sec. 26, NE1, N1NW1, Sec. 27, NE1NW1, S1N1, N1S1, Sec. 35, T. 38 S., R. 17 E., W. M., containing 2,138.16 acres in exchange for an equal value of National Forest Timber from approximately 750 acres, comprising portions of the SW1NW1, NW1SW1, S1SW1, Sec. 16, All Sec. 17, N1, SW1, W1SE1, NE1SE1, Sec. 20, All Sec. 21, T. 34 S., R. 14 E., W. M.

The offered land is subject to a reservation until December 31, 1944 by the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company to cut and remove all unmarked ponderosa pine trees and sugar pine, white fir and incense cedar trees in accordance with the terms of land exchange agreement of December 21, 1942 between the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company and the Acting Regional Forester, Portland, Oregon. The Company also reserves rights of way for truck roads necessary to remove the reserve timber until December 31, 1944.

The purpose of the publication of this notice is to allow any and all persons claiming the land or timber selected, or having bona fide objections to such application to said exchange, an opportunity to file their protests with the Register of the District Land

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Office at Lakeview, Oregon, and any such protests or objections should be filed on or before the 18th day of June, 1943, in said District Land Office.

CLARENCE W. OGLE, Register, District Land Office M. 19, 26; J. 2, 9—No. 231

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final account and report as administratrix of the estate of Alfred H. Bowers, deceased, and the Judge of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Klamath County, has fixed ten o'clock in the forenoon of June 11, 1943, and the Court room of said court, in the courthouse at Klamath Falls, Oregon, as the time and place when and where any person may present any objection or exceptions to anything therein contained, and at said time and place, court will finally settle said account.

LILLIAN E. HAYDEN, Administratrix of the estate of Alfred H. Bowers, deceased. M. 12-19-26; J. 2-9—No. 228.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

On the 17th day of June, 1943, at 10 a. m. at the front door of the court house in Klamath Falls, Klamath County, Oregon, I will sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described real property located in Klamath County, Oregon, to wit: Beginning at a point 1320 feet east of the quarter section corner common to sections 21 and 22, twp 33 S.R. 71 E.W.M., and running thence south 0°05' East 1325 feet; thence east 229 feet, more or less, to west bank of Wood River; thence in a northerly direction following the west bank of Wood River to a point due east of the place of beginning; thence west 397.8 feet, more or less, to place of beginning, containing 11.86 acres, more or less, and being a portion of Lot 9, Sec. 22, Twp 33 S.R. 71 E.W.M., and also: Beginning at a point 1320 feet east of the quarter section corner common to sections 21 and 22, twp 33 S.R. 71 E.W.M., and running thence north 330 feet more or less to Wood River; thence in a southerly direction along Wood River to a point directly east of the place of beginning, thence west 397.8 feet, more or less, to place of beginning, and being a portion of Lot 2, sec. 22, twp 33 S.R. 71 E.W.M.

Said sale is made under execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the state of Oregon for Klamath County to me directed in the case of Jackson Horton and Helena Horton, plaintiffs, vs. Fred Gorden, Borghild Marie Louise Gorden, Joe White and Alvin Copeland, defendants. L. L. LOW, Sheriff of Klamath County, Oregon. By DORA GODDARD, Deputy. M. 19, 26; J. 2, 9—No. 232.

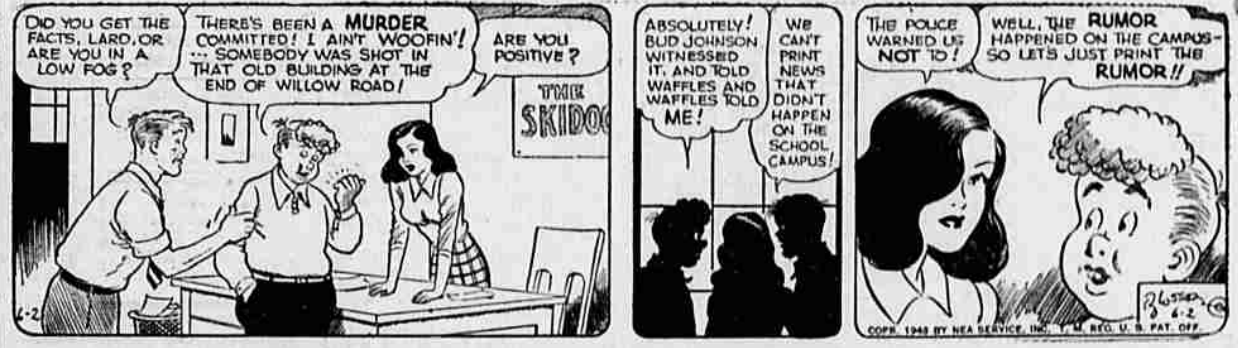
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