

MARINE HELD ON ASSAULT CHARGE HERE

Military investigation is underway following an incident on S. 6th street early Sunday in which a marine allegedly brandished a .45 automatic when he mistook a second marine's wife for his own. State police came along in time to see the gun, and turned the alleged offender over to military police.

WO William Raymond Wood, 29, USMC, native of Baltimore, Md., is in military custody after officers arrested him on a charge of assault while armed with a dangerous weapon on PFC Jay Roland Kirschner.

Officers told this story. They were en route to police headquarters when their attention was called to a quarrel between two marines near 2405 S. 6th. Officers approached the pair and saw the automatic in Wood's hand. Police said the marine had pulled the revolver slide back but the slug had stopped at the entrance of the chamber, apparently jammed when the second marine struck the gun.

Wood charged Kirschner with being with his, Wood's, wife as the two stepped from the cab. Wood ordered the woman, clad in a fur coat, "to go home," as he turned on her companion. Kirschner told Wood the woman was his own wife but Wood apparently was confused and first did not believe the protestations.

PFC Kirschner and his wife proceeded on to their home. District Attorney Clarence Humble said that he would take the matter up with the military this afternoon.

Our Home Town

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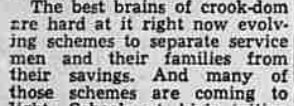
Do you know that this country of ours has something over a hundred billions of dollars in savings? That amount is increasing at the rate of about forty billions a year. An enormous sum. A sum that is a bright and shining temptation to the crooked workers and sharp shooters of the entire world.

The best brains of crook-dom are hard at it right now evolving schemes to separate service men and their families from their savings. And many of those schemes are coming to light. Schools at high tuition fees which promise you that, having taken their course, the top of the world is yours—success—money—fame. And frequently much better instruction could be obtained at any local high school adult education class—and for free.

There will be land schemes with rosy prospects of doubling the money you invest—and so quickly! There will be gimcracks and inventions without number offering to sell you or lease you territorial rights. And how the promoters of those schemes can work a lead pencil to build up pictures of heavy profits!

All kinds of smooth talkers for all kinds of money-making—without-too-much-work formulae are even now lying in wait for the returned service man and the war worker and their savings.

And the individual who has savings has got to watch his step as never before or he's going to have a flock of nice, new regrets in place of those savings.



Next Monday Mr. Whitlock of the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home will comment on May Day.

CITY BRIEFS

Daughter Born—Mr. and Mrs. Olan Sneed of Medford are parents of a daughter, Suzanne Marie, born at seven minutes to 11 o'clock on April 20. The doctor immediately dubbed the infant "Little Lady Luck" due to the hour of her birth, according to Mrs. Charles Hallett, mother of Mrs. Sneed. Mrs. Olan Sneed will be remembered as Dorothy Marie Price, former Klamath county school teacher. The child's father, T. S. Sneed, is chief of the 88th infantry, dog platoon attached to the British 8th army on the Italian front. He was recently transferred from the American 5th army. He stated in his last letter that "Roger had been a good doggie again," meaning that he had accomplished his mission on his last scout expedition. Sneed stated he had been sleeping in a fox hole with his two dogs and had been eating vegetable stew with the dogs in preference to the fat mutton served daily since his arrival with the British. Mrs. Hallett has just returned from Medford where she reported her daughter and child doing nicely. Mrs. Eliza Hicks, pioneer resident of Ashland, is the baby's paternal great-grandmother.

Receive Message—Mr. and Mrs. John C. Cleghorn, 219 High, received a telegram today advising them of the death of Mrs. C. M. Janz of Portland, mother of Major Ray Janz, son-in-law of the Cleghorns. Major Janz flew to his mother's bedside from his post in the Hawaiian islands.

To Seattle—Mrs. A. A. Montgomery of 431 Laguna left on Monday evening for Seattle, Wash., where she was called upon receiving word that her aunt was seriously ill. The length of her stay in the northern city is indefinite.

To Portland—Maude McCawley of Portland, sister of Mrs. David R. Vandenberg, left at noon today for her home after a weekend visit here.

Recruiting—Howard Spragg left today for Gilchrist, Chemult and way points, on a recruiting tour for the navy. He expects to return Tuesday night.

From Lakeview—Judge Charles Combs of the Lake county circuit court, spent Monday in Klamath Falls.

LUMBER SHORTAGE REMEDIES ORDERED

WASHINGTON, April 23 (AP)—To correct a shortage in current army and navy lumber needs, Oregon and Washington sawmills west of the Cascade mountains have been ordered by the war production board to cut at least 40 per cent of their monthly output of Douglas fir, white fir and west coast hemlock in one-inch boards, and at least 25 per cent in 2-inch sizes.

Only two exceptions are permitted: One-inch boards may be substituted for the 2-inch dimension, and vice versa, if a mill finds itself unable to comply with the directive because of the type of logs it receives, its equipment or its manpower. This is permissible only if the mill can turn out 65 per cent of its production in the needed sizes.

If compliance would result in a financial loss, a mill may be authorized to produce less than 65 per cent of its output in the desired sizes for 30 days.

In either situation, the mill must apply for approval to the western lumber administration at Portland, Ore.

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drome in central China; and the British progressed in the central Burma campaign against stiffening resistance.

Invades Islands

Marines yesterday invaded two mile-square islands off Okinawa. They captured Taka off the east coast and half of Sesoko near it on the west.

The 533rd engineers used home made gunboats to slip through the rivers and swamps of Mindanao to capture the Philippines town and fort of Pikit. The Japanese had fled.

PATTON'S MEN RUN WILD TO MENACE LAIR

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thoughts of transcendent importance.

Resistance stiffened late in the day, however, as third army troops started encircling the knots of fanatical SS troops, possibly garrison forces of the redoubt.

Patton's new offensive carried within 128 miles of Berchtesgaden and within 25 of the Danubian city of Regensburg. His troops reached within 125 miles of the Austrian stronghold of Linz in a swift advance which severed many of the routes between the redoubt and the Pilsen-Prague munitions area—Hitler's last known arsenal of size.

The third army operated on the left of Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's seventh army, which closed up to the Danube to within 50 miles of Munich and 110 of the Brenner pass. The French on the right curled around Lake Constance, western edge of the redoubt, and closed up to the Swiss border behind a 1000-square-mile death trap sprung in the Black forest.

KALPINE RE-OPENS AFTER SHUTDOWN

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operations is reported at the plant. Women are employed as dryer feeders, patching machine and taping machine operators, and as dry chain operators, as well as in the office.

The plant started operation Monday, April 13, running one full shift and a part afternoon shift. A full afternoon shift is expected to be in operation soon.

ALLIED TROOPS SMASH TO RIVER

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captured Bologna, and was battling within 220 to 240 miles of the French and American forces of Gen. Eisenhower hitting toward the Italian frontier in Germany.

The swift lunge across the Po plain—littered with wreckage of 1700 Nazi vehicles destroyed or damaged by allied planes yesterday alone—carried 35 miles north and northwest of fallen Bologna, allied headquarters said, but it did not specify points reached.

Bridegroom Freed on Charge of Robbery

PORTLAND, April 23 (AP)—A bridegroom who tried to commit a robbery on his wedding day so his future wife would not know he was broke was free today because of the leniency of Circuit Judge Walter L. Tooze.

Edward S. Jelmberg, 36-year-old defense worker, received a three-year suspended sentence and was placed on probation. He admitted entering a store and striking the grocer when he bent down to get potatoes. Torvald Gullikson, 47, the merchant, was not seriously hurt.

Mineral Club Meeting Set for Thursday

The Klamath Mineral club will hold a meeting Thursday evening, April 26, at 8 o'clock in the conference rooms at the chamber of commerce, 323 Main.

This organization is a non-technical club interested in the study of the mineral resources and evidences of geological development of the Klamath basin. The meetings of the club are open to the public, and all service personnel are especially welcome.

Woman Presented Air Medal for Husband

Mrs. Pearl Bodenhamer Nason, wife of 2nd Lt. Stephen G. Nason, now a prisoner of war in Europe, was presented the Air Medal awarded her husband in a ceremony at the home of her father, George Bodenhamer, 4104 Bisbee, April 18.

The presentation was made by Capt. Otha M. Smith, commanding officer, Medford army air field. The decoration was awarded "for exceptionally meritorious achievement, while participating in five separate bomber combat missions over enemy, occupied Continental Europe."

Anniversary Dinner Tickets on Sale

Tickets for the chamber of commerce silver anniversary dinner were received from the printer at the chamber office today, and are already on sale.

Members and their families and friends are requested to make reservations as soon as possible as arrangements have been made for only 600, and no tickets are expected to be available after Friday night, April 27.

The main feature of the dinner, April 30, is the talk by Gov. Earl Snel on the future of Oregon.

Man Charged With Operating 'Still'

PORTLAND, April 23 (AP)—Lloyd Sinclair was in the county jail here today on a charge of operating a 70-gallon "moonshine" still in a parking lot at Oregon shipyard.

Isaac Cole, a shipyard worker who police said was a customer, was held for arraignment before the United States marshal, L. Dene Hickman, chief investigator of the federal alcohol tax unit, said the still contained three gallons of whiskey selling for \$5 a quart.

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EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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we and the British and the Russians are each doing the bulk of our fighting in the zone supposed to have been assigned—the British in the north, the Russians in the east and the Americans in the south.

PATTON is on the loose again and news of his movements has been blacked out—usually a sign of something important. He seems to be heading in south of Pilsen and Prague with the idea of cutting off these important armament-manufacturing centers from the Nazi hideout in the Alps.

The great Skoda armament works, almost as important as the Krupp of Essen, are at Pilsen.

PATCH'S 7th army has crossed the Danube in two places and is heading for Munich. The French have closed in to the Swiss border at the western end of the Alps redoubt. The Russians are moving up the Danube from Vienna. The Germans are in retreat toward the Po in northern Italy. There is evidence that we are closing in on all sides on Hitler's Alpine hangout.

WHERE is Hitler? Nobody knows.

The Hamburg radio (still German-held) says he is in Berlin and has decided to stay there. The statement sounds phony, and is regarded by our side as an attempt to stop dangerous rumors sweeping the Reich to the effect that the Fuehrer has flown the coop. (Such rumors, if unchecked, would naturally unsettle the Germans who are staying behind to die.)

Reliable sources in London doubt that Hitler or Goebbels is in Berlin.

GOEBBELS (via radio) says today that Berlin and Prague won't surrender. He adds: "If both fall, the WHOLE of Europe will perish with Germany. If bolshevism captures them Europe will cease to exist."

WHAT he means is plain enough. For a century, Germany has been Europe's BEST CUSTOMER, and he thinks that with its best customer gone, Europe will go broke.

He's wrong of course—he hasn't read enough history, or at least hasn't read it straight.

The Tigris and Euphrates valleys once occupied the place in the then small Mediterranean world that has been more recently occupied by Germany in Europe—they were highly productive and were good customers of their neighbors. Tamerlane DESTROYED THEM UTTERLY—so completely that they are still a desert—but the rest of the world WENT ON.

The world will go on if Germany is destroyed as completely and as permanently as the insane Nazis seem to have planned. The rest of the world will find customers somewhere else to take the place Germany has occupied.

The lesson of history is clear on that point.

THE Japs are still fighting hard on Okinawa, counter-attacking and taking a village back from us yesterday. The latest count there is 11,738 Jap dead and 27 Jap prisoners since we landed.

There are supposed to be 60,000 of them that we'll have to kill. That will take quite a while.

WE'RE cleaning up on big Luzon and big Mindanao—and on the lesser Philippine islands. There are even a few Japs left to be cleaned up on tiny Iwo—hidden out in caves (we're sealing up the caves and leaving them.)

We're softening up Borneo for a probable invasion. Our bombers are operating now from bases not more than 15 minutes away.

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Troops Increasingly Angry Over Nazi Cruelty to PW's

By THORBURN WYANT

April 23 (AP)—Third army troops April 21 (AP)—Third army troops are becoming increasingly bitter over German treatment of American prisoners of war.

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's divisions already have liberated several camps containing thousands of Americans from every state. The situation was about the same in every prison: The Americans had been forced to walk 100 or more miles to camps and were assigned to filthy quarters which were unheated in cold weather. They were fed barely enough to keep alive.

Too Weak to Work

In some cases, men were forced to do heavy work, although weak from starvation. Some fainted on jobs.

In at least one prison camp, Americans told of beatings received from German guards wielding rifle butts.

Army censors have been wary of passing stories about conditions in these camps. Everything indicating severe cruelty has been stopped until recently.

Censorship Relaxed

The policy now has been relaxed. Correspondents may report what they see, but still cannot write of what liberated Americans tell them, if severe cruelty is involved. Such reports still must be referred to higher authorities, who may or may not release them, depending upon verification.

Liberated troops seen in several camps unanimously told this correspondent that the whole truth should be told. One prisoner of war said:

"The Germans could not treat doughboys still in camps much worse and there is always a chance that widespread publicity might cause the Germans to institute reforms."

Transportation Lacking

Perhaps the German captors have been unable to transport American prisoners of war to camps by rail or truck, as do Patton's divisions. It is true that allied bombers have reduced such facilities to a minimum.

However, there is no excuse for assigning Americans to cramped and filthy quarters, or for feeding them minute quantities of watery soup, bread and margarine. Nor is there an excuse for beating them.

Near every camp this correspondent has seen, there have been large, clean and heated buildings which could be used for prisoners. Throughout overrun Germany, great stores of foodstuff have been found.

All Germans Fed

The German army grew fat on rations set aside for the troops. This correspondent checked kitchens, cupboards and cellars of scores of civilians. Without exception—even in the homes of the lower classes—there was food aplenty.

This correspondent has yet to see a German soldier or civilian who appeared underfed. Yet in the prisoner of war camps, most Americans are suffering various degrees of malnutrition. Some Americans after six months imprisonment drag one foot after

the other and stumble frequently as if in a stupor.

Clothes hanging on their emaciated frames gave them scarecrow effects.

The ribs of one boy could be counted through his shirt, and I could put my hands completely around the waist of another.

The average loss of weight in one camp was from 40 to 60 pounds; 50 to 75 in another.

Flashes of Life

WRONG NUMBER

DALLAS, Tex., April 23 (AP)—Harry Goldberg, city ambulance driver, got a thief, but not the one he wanted.

Goldberg missed two jackets from his room at the hospital, stepped out the back door to look around, saw a man start to run. Goldberg drew his pistol and the man stopped, gave up a sack containing seven sheets and several towels stolen from the hospital.

But Goldberg's jackets still are missing.

THROW-BACK

MOJAVE, Calif., April 23 (AP)—For the second time in less than a month, the Trona-Mojave mail stage was held up yesterday. The highwaymen bound up and gagged the driver of the truck, escaping in an automobile with an undetermined amount of mail.

Deputy Sheriff Tom Hidreth said the robbers struck at the same stage, time and place as before.

SAVAGE

HAMILTON, Mo., April 23 (AP)—A Hamilton lad heard his mother lament her lack of carpet tacks and inability to get any at the store. A few minutes later he presented her with a handful.

"Got 'em off the telephone poles, where the candidates' pictures were tacked up. Millions of 'em," he explained.

Izaak Walton League To Meet Wednesday

The April meeting of the Klamath Modoc chapter, Izaak Walton league will be held at the Willard hotel Wednesday, April 25, at 8 p. m.

A raffle will be a feature of the evening and N. B. Drew has donated a battle jacket as the grand prize. Since the last meeting of the league, three new members have been added to the membership list including Richard B. Maxwell, Paul Farrens and Albert Hattan.

Enlisted—George Martin

Long, 17, of 615 N. East, has enlisted as a radio technician in the navy. He has been rated as seaman 1/c and will continue to attend Oregon State college until sometime in June, when he will be called to active duty.

The War At a Glance

By The Associated Press

Western front: Fresh American offensive shearing off Czechoslovakia from southern Germany gains 28 miles; Americans cross Danube, French take Stuttgart, reach Lake Constance, trap Germans in Black forest; U. S.-Russian linkup south of Berlin nears.

Eastern front: Soviet shock troops smash toward center of barricaded Berlin, hold one-sixth of capital; other columns spear toward Elbe and juncture with Americans; Berlin reports Stettin under assault.

Italian front: Fifth army dashes 35 miles beyond Bologna, nears Po river; British eighth army closes on Ferrara, north-east of Bologna; planes take toll of fleeing Germans.

Pacific front: Fierce battle in southern Okinawa continues, infiltrating Japanese recapture town in western Okinawa; Americans invade two islets off shore; eighth army in Philippines drives east toward Davao on Mindanao.

EVIDENCE FOUND IN POISON DEATH

OREGON CITY, April 23 (AP)—The poison death last July of Mrs. Wilma Lenora Brinkhoff, 27, was investigated today by District Attorney Stanley G. Mitchell, who said new evidence had been found.

The husband, Wilmer Brinkhoff, 29, is held in the county jail on \$5000 bail on a charge of forging the name of Arthur Anderson, a brother-in-law, in selling an automobile. Brinkhoff was returned last week from Sacramento, Calif., where he had been working for about six months.

Mrs. Brinkhoff died here July 13. Dr. Joseph Beaman, director of the state police crime detection laboratory, conducted an autopsy and reported finding between three and four grains of strychnine.

The district attorney would give no clue to the new evidence, other than to say "witnesses who were not available at the time of Mrs. Brinkhoff's death have now been contacted."

Woman Says Man Hit Her With Gun

Mrs. Betty Ryder, 2223 Wantland, was rushed to the Klamath Valley hospital Saturday night at about 10 o'clock by the Klamath Ambulance service and was treated for a lacerated scalp.

She told city police that her husband hit her over the head with the butt of a gun, but no complaint has been signed and no arrest was made.

According to police reports, city police received a call about 10 o'clock Saturday night and investigated the case, but found the dwelling dark and apparently no one there. Another call was later received by police from the hospital. She was given emergency treatment at the hospital and then permitted to leave, according to authorities there.

Ballots Still Coming In for C of C Heads

More ballots are being received in the final election for chamber of commerce directors than were received in the primary, according to Charles R. Stark, manager.

Those who have not yet sent in their ballots are requested to bring them in personally to the chamber office, if necessary, so that they will be in by noon Tuesday, April 24.

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