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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

JUST to the right is a picture of the fellow who gets the credit and the honors for the big news on Page 1.

He represents here, on this day of European victory, all of the men and women of the armed services who have personally borne the brunt of this most terrible war in history.

Many things contributed, but we still could not win victory without the superior courage, intelligence and ability of American fighting men.

Many have given their lives, many are disabled, and the others are carrying on in a war that is far from concluded. Our fighting forces must stay in there pitching; so must the nation behind them. That's the best theme we know of for V-E Day.

Not Over Yet

AWARENESS of the conflict ahead, and the sobering influence of that realization, are most certainly felt in Klamath Falls.

On this very day of European victory, orders were received here for transfer of 18 officers from the Marine Barracks for overseas duty! Ask those men if the war is over?

The Klamath military installations are primarily concerned with the Pacific war. Our job of civilian cooperation with them must be kept at maximum level.

This Is It

SOME confusion occurred over the question as to whether this Monday was officially V-E Day.

Militarily, it appears conclusively, the European war was over today. That seems to us to be the time for observance of the event.

The politicians and the diplomats are worrying about getting out an official announcement, simultaneously in three capitals. That's just so much formality, of course. The real story is out.

Inasmuch as observance occurred today, it would seem that whatever the formalities may be for tomorrow, or some succeeding day, V-E Day observance on Monday took care of the celebrating.

Tragedy

A TERRIBLE tragedy occurred in the woods near Bly Saturday, snuffing out the lives of a woman and five children.

They found an object in the woods. When they gathered around to investigate, it blew up and killed them all.

The lesson is plain. Anything unusual found in the open should not be touched. It should be reported to the authorities.

Astronomy Interests Even Those Without Instruments

By J. HUGH PRUETT

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Not many years ago, after bright Jupiter and Saturn had for several weeks been nestling close together in the evening sky, an elderly window washer asked permission to visit the observatory. Soon it was found that he had excellent eyesight and a remarkable store of astronomical knowledge. The telescopic views of these planets delighted him.

Enthusiasm in his Swedish accent, he said, "Every clear night for a long time now I have been watching those two yonder. Lots of folks haven't even known they were there for they never look up."

On a delightful spring evening a woman in a South Dakota town remarked to a friend, "How blue the sky was today." Came the reply, "Was it? I was busy cleaning house." The one who had "looked up" had also been cleaning house. Another said, "You have the time to look at stars, but I'm busy."

A noted physician and writer once remarked that he was never contented without determining at the close of an evening "what was going on in the heavens."

A very busy woman who works all day in an office, is active in many organizations, and who keeps her own house, finds cheer in the love of nature in its varied forms. She has said, "I always look through my window at the sky in at least two directions at bedtime and again at the beginning of each new day. Whether starlit or stormy, the sky is an inspiration to me."

A mother who works hard for her own family and others finds

great delight in the gorgeous sunsets glimpsed across the western valley while busy at her daily tasks. For years she has been an enthusiastic observer of northern lights and Perseid meteor showers. Peace and strength come through her ability to "look up."

A young couple, busy all day in offices and at night building their new home, so consistently watched for the "green flash" at sunset over the distant Coast range that they became real authorities on this rare phenomenon. Stars at night and the varied cloud forms across the daytime sky intensely fascinated them.

Some one has remarked, "When I look at the innumerable stars in a moonless sky, all thoughts of attempting to learn them flee in terrible confusion." Without knowing a single individual by name, one may still find delight in this glittering, starry host. The beauty of the scene and the contemplation of the immensity and wonder of our orderly universe surely repay us for our time to "look up" at the friendly stars. Through a lifetime and from any place in the world we shall find them true and inspiring companions. Then at the last we may say with confidence, "I have loved the stars too fondly. To be fearful of the night."

As late as 1921, the war department ruled that "the use of airplane for the transportation of sick and wounded soldiers, when other safer means of transportation is available, could not be justified."

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7—The nine-point program of Dumbarton Oaks amendments adopted by the American delegation represented quite a personal victory for Senator Vandenberg. It was the Michigan republican who first demanded the main points such as inclusion of the word and ideal of "justice" through the charter and opportunity for future peaceful change of the world setup as well as the charter. Other forces prescribed what seemed in general to me to be basic changes of theory from Dumbarton Oaks along the same lines such as specific inclusion of the Atlantic Charter ideals, return to international law, world court, safeguarding human rights, etc.

From a political standpoint the doctrines of international law and world court have a republican origin, while the Atlantic Charter and human rights lines were developed by Mr. Roosevelt. The improvements devised by Americans here therefore represent a genuine compromise and exhibit what I think is an outstanding development of this meeting, namely, a return to a spirit of cooperation among American political interests which is so vitally essential in the confused state of this world. Most of the inside voting in the delegation has been unanimous.

Notable Cooperation

THE British have effected some notable democratic cooperation also in a delegation which is split three ways, with four conservatives, three socialists and two liberals. There also unanimity has prevailed.

The Russians, of course, have only one party represented.

It is too early to make any worthwhile guess of the political or personal results of the gathering. Vandenberg has impressed newsmen with the way he has handled his press conferences, and if the results here are carried through he no doubt will assume leadership in the republican party. He went into this venture strictly on his own and not as a party representative. But I suspect there is a good chance the party will join in with him if final accomplishments of the conference justify.

Minnesota's ex-Governor Stassen, on the other hand, has not been able to win victories for his former one-world viewpoint, which, indeed, was made impossible by events long before this conference. He gives us the impression of a sincere man, but he is here gaining his first real experience in the involved problems of foreign affairs.

Incidentally in this connection Mr. Truman gave out through Nelson Rockefeller in Washington the other day what seemed to be a denial of the rumors that State Secretary Stettinius would be dropped after the conference. Rockefeller said he told Mr. Truman Stettinius had done a great job and the president agreed. I suspect the inside on that situation is that Mr. Stettinius has been put into the position where he, as the others, will be judged at the White House by his accomplishments.

One Omission

BUT returning to the nine points, there seemed to be one omission. As a newspaperman I have long thought the necessities of a free press were the very cornerstone of liberty and without that cornerstone no sound structure could be erected. How are people to be free if they are not permitted to know what is going on in the world?

The ideal of freedom of press is in the Atlantic Charter in theory but not specifically mentioned. In the ninth point, the cultural objectives (which China inspired) the prospect for it is supposed now to be included more directly.

But actually freedom of press is essential to freedom of thought and seems to be less of a "cultural" quality than a basic human right. Statesmen, in my opinion, have paid too little attention to this fundamental necessity for a future peaceful world.

Joseph Daniels Protests Suspension

RALEIGH, N. C., May 7 (AP)—Joseph Daniels, publisher of the News and Observer, protested to President Truman today the reported suspension of Associated Press' filing privileges from Paris.

Daniels, a former ambassador to Mexico, was secretary of the navy during World War I. He telegraphed the president: "I have just seen a report that the Associated Press' facilities have been suspended in Paris. In 1918 when the United Press sent a cable from Brest which caused a premature celebration of Armistice Day. I was asked to recommend action against Howard. (Roy Howard, of the UP sent the cable.) I declined, saying that any good newspaper man would have been justified in what Howard did. I can see no justification for suspending the Associated Press. Sincere regards."

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Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 300 words in length, must be written legibly on ONE SIDE of the paper only, and must be signed. Contributions following these rules, are warmly welcomed.

MOTHER The fairest MOTHER of the land to be, The mother whose love nurtured me.

Her love covers the atmosphere, Sending happiness everywhere.

When I was sick with pain or ache, All my troubles she would take.

And ere the day is past and gone, Her face with radiance shown.

Never a trace of the ache in her heart, Which she suffered by a careless remark.

But a smile and a welcome just to be a part, Of the joys one shares in the heart.

She our sorrows and joys did share, And I cast on her a load of care.

She was my pal, the best anywhere, She never forgets me in her prayer.

Elizabeth McCain.

AN INTERNATIONAL FREE PRESS

DORRIS, Calif. (To The Editor)—As we were fortunate to hear the lecture about the establishment of an International Free Press, am wondering how many others heard it, too, and just what the reaction here in all America will be.

The lecture came over the radio about 9:30 p. m. but am sorry I did not catch the name of the man who gave out the truth of the matter or subject. If there is to be an established International Free Press no doubt it will become one of the greatest factors for world peace.

Without a clear and concise understanding of each and every nation's problems, both great and small, there can be no world peace.

"Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free"

still rings true today as it did two thousand years ago.

The reason, what America is today, is because there are many kinds of minds and many kinds of thinkers, who think for themselves. May free thinking never be taken from us as a people and a nation or else America will fall as a democracy and drift into national socialism, or nazism or whatever kind of thinking it may be.

In countries where imperialism has existed for centuries, the masses are taught to think only what a few want them to think, national socialism.

There are many kinds of enemies both within and out of America and only eternal vigilance and wise thinking and wise leaders can save us as a nation and establish peace for the world.

An international free press would be of great help. Sincerely, Mrs. Carrie A. English.

Marine Reserves To Recruit Here

Members of the marine corps women's reserve arrived in Klamath Falls Sunday, May 6, to interview any eligible candidates between the ages of 20 to 36 who may be interested in "wearing the green of a woman marine."

S/Sgt. Tia A. Lange, Sgt. Flora R. Scarello and Sgt. Gordon E. Jonsrud, who came to this city from the recruiting office at Portland, will be at the Willard hotel from May 6 to May 16 inclusive, and may be contacted there at any time.

The trio has been traveling through the state of Oregon in order to stimulate more interest among the women to join the marine corps and back up our fighting leathernecks on Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

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V-E Day Service

First Church of Christ, Scientist Corner 10th and Washington

There will be a special thanksgiving V-E Day service at 8:00 p. m. on V-E Day. If the announcement comes after 5:00 o'clock, the service will be held the following evening.

HIGH SCHOOL News Notes and Comment

From the Klamath Republican May 11, 1935

A. M. Meagler's saloon, known as the Spray of the Falls, was held up last night by masked men who got away with \$25 after intimidating the bartender with guns.

Captain O. C. Applegate has turned over his duties as agent at Klamath Agency to his successor, Horace G. Wilson. Old friends of the captain, both Indian and white, gathered for a big reception in his honor. He was presented with a valuable gold watch.

From the Klamath Herald May 7, 1935

Klamath Falls people went to polls today and turned down emphatically Mayor Willis Mahoney's proposal for a \$1,500,000 bond issue to set up a city water system. The vote was 2119 to 1422. The vote ended a spirited battle, with The Herald and News leading the fight against the big bond issue.

Canadian ocean shipping dates to the days of early European fishermen who frequented the shores of Newfoundland and the Maritime Provinces.

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ALMETER CITES NEED FOR WORKERS

Although Monday saw the nazis surrender, Jack Almeter, manager of the United States employment office in Klamath Falls, pointed out that we still have a war on in the Pacific and the need for skilled and unskilled labor is still tremendous.

Over 250 open positions are listed with the USES office in Klamath Falls, as well as thousands of positions throughout the state and civil service positions throughout the nation.

Almeter urges workers to stay on the job, until victory is declared universally, and those employed to apply at the employment office.

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