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TOBRUK'S DEFENSES PIERCED BY BRITISH

Douglas Volunteers Leave For

ear's Army Training



The nine young men pictured above left Roseburg last night for the army induction station at Portland, where they will today become a part of the regular army for a year's military training. They are, front row from left, Thomas Howard Hubbard, Riddle; Sherwood Harris, Roseburg; Charles Edward Dean, Drain; George B. Gruver, Myrtle Creek; back row, George Long, Roseburg; Freeman Higginbotham and David Higginbotham, Oakland; John Charles Giovannini, Yoncalla, and Ted Parsons, Glide. Next to Parsons is Dr. Charles A. Edwards, chairman of the county selective service board. All of the young men making up the county's quota have volunteered for service ahead of the regular call.

Overturning Bus Sends 16 To Hospital

List of Patients Includes Dixonville Woman; South Douglas Accident Scene

Sixteen passengers of a north-bound Pacific Greyhound bus received treatment at Mercy hospital here today for injuries suffered last night when the bus turned over on the Pacific highway two miles south of Canyonville.

Among the most seriously hurt was Mrs. Douglas Waite of Dixonville, who suffered a fractured pelvis.

Others injured were: Mr. and Mrs. Earl McKinley, Seattle, head and body bruises; Herbert Katz, Los Angeles, head lacerations.

Mrs. Bertha Edison, Salem, Ore., scalp wounds.

Mr. and Mrs. George Craig, Springfield, Mo., head and body bruises.

Mrs. C. C. Ball, Garland, Kansas, head lacerations.

Mrs. Arthur Henderson, Yakima, Wash., sprained hip, possible spinal injuries.

Mrs. Douglas Waite, Roseburg, fractured pelvis.

Mrs. L. L. Laskey, Seattle head lacerations and back injuries.

Mrs. E. W. Crane, Corvallis, fractured collarbone.

Mrs. H. B. Wise, Seattle, sprained and bruised leg.

Mrs. S. H. Fisher, Minneapolis, sprained back.

Mrs. W. H. Hammond, Rogue River, rib fracture, sprained leg.

Mrs. Garth Farmer, Eugene.

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Jobless Pay Proposals To Launch Battle

Oregon Legislators Face Demands for Increase in Rates of Benefits

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 21.—(AP)—

Controversial measures to increase benefits under the unemployment compensation and workmen's compensation laws were ready for the legislature today, paving the way for the expected right between employers and labor.

Maximum benefits would be increased from \$15 to \$20 a week, but if an unemployed person doesn't draw the maximum, he could get \$3 a week more for his wife, and \$2 more for each child.

Waiting periods in all cases would be reduced, and the penalty for fraud against the unemployment compensation commission would be cut from 26 to 13 weeks. Employers would be denied the right of appeal from commission decisions, while unemployed persons who appeal would be paid their attorney fees by the state.

Penalties against persons who quit their jobs voluntarily would be reduced, as would penalties against those who go on strike.

The unemployment compensation commission will sponsor

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Street Car's Leap Sends Seven Persons to Hospital

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 22.—(CP)—Seven persons were in a hospital today with injuries suffered when a street car jumped the tracks on a curve last night and ploughed into a two-story, east end building. Seven other persons, including the motorist, were released from the hospital after emergency treatment.

None of the passengers was hurt seriously although the steel roof of the car was pushed to within a few inches of the seats as it smashed into a ground floor bedroom where Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Allen were "just dozing off." Both were showered with plaster but were unhurt.

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Blast Kills 4 Miners, 12 Others Taken to Hospitals

WELCH, W. Va., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Four men were killed and 12 others injured today in an explosion deep in the Carswell mine of the Koppers Coal company near Kimball.

The blast trapped 18 men.

Twelve were taken to hospitals in Welch and two others escaped with minor burns.

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Justice McReynolds Will Retire From U. S. Supreme Court February 1

Sixth Appointment to Tribunal Opened to Roosevelt; Seat May Be Given Atty. Gen. Jackson.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Justice James Clark McReynolds, outspoken opponent of much new deal legislation, notified President Roosevelt today that he would retire from the supreme court February 1 after 26 years of service.

The veteran jurist, who will be 79 years old February 3, was the only member of the tribunal described by administration officials as "conservative."

His retirement opens the way for Mr. Roosevelt to make his sixth appointment to the nine-man court. There have been reports that Chief Justice Hughes, 78, might retire soon, but they have been unconfirmed. Friends expressed the belief that Hughes would remain on the court as long as his health permitted him to do the work.

Attorney General Robert H. Jackson has been mentioned frequently as a possible appointee to the first vacancy on the court.

McReynolds' notification to the president was a formal two-

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McNary Opposes Lease-Lend Bill

Senator McNary of Oregon, the republican leader and running mate of Wendell L. Willkie in the 1940 presidential campaign, announced today that he was opposed to the administration's lend-lease bill in its present form "because it grants extraordinary and total power to one person."

McNary, back in the capital for the first time since October 26, defined his position on the legislation as the house foreign affairs committee received a statement of opposition from Norman Thomas. The socialist leader described the bill as contrary to "democratic control by the people over their own destiny."

To his opposition to the bill "in its present form" McNary added the declaration that he was thoroughly in accord with the principle of extending all aid short of war to Great Britain.

But of the lend-lease bill he said "this is not the democratic way of life and I earnestly hope that the bill may be modified by appropriate committees or after debate in the congress."

"During the fall months the president was advocating aid to Great Britain short of war," McNary continued. "That policy became a national anthem. There was unity of thought."

"I favor that plan and shall support earnestly an all-out policy of aid to the democracies by every method short of war. My great concern is to keep our country out of the conflict of mass murder in Europe, Asia and Africa."

McNary expressed the belief that there should be a limitation on the life of the powers which would be granted to the president. "There also should be, he said, a fixed 'ceiling' on the expenditures which could be involved in the aid program."

"I note," he continued, "that the president says he doesn't intend to use convoys. There ought to be some limitation written into the bill on his power in that regard."

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A. S. Wallace Gets Road Job on One of Two Bids

A. S. Wallace, Roseburg contractor, was awarded a contract by the state highway commission at Portland today for production of rock for the Endicott creek-Bear creek section of the Roseburg-Coos Bay highway. His low bid was \$11,887. His bid of \$16,000 for rock production on the Bear creek-Coos Junction section of the same highway was also the low proposal but was referred to the engineers for further consideration.

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February Army Draft to Take 980 From Oregon

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.—(AP)—The ninth corps area will supply 17,700 draftees, 11,662 of them from California, at the next induction period starting Feb. 17, army headquarters announced today.

State quotas for the February induction include Oregon, 980.

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Defrauding of Innkeeper Charged to Prisoner Here

Stanley Allen Burnett was taken into custody here last night at the request of Marion county authorities and is being held in the county jail awaiting the arrival of officers from Salem. Burnett is held on a warrant charging defrauding an innkeeper, Sergeant Paul Morgan of the state police reports.

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Steelhead Bill Put Into Hopper Of Legislature

SALEM, Jan. 22.—The steelhead fish bill once more reached the legislature Tuesday, when Senator Lew Wallace submitted a measure closing coastal streams to all commercial fishing from November 30 to June 1. The measure also would outlaw set nets in the streams proper, though permitting their controlled use in the bays forming the mouths of the rivers.

The measure comes from the Oregon Wild Life federation group. It is insisted by the sponsors that the steelhead is a game fish, that commercial fishing interests repeatedly have defeated attempts to have it legally so classified; that commercial fishing as now carried on curtails spawning in sufficient amount to cause depletion of the runs; that but little commercial fishing is practiced between November and June, and that promotion of the steelhead as a tourist attraction is of more value than the fish sold over the block or canned.

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Eight-Mile Gash Made In Outer Lines

Ultimate Fall of Town Itself Held Imminent; Italian Cruiser Destroyed

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Australian advanced forces penetrated the last defenses around the harbor and town of Tobruk this morning and entered the town at noon, British reports from the front said.

The Italians were said to be still defending the western sector, but many of the British had moved ahead during today's fierce fighting, leaving the Italians in an awkward position.

By the Associated Press

Led by whooping Australian shock troops, a famous British regiment and "free French" forces, Britain's army of the Nile smashed into the inner defenses of Tobruk today to mop up survivors of the 30,000 Italians under siege there for 18 days.

A British communique from the Libyan desert battlefield said General Wavell's army had knifed eight miles through Tobruk's bristling perimeter of defenses by sundown yesterday, adding: "Today operations are again developing satisfactorily."

Part of the fascist garrison surrendered within the first 12 hours of the attack, which started at dawn yesterday, and the British view was that the rest were "bottled up" without hope of escape.

The desert city, 80 miles inside Libya, on the shores of the Mediterranean sea, was reported smashed to rubble by big guns of the British fleet and day and night assaults by the RAF.

The British announced the attack netted "many prisoners," including an Italian general.

The 9,232-ton Italian cruiser San Giorgio, beached in Tobruk harbor, was reported "a mass of flames."

In London tonight, the admiralty announced that ships of the British Mediterranean fleet had already removed 54,000 Italian prisoners and huge supplies of war booty from the North African war theater.

Elsewhere on the dark continent, British empire forces were reported to have driven the Italians 40 miles back into Eritrea from the Angle-Egyptian Sudan frontier and also from the Kenya frontier into Ethiopia.

Second Blow Struck

Britain's RAF reported today a punishing raid on Italian military buildings and railway communications in Elbasani, central Albania.

Planes of the RAF bomber command roared over the town yesterday and unloaded high explosive and fire bombs, a RAF communique said, while the Greeks reported the capture of

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FOR the first time in our history, a president is inaugurated for his THIRD term. Something of the gravity of this event is reflected in these words from President Roosevelt's inauguration speech:

"In Washington's day, the task of the people was to create and weld together a nation. In Lincoln's day, the people's task was to preserve that nation from disruption from within."

"In THIS day the task of the people is to save that nation and its institutions from disruption from without."

WHETHER other leadership might have saved us from reaching the point where this nation and its institutions are threatened with disruption from without is not today an issue.

Whether some other leader might have been better able to meet the problems we face is not today an issue.

We are WHERE WE ARE—no matter how we got there. Franklin D. Roosevelt, third term or no third term, is our leader.

Our job is to follow and SUP. FORT his leadership.

"DIVIDE and conquer" is one of the oldest and most successful of all the rules of aggression. If, at this time of peril to our institutions we permit ourselves to become divided, history tells us we shall run a grave risk of being conquered.

HITLER and Mussolini have been holding a "secret" meeting in an undisclosed place. Following their meeting, DNB, the official German news agency, says:

"The fuhrer and il duce, on the occasion of their meeting in the presence of the foreign ministers of the axis, had an extensive conversation concerning the situation."

"It came off in the spirit of the heartfelt friendship between the two government chiefs and of the close fighting alliance existing between the German and Italian people."

"It resulted in complete accord as regards the views of both concerning all questions."

BEFORE getting steamed up, stop and think.

If Hitler and Mussolini had in-

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Tax Situation In Oregon Discussed

Revival of Sales Levy, Thrice-Rejected, to Be Futile, League Here Told by F. H. Young.

The trend in the state of Oregon is toward a closer supervision over taxes and tax expenditures on the part of the people, F. H. Young, president of Oregon Business and Tax Research, Inc., told a large audience at the regular Tuesday luncheon of the Roseburg Kiwanis club.

Mr. Young was the speaker at a meeting opened by the Kiwanis club to the general public in order that all interested persons might hear the address and at the same time honor nine volunteers who made up Douglas county's January quota in the selective service call. These men were guests jointly of the Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions clubs and were given a special table. A tribute was presented by Dexter Rice of the Rotary club. Dr. J. E. Campbell was present to represent the Lions club. The brief program of tribute to the volunteers was conducted by Dr. Charles A. Edwards, members of the Kiwanis club and chairman of the county selective service board.

The program was attended by directors of the Douglas County Taxpayers league and a large number of visitors who were interested in Mr. Young's discussion of the tax question.

Prefacing his remarks with the declaration that the payment of taxes is a privilege and that it is the duty of taxpayers in a democracy to have a voice in the levying and payment of taxes, he asserted that the bulk of the taxes imposed are by demand of the people themselves through the legislature.

Douglas Taxes Discussed. He went into detail concerning Douglas county taxes, pointing

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Willkie Goes to Britain To Learn What's Going On

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Wendell L. Willkie started for England aboard a clipper plane today as, in his words, "a private citizen—an individual determined to find out what is going on."

"I believe so strongly that the survival of England is the best assurance of keeping America out of this war and I think we should support the fighting men of Britain so that they can stop the onslaught of Hitlerism," he said.

"I believe that if the fighting men of Britain are able to hold out," he added, "we will be able to preserve the free way of life in America. I hope that free men all over the world will join to stop totalitarianism." "When I come back I hope to have something to say to the American people."

Willkie carried a personal letter from President Roosevelt to Prime Minister Churchill.

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H. P. Rice Chosen Tax League Head

Meeting in Roseburg Urges Sale Of County-Owned Lands To Restore Them to Tax Rolls.

H. P. Rice of Myrtle Creek was elected president of the Douglas County Taxpayers league at an organization meeting held by the board of directors here Tuesday afternoon. L. S. Compton of Drain and Eugene Fisher of Roseburg were elected vice-presidents; H. O. Pargeter, Roseburg, was continued as secretary-treasurer.

Directors aside from those elected to the principal offices include L. E. Thompson, Umpqua; D. N. Busenbark, Melrose; A. G. Clarke, Glendale; C. E. Moyer, Dillard; John Fenn, Canyonville; G. N. Riddle, Riddle; R. R. Clarke, Oakland; Ben F. Nichols, Riddle; Willard Smith, Glide; F. E. Bullock, Oakland; Fred Assenheimer, Gardiner; W. A. Burdick, Reedsport; Fred A. Goff, Roseburg; Clay Ullam, Milo; W. C. Harding, Roseburg; E. L. Metzger, Roseburg; T. B. Garrison, Oakland; Huron Clough, Canyonville; John Standley, Camas Valley; W. B. Garrett, Glendale; Pete Sinclair, Garden Valley; John Marks, Garden Valley; Orval Beckley, Elkton; V. H. Cornutt, Myrtle Creek; Joe Ledgerwood, Myrtle Creek.

Endorsements Given

The directors at their meeting yesterday voted endorsement of senate bill No. 2, which provides for exemption from taxation all rural mutual telephone lines with valuations under \$1,500.

Endorsement also was given the work of the state tax league and arrangements were made to participate in the work of that organization before the state legislature.

The league directors urged by resolution the plan to sell county-owned lands where reasonable offers can be obtained, declaring that it is best to return the lands to the tax rolls rather than continue to carry them as liabilities.

Short talks were made by R. R. Clark, past president, who reported on a meeting of the state league, and by F. H. Young, manager of Oregon Business and Tax Research, Inc., who discussed various tax proposals to be brought before the legislature.

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Randle Area Combed for Missing Army Bomber

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 22.—(AP)—A dozen army bombers and an equal number of observation planes were "just skimming the treetops" in the Randle area this morning in resumption of the search for the bomber that disappeared six days ago.

"A lot of snow has fallen since the plane went down," said Lieut. Hatcher, "but we still hope we can see the raised outline of the ship. Of course, if it is in a gorge or snow bank, we haven't much hope."

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Marjorie and Margaret Holt of Harrisburg, as they visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Taggart of Myrtle Creek, a week ago. The girls are twins—twenty-year old ones.

Last Sunday Marjorie, at the left in the pictures above, was married to Richard B. Howard, of Monroe. In the Presbyterian church in Eugene, and her grandfather, a retired minister, performed the ceremony.

You and I know that getting married not only is a serious affair, but one nevertheless attended by much happiness and merriment also. This is as it should be.

Marjorie and Richard were married at four o'clock in the afternoon, in a church filled to capacity with their friends. Bridesmaid was Margaret, and groomsmen were Richard McCadden. After the wedding there was lots of rice, and lots of activity on

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I SAW

By Paul Jenkins

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part of the new Mr. and Mrs. Howard while successfully eluding their friendly but persistent admirers. Last heard of them, they were in Portland.

When the ceremony was over a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Holt, in Harrisburg. One hundred fifty friends of the newly married couple gathered there, to break cake and drink a bit of coffee—and doubtless, if they were elderly, they looked back with nostalgia to the day when THEY were married; and if young gazed hopefully into the future to the time of their own, if well, who's next? I'll bet Margaret is. If she isn't, a certain young man up in that country will have proven to be mighty slow on his feet.

No wonder Mr. and Mrs. Taggart feel so "set up," with a couple of granddaughters like these. You can't blame them.

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