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AID-BRITAIN QUIZ CALLS ARMY, NAVY HEADS

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IMPORTANT step:

Britain announces plans for conscripting labor for her armament factories. Lord Bevin, minister of production, reports that while armament is steadily increasing, in spite of air raids, the country has now "reached a stage when it will be necessary to take INDUSTRIAL registration by age groups."

Churchill tells the commonsense: "Intense demand on the man and WOMAN power of the country makes registration for labor conscription a necessity."

ONE of the results of this decisive step will be to conscript the rich for labor in the factories.

That is as it should be. In modern war, which is a war of machinery, factory production is supremely important. Merely because a man doesn't need the wages is no reason why he shouldn't be called upon to do his share in increasing production when every ounce of effort is needed.

We'll undoubtedly take the same step if the need arises here.

WAR has changed unbelievably.

The soldier is no longer armed and ready when he takes down his squirrel rifle from its pegs. Modern weapons are intricate and SPECIALIZED mechanical contrivances that by their very nature can not be owned in every home.

Nor is that all.

Because of constant progress, they tend to become obsolete so that even nations can not carry large stocks of them on hand. It is like building up an adequate supply of muzzle-loading muskets and then having an enemy invent a repeating rifle.

When war breaks out in the modern world, the factories become ALL-IMPORTANT.

AS a result of mechanized war, CASUALTIES ARE DOWN.

Casualty lists have not been given out in this war, but we know from the speculating each side does about the other's losses that the totals of killed and wounded are insignificant.

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C. J. Grimm Heads Douglas Board in Food Stamp Plan; Instructions Will Be Given Retailers at Mass Meeting

Following a meeting with officials of the surplus marketing administration, C. J. Grimm, Roseburg grocerman, accepted chairmanship of the county food trade committee which will organize the cooperation of food retailers in setting up the food stamp plan in the county.

"We have worked to bring the plan to the county," said Mr. Grimm, "because it successfully works to benefit farmer, needy family and small business. I have asked Messrs. M. A. Kusler of Myrtle Creek, Al Henninger of Glendale, M. J. Jensen of Gardiner, J. R. Parker of Roseburg and Mrs. Ethel Carpenter of Roseburg to work with me on the committee and I am sure the food retailers of our county will cooperate one hundred per cent."

The officials of the SMA have asked the committee to compile a complete list of retail food stores in the county so that official instructions and regulations may be mailed as soon as possible.

It will also be a job of the county committee to distribute merchandising display material and arrange a mass meeting of retailers for final instructions a

Tobruk Total Of Prisoners Goes Higher

Number May Go Above 20,000; Ethiopians in Revolt Against Italy

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 24.—(AP) The final tally on Italian prisoners seized in the capture of Tobruk probably will number 20,000 or more, reports from the front indicated today as British patrols reconnoitered the desert far west of the Libyan stronghold.

Military circles here believed the British high command would make every effort to follow up the Tobruk victory with an intensified offensive on the entire African front, extending from Libya to Ethiopia.

News that former Emperor Haile Selassie had reentered Ethiopia to rally his old subjects was accepted here as evidence that the British drive in that area was swinging into high gear. Reports from Eritrea declared the Italians already had been forced to abandon 5,000 square miles of that colony to British troops advancing eastward from the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

No Rest for Italians. Nowhere are the Italians being given any rest, British sources said, hinting at a concerted drive to make good Prime Minister Churchill's promise to "tear the Italian empire in Africa to pieces."

There was considerable speculation here as to where the next blow in Libya would fall.

British advance forces already were reported operating west and south of Derna, situated on the Libyan coast 95 miles from Tobruk. Observers believed Gen.

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New Justice Chosen But Name to Be Public Later

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—(AP) President Roosevelt said today he had chosen a successor for Justice James C. McReynolds, who will retire from the supreme court February 1, but that the name would not be announced for many weeks.

The president explained that he was divulging this much only to save a lot of headachings, speculation, and a flood of recommendations and endorsements for the appointment.

He laughed, but would not comment further, when asked whether the appointment would be delayed until after the lend-lease bill to aid Britain was passed.

Attorney General Robert H. Jackson and Senator James F. Byrnes, South Carolina, democrat, have been mentioned for the vacancy.

States Voice Views on U. S. Owned Lands

Demands for Payments In Lieu of Taxes Are Told by Judge Bowker

A meeting of representatives from eight western states at Salt Lake City may have an important bearing in clarifying the situation with regard to federal contributions to counties in lieu of taxes on federally-owned lands, according to County Judge Morris Bowker. Judge Bowker returned home last night after attending the session. He was accompanied by Attorney Guy Cordon of Roseburg, legal adviser of the Association of Oregon counties. Mr. Cordon remained in Salem today to visit the state legislature.

The meeting in Salt Lake, Judge Bowker reports, was attended by about 50 representatives from Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Colorado and Arizona. The conference was called by the association of county officials.

Counties Should Be Paid. The principal discussion centered around the matter of federal payments in lieu of taxes, Judge Bowker said, and it was the opinion of the meeting that all income producing property held by the government should pay annually to the counties in lieu of taxes a percentage of value. It was held that the percentage should be slightly less than the taxes on privately owned property of the same classification.

The decision that the percentage should be less than the tax on private property took into consideration the fact that the federal ownership has certain advantages and that the county is required to expend less money for

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British, Germans Deal Sea Blows

Rhodes, Malta Islands Bombed By Rival Planes; 4 British Merchant Ships Suffer.

ROME, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The Italian high command announced today that British warplanes had bombed the island of Rhodes, site of one of Italy's mightiest naval and air bases in the eastern Mediterranean.

Other British warplanes were reported to have carried out bombing attacks on the Libyan base of Derna, 95 miles west of Tobruk, where the Italians said Fascist troops clinging to the western fringes of the town continued to offer "stubborn resistance" to besieging British land forces all day yesterday.

Italian planes, the daily war bulletin said, bombed and machine-gunned British mechanized forces in the Tobruk zone.

The German air corps, meanwhile carried out another bombing attack on the British naval base at Malta in the central Mediterranean, the high command declared.

The British attack on Rhodes was said to have caused "slight damage to private dwellings" but no casualties.

LONDON, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The admiralty announced today the British submarine Parthian had sunk a 7,000-ton Italian supply ship south of Italy.

The communique presented the sinking as a success in the work of "interrupting Italy's sea-borne communications with her armies in Africa."

BERLIN, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The long arm of the Nazi air force reached out into the Atlantic yesterday to damage or sink four merchant ships bound for England, the official German news agency, DNB, reported today.

The raids were said to have been carried out on shipping lanes west of Ireland from low altitudes.

The high command also reported that Nazi aircraft had bombed "war essential objectives" at a British east coast harbor yesterday.

Home Guard Needed, Says Legion Chief

Commander Kelley Urges Spur to Legislature to Speed Action on Bill

Asserting that the United States teemed with subversive elements, capable of extensive sabotage against industries essential to the national defense program, Alfred P. Kelley, state commander of the American Legion, in a public address at the Roseburg armory last night, strongly urged, as he has in other cities on his state tour, the creation of a home guard to replace the regular national guard recently called into federal service.

Calling attention to a bill introduced in the state legislature providing for the creation of a home guard for Oregon, Commander Kelley asked that the citizens immediately contact their representatives at Salem and urge the earliest possible enactment of the bill. Other states, Mr. Kelley said, had already launched home defense programs, pursuant to the announcement last November of War Secretary Stimson that each state and locality would be expected to handle its own problems calling for military action.

"Immediate action is imperative," declared Mr. Kelley, "because it takes months to properly train a group for military service."

U. S. Peril If Axis Wins. Mr. Kelley branded the idea of so-called American isolation from war-torn portions of the world as

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Bomber Search Centered In Oregon Border Region

McCHORD FIELD, Wash., Jan. 24.—(AP)—Aerial search for the U. S. army bomber which has been missing a week and a day will continue persistently until some clue is found, even though McChord field officers fear there is slight chance of finding the wreckage until spring takes the heavy snow from the coastal mountain range.

Col. Walter Peck, in outlining the field command's fears and searching plans, said the southern Oregon-northern California region was listed now as the No. 1 crash site possibility.

Seven men were aboard the twin-motored bomber when it left McChord field January 16 on a flight to the Muroc lake bombing range in southern California.

Bride Gets Ring Won as Baby In 1920 and Lost

A wedding gift received by Miss Audrey McEachern when she was married recently to Lucien Clement at Yakima, Wash., represents a most unusual chain of circumstances, according to the bride's mother, Mrs. W. M. McEachern, of Roseburg.

Born in Walla Walla, Miss McEachern in 1920 was the winner in a baby show there and was awarded a diamond set ring as first prize. A year later, while visiting at the home of her grandparents in Walla Walla, she lost the ring.

Just two days before her marriage, an aunt, Mrs. Mabel Condon, who now occupies the old home, called a plumber to repair a broken pipe. While digging in the yard the plumber uncovered the ring. It was cleaned by a Walla Walla jeweler and was a most welcome surprise gift to the bride at her wedding.

Gets 3 Years for Using Alias in Conscription

PORTLAND, Jan. 24.—(AP)—A three-year sentence on a charge of registering for the draft under a fictitious name was given Edward Daniel Hoover, 33, in federal court yesterday.

Hoover testified he sought not to avoid the draft, but to escape attention of immigration authorities. He is charged with entering the United States illegally from Canada, U. S. Attorney Donough said.

Dublin Castle Partially Destroyed by Flames

DUBLIN, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Fire in Dublin castle destroyed the offices of Ireland's ministry of commerce before it was brought under control early today.

Parts of the castle, reputedly the nucleus from which Dublin grew to a city, were built in the first two decades of the 13th century, but most of the structure was raised later.

Worthless Check Issuing Charged to Tiller Man

Orville E. Walling, 56, Seattle, who has been engaged in mining and logging activities near Tiller, was held in custody today in lieu of \$500 bonds after waiving examination in the justice court on a charge of issuing checks without sufficient funds, Justice of the Peace R. W. Marsters reported.

Truck Fees Fund Switch Aim of Bill

Legislature Asked to Put Carriers on Utility List; Pension Extension Sought

By PAUL R. HARVEY, Jr. SALEM, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Working up its second week's work, the Oregon legislature received a bill today to compel trucking operators to contribute to the cost of general government.

In line with Governor Sprague's recommendation, the bill would add common and contract carriers to the utilities assessment rolls. All the fees they now pay go into the highway fund. The additional levy would go into the general fund.

The bill was introduced by the chairman of the taxation committees of each house.

Other Bills in Offing. Governor Sprague's bill to construct a \$1,000,000 state office building in Salem was ready today for introduction. The state land board would sell school bonds, which would be retired by rentals paid by the unemployment compensation commission and the public utilities commissioner. The school fund would obtain the interest on the bonds.

Another bill to be introduced would give the tax commission authority to collect payments which the Bonneville administration might make to the state in lieu of taxes. A bill in congress would direct the Bonneville administration to contribute to the state a percentage of its earnings in lieu of taxes. The tax commission would distribute such money to the counties.

Pension Extension Asked. A memorial to ask congress to amend the social security act to make \$30 a month available to every retired citizen over 65 years of age who is not drawing annuities from any other federal source was introduced by Senator Ronald E. Jones (R., Marion) and H. C. Wheeler (R., Lane).

The effect of the proposed bill would be to give annuities to persons not now subject to the social security act, such as farmers, business men and public employees.

Tukey Show Aid Sought. Representative Wallace S. Larkin (R., Yamhill) introduced a bill which would take one and a half per cent of racing commission funds to help finance the Pacific coast turkey exhibit in Yamhill county.

The money would be sliced from amounts now allocated to

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Douglas to Supply 21 In Next Draft

Douglas county will be called upon to supply 21 men from the selective service roster between Feb. 17 and March 8, it was announced today at Oregon headquarters in Salem. The state will be called upon to supply a total of 980 men, according to Lieut. Col. Elmer V. Woodliff, state director.

Unless additional volunteers are registered it will be necessary, it is reported, to draw 13 men from the list of eligibles. The county had 17 volunteers, who offered to serve ahead of the regular date for their call, and nine of these were sent to induction headquarters Tuesday, leaving eight to be sent out during the February-March period. If other young men eligible for selective service desire to take their year's training starting with the coming period, they can volunteer for service, it is stated. Otherwise it will be necessary to resort to conscription, calling up those first in order.

It also is announced that the quota of 21 men is subject to change, since some of the men sent in previous calls may be rejected in which case quotas will be increased to make up for those not accepted. The new call will bring to 30 the total number of men taken from Douglas county under selective service for a year of military training.

Lindbergh Wins Nazi Praise For Peace Attitude

BERLIN, Jan. 24.—(AP)—"Hats off to Charles Lindbergh for the courage shown," was the reaction of authorized German sources today to the American aviator's deposition before a United States house committee yesterday.

"In view of the moral terrorism exerted by interventionists this courage shown is exemplary," they said.

(Lindbergh testified at hearings on the lease-lend bill, which he described as a "major step" toward hostilities. He said he wanted a victory for neither side in the war because "it would be a disaster for Europe if either side won.")

"It is doubtful whether many individuals in the United States can be found in prominent positions who are willing to act as courageously, although many feel as Lindbergh does," they added.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—(AP)—President Robert M. Hutchins of the University of Chicago declared last night that the cause of democracy would best be served if the United States stayed out of war.

To go to war, he averred, would be to cancel whatever progress has been made toward achievement of democratic ideals.

The 42-year-old educator and world war veteran asserted that the American people, "deafened by martial music, fine language, and large appropriations," were drifting into war.

A statement urging immediate enactment of the lease-lend bill and signed by 125 University of Chicago faculty members was issued while Dr. Hutchins spoke. There are approximately 900 on the faculty. The statement set forth that "Americans who say the war is of no concern to the nation 'practice a policy of appeasement.'"

Thousands Slain In Rumanian Revolt

By the Associated Press. Baseless executions of scores of Jews during the four-day reign of terror in Bucharest and other Rumanian cities were reported today in the first full dispatches out of the revolt-torn Balkan kingdom.

Many hospitals were full of wounded and morgues crowded with dead.

At the height of the bloody strife, dispatches said, iron guards rebels twice commanded the home of J. Webb Benton, of Fort Myer, Va., first secretary of the U. S. legation, and used it as a fort to shoot at supporters of Premier Gen. Antonescu's regime.

With the revolt apparently crushed, at least in the capital, the Rumanian government decreed severe punishment for Vice Premier Horla Sima, iron guard chieftain, and other alleged leaders of the insurrection.

German and Rumanian motorized troops patrolled the streets of Bucharest today. Many Jews were said to have been seized in their homes, taken out and beaten or slain.

Reports reaching Sofia, Bulgaria, said casualties throughout Rumania totalled 6,000, with 2,000 dead in Bucharest morgues alone.

While the rebellion evidently was quelled in the capital, dispatches agreed that the insurgent iron guards were still fiercely resisting in other cities.

Gile's Bill Would Aid Persons Bitten by Dogs

SALEM, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Rep. Robert C. Gile (R., Douglas) is taking thought for the postman, the milkman and the paper boy. Along with Rep. Allan G. Carson (R., Marion) and Sen. C. W. Clark (R., Douglas), he introduced a bill which would make it simpler for persons bitten by dogs to collect damages by making it no longer necessary to prove the dog vicious.

"Those postmen, milkmen and paper carriers have a terrible time with dogs," Gile said. The bill was requested by postal employees.

Testimony Of Three Men To Be Secret

4 Cabinet Officers Also Slated for 2nd Hearing; F. R. Mum on Lindbergh

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Democratic members of the house foreign affairs committee voted today to hear in secret session testimony by the heads of the army, navy and air corps on the aid-to-Britain bill.

General George C. Marshall, army chief of staff; Admiral Harold R. Stark, chief of naval operations, and Major General George H. Brett, acting chief of the army air corps, have been invited by opponents of the bill to discuss the measure's effect upon United States defenses.

"Two Dictators" Envisioned. The decision to hear the military chiefs in private was reached by the democratic majority in a closed meeting in which the republicans refused to participate. At the afternoon session William R. Castle, undersecretary of state in the Hoover administration testified. He said that passage of the British-aid bill would give the world two dictators, "one for the totalitarians and one for the democracies."

The measure would grant the chief executive such power, Castle testified, that "in practice he could dominate Britain, while the war continues, as well as the United States."

"He alone could say what supplies were to be sent and when and where," the witness said.

"Through his control of the supplies flowing out from what he pleases to call this 'arsenal of democracy,' he would become supreme in all military matters, British as well as American."

"At home, congress would be impotent, and in Britain, fear, rather than gratitude, would bring the British government to the feet of the American president."

Castle termed the administration bill one "which signs away our freedom, created a dictatorship, does not enable us to help Britain more than we are doing now except insofar as it permits the president to ignore such laws as he pleases and thus to make war."

At his press conference President Roosevelt said he would not express an opinion on any proposed changes to the British aid bill, at least until he saw the measure when it came out of committee and could study the specific language of any amendments.

Mr. Roosevelt said he had not read, and therefore would not comment on, the statement made before the foreign affairs committee yesterday by Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh to the effect that the war might have been avoided if the United States had not given its moral support to Great Britain and France.

The senate foreign relations committee decided, coincidentally, to call four cabinet officers, headed by Secretary of State Hull, as witnesses when it begins public hearings on the bill Monday.

Hull was expected to be followed to the stand by Secretaries Knox, Stimson and Morgenthau. All testified before the house committee.

Senator Capper (R., Kan.) said he has suggested that Lindbergh also be called by the senate committee, while Senator Gillette (D., Iowa) was reported to have

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TODAY'S TOP ODDITY

By the Associated Press. BISMARCK, N. D.—Representative Dan Panko almost panicked the house of the North Dakota legislature by bringing a case of rattlesnakes onto the floor and even hauling a few out of their prison.

His pet idea is to rid the state of the reptiles by paying a bounty on them and he wanted to impress the house in favor of his proposal seeking \$10,000 for that purpose.