

### Oregon War Bond Sales High Despite Tax Obligations

Citizens of Oregon, in spite of the fact that heavy income tax payments were "just around the corner," purchased a total of \$4,383,483 worth of series "E" war savings bonds during February, it was announced by Ray Conway, state administrator. Figures for February, which do not include purchases of "F" or "G" bonds, are the latest available.

Sales for February, which is also a short business month, bring the total for the state since the promotional campaign was launched last July, to \$22,260,544. January broke all records with a total of \$6,713,682, but this figure was swelled by many purchasers who bought their limit of \$5,000 face value for the year, it is pointed out. December, the "war" month, totalled \$3,712,921.00.

Of the total, Douglas county sales accounted for 1.55 percent, or \$346,111. Sales in February were \$98,936. Promotion of bond sales in Douglas county is under the direction of Harry O. Pargeter, county chairman.

**Credit to Campaign**

War bond sales in Oregon in February, a short business month, reached a high total largely because of the work done by volunteer workers under the direction of county committees on the pledge campaign and on pay roll savings purchase plans, Mr. Conway stated. Necessity of raising funds for the nation's war program was brought to the attention of practically all citizens in every county by those conducting the pledge campaign, while hundreds of firms have installed the pay roll deduction plan for purchase of bonds by employees.

The excellent Oregon showing was achieved in spite of the tendency on the part of many citizens to curtail investments in order to meet income tax payments, it was pointed out, and it proves people of the state are making every effort to make the war bond program a success.

A statewide campaign to get all firms to install the payroll savings plan of bond purchase for employees is now under way, and should help swell totals in future months, Mr. Conway stated.

### RAF Knives Far Into Nazi Industrial Area

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were coming into service in increasing numbers.

**French Areas Also Bombed**

Spitfires and Hurricanes were hurled back across the English channel today for new fighter sweeps of the battered, occupied French province of Pas de Calais.

Eight bombers which reached the target were the survivors of a force of which lost a third of its strength in an encounter with German fighters near Paris near the start of the outward journey.

A submarine base at St. Nazaire and docks at Le Havre, German-held strong points in coastal France, also were bombed in the night operation in which a total of nine bombers were missing.

### SOUTHAMPTON SUFFERS FROM NAZI AIR RAID

Berlin (from German broadcasts), April 18.—(AP)—Nazi bombers caused heavy damage at the British port of Southampton last night, the Germans announced today.

"Six transport sailing ships and a patrol craft were sunk off the English south coast by German light bombers during the day and several harbor installations were bombed by night," the high command said.

The British raiders were declared to have lost 17 planes in violent combat with German fighters in a dogfight which resulted in a number of four-engined bombers.

British aircraft losses yesterday and last night were said to total 27.

### FINNS LOSE VITAL BASE IN BLOWS FROM RUSSIANS

MOSCOW, April 18.—(AP)—Soviet forces on the northern front have captured a center of resistance whose fall constitutes a major defeat for the Finns, Tass said today in a dispatch broadcast by the Moscow radio.

In two days of fighting the Finns have lost more than 1,000 officers and men and a very important defense line, the soviet news agency declared. It reported that soviet troops had consolidated their positions and were

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now continuing pursuit of the Finns.

Kellin front fighters were declared to have destroyed 35 German blockhouses, 30 earthworks, two tanks and various weapons in a day's operations which cost the invaders more than 800 men and officers killed.

A Tass report from the southern front declared red air force squadrons had fought German fighters to a standstill in extensive engagements over the Sea of Azov coast, frustrating a Nazi effort to gain aerial superiority there.

A Norwegian telegraph agency dispatch said Russian bombers recently attacked the German barracks at Vardo, Norway, where 2,000 soldiers were quartered, and killed at least 200.

**Nazis Using Reserves**

The army newspaper Red Star reported today that Russian units, hammering against the Germans on the central front, have forced Nazi commanders to throw artillery reserves into battle to take the places of infantry troops.

Military dispatches from the Dnieperpetrovsk sector predicted "the hour is near" when the Russians will retake the huge industrial center. Guerrillas were said to have blown up German staff headquarters, killing 100 officers.

Meanwhile, a report from Smolensk province today said that in nine months Russian guerrillas had killed 11,000 of the enemy, including five generals. Twenty districts of the province were said to have been cleared of Germans in the last three months.

### U. S. Passes War Output Turning Point—Nelson

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strictive measures, an authoritative source said today.

In line with this decision, members said the senate labor committee was likely to approve Monday a bill by Senator Ball providing relatively mild restrictions on wages and union activity.

The bill would establish a labor disputes commission which could approve increases in wages equivalent only to advances in the cost of living where the increase did not carry the wage above the prevailing scale for that type of work elsewhere. The same conditions would apply to increases in salaries above \$5,000 yearly.

Besides setting up mediation and arbitration machinery, the measure would ban the institution of closed shops except where an employer had been found by the labor relations board to have engaged in unfair labor practices within the preceding two years, or where a change was made by voluntary agreement.

### New Programs Offered Douglas Radio Fans

Radio listeners in Roseburg and Douglas county will find several new programs on the air this week, and numerous time changes in program listings. KRNR will introduce two new series beginning Monday, and welcome back an old favorite, "Hank Keene in Town" is a new comedy musical quarter hour to be heard Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:45 p. m. following Fulton Lewis, Jr.'s evening broadcast. A new 5-minute news period will be heard every morning from 10:30 to 10:35; the Haven of Rest, popular devotional program, will be heard in a new series beginning Monday morning at 8 a. m. and will be presented Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Jimmy Scribner's Johnson family will leave its afternoon 1:30 spot starting Monday, and will be heard instead at 4:15 each afternoon except Saturday.

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### Carpentry Class Has Places For More Trainees

The carpentry training classes under the defense vocational program, being held at the forest service warehouse, are making good progress, it was announced today by Bruce A. Mellis, vocational coordinator. The members are building portable houses for the forest service at present. Several men from the day class already have secured jobs, although the instruction was started only three weeks ago. Their departure makes it possible for additional trainees to enroll.

The day class is operating from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. daily. The evening class is in session from 6 p. m. to 12 midnight.

Arrangements, however, are being made for shorter sessions for the night class, due to the hardship of the long hours on men who are regularly employed during daylight hours.

The building formerly occupied by the Rice and Myers sheet metal shop has been leased for the welding courses and it is hoped, Mr. Mellis states, that the equipment will be secured and installed in the near future. It is planned to start the classes about May 1.

### A. C. Freeman Passes Away at Happy Valley

A. C. Freeman, 73, died this morning at his home in Happy Valley. Born in Illinois in 1869, he had made his home at Happy Valley for the last two years.

Surviving are the widow; a son, Dale A. Freeman, and a daughter, Mrs. Florence Kitchener, both of San Francisco.

Services will be held at the Roseburg Undertaking company parlors at 2 p. m. Monday, conducted by the Rev. M. H. Roach, after which the body will be taken to Portland Tuesday for concluding services in Rose City cemetery.

### Olalla Thefts Cleared By Youth's Statement

Deputy Sheriff Bud Carter reported today that recent burglaries at Olalla had been cleared by the statement of a 13-year-old boy who had admitted the thefts. The latest burglary was committed at the Goldie Walker residence, from which a rifle, watch and tools were taken. The youngster, the sheriff said, has been placed in charge of the juvenile court. In keeping with usual policy, he was not identified.

### LOCAL NEWS

**Sent to Camp Roberts**—Harvey Epstein, Jr., son of County Surveyor and Mrs. H. L. Epstein has been called into active duty with the U. S. army and is now at Camp Roberts, Calif. He held a commission as second lieutenant in the infantry reserve.

### Fire Near Reedsport Takes Life of Woman

REEDSPORT, Ore., April 18.—(AP)—Funeral services for Mrs. William Bell, fatally burned Thursday, will be held Monday at Mohawk Lane county.

Mrs. Bell's dress caught fire from a wood stove at the Albertson logging camp.

### Restrictions on New Autos May Be Eased

WASHINGTON, April 18.—(AP)—Price Administrator Leon Henderson was disclosed today to have said action was being taken to ease the regulations "on the purchase of new cars" so that dealers will sell something like their quotas in the near future.

In a letter to Rep. Woodrum

### Laval Takes Reins of Vichy to Help Nazis

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the Germans, the announcement said.

A public German notice said hand grenades were thrown into a German office in the center of the city. It did not specify the damage caused but set an 8 p. m. curfew throughout the Arras region.

Public establishments were ordered to close at 7 p. m. The German commander reserved the right to take "further measures as soon as punishment is decided."

Reports reaching Vichy today said a German non-commissioned officer at Bordeaux had been stabbed to death by the husband of a French woman, apparently in family argument heightened by jealousy.

### LAVAL MAY STRIKE AT FREE FRENCH CONTROL

WASHINGTON, April 18.—(AP)—Informed sources expressed fears today that Vichy Premier Laval might launch a military campaign to wrest Syria or French Equatorial Africa—a vital link in the American bomber ferry line to the middle east—from the Free French.

The collaborationist premier was thought to be considering some such gamble with French armies and warships to get the jump on opponents within France, who already were reported planning to unseat him. Reliable informants said Laval was now prepared to go the limit in forcing the French people to collaborate with the Nazis.

### S. Umpqua Falls CCC Receives 101 Recruits

South Umpqua Falls CCC camp has received 101 new recruits, who come principally from southeastern states, V. V. Harpam, supervisor of the Umpqua national forest, reported today.

The new contingent brings the total strength of the company to approximately 200 men, but about 40 soon will be lost through expiration of terms of enlistment. The company is located temporarily at Medford, engaged in improvement work on the Medford airport, but will soon be returned to the South Umpqua Falls camp, it is expected.

### Truck Little Damaged By Explosion and Fire

The fire department was called this morning to extinguish a fire which started in a farm truck parked near the Douglas hotel. Gasoline from the filling pipe to the tank under the front seat apparently had spilled on the upholstery, and when the driver struck a match to light a cigarette, there were sufficient fumes in the cab to cause a minor explosion and fire. The blaze was extinguished before the arrival of the fire department, and little damage was caused.

### U. S. Planes Bomb Tokyo, Three Other Jap Cities

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plainly discernible.

This would mean that the planes were flown by United States army or navy fliers, and were not merely American-made planes flown by Chinese or other allied pilots.

The destructive hail of fire and explosive bombs and fear of the raiders' deadly cargoes set air-raid alarms ringing across more than 800 miles of the island empire.

Striking widely over the island empire, the raiders pounded Kobe, a seaport of 1,200,000 which lies 376 miles below Tokyo, and the manufacturing center of Nagoya (1,400,000), while air-raid warnings shrieked in several other regions of Honshu, the main island of the Japanese archipelago.

**Claim Plane Carrier Sunk**

A German radio broadcast said that "according to an unconfirmed report in Tokyo an American aircraft carrier was sunk off the east coast of Japan today."

This was the only axis report to hint at the possible origin of the raiders. Axis reports frequently give exaggerated or erroneous accounts of Japanese claims, however, in a search for information.

Conceivably, the raiders could have struck from the China mainland, from Vladivostok in Russian Siberia across the narrow sea of Japan, or even from the Aleutian islands of Alaska. There has been no indication, however, that Russia had become involved with her old enemy.

**Raid Elates British**

The Berlin radio said fire of unannounced origin destroyed more than 400 buildings and inflicted severe casualties in Oguni, in northern Japan, but it was not known whether the fire had any connection with the raids.

News of the attack, the first direct punch at Japan since her treacherous attack on Pearl harbor 19 weeks ago tomorrow, caused great jubilation in England. London newspapers splash-

### No. 1 Mother, '42



To Mrs. William N. Vize, Greensboro, N. C., goes the honor of being named "The American Mother of 1942" by the Golden Rule Foundation. The mother of 13 children, Mrs. Vize has helped her husband build a profitable coal business.

ed the story across their front pages.

"And now Tokyo—noon raid by allied planes!" said a two-line banner in Lord Beaverbrook's Evening Standard.

### First U. S. Flier to Bomb Tokyo to Get \$1,415

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be bombed shortly."

Rep. Vinson (D.-Ga.), chairman of the naval committee, elated by the report of the aerial attacks, declared that "it appears to me that the allied nations are beginning to take the offensive."

Other congressional comment included:

House Majority Leader McCormack (D.-Mass.)—"It was only a matter of time when our forces would take the offensive. From now on Japan can expect to be on the receiving end. Our men of the navy and air force have done a wonderful job to date under trying difficulties confronting them.

We can rely on the army when it meets the enemy."

Rep. Snyder (D.-Pa.), chairman of a house appropriations subcommittee on war expenditures—"This will prove TNT in boosting morale, not only at home but especially in China and Russia. The great masses in Russia will have foundation to believe that they won't have to fear an attack to their rear while they are battling the Germans. I predicted in January that Tokyo would be

bombed before May 1, and I now predict that it will be bombed from many quarters by July 1."

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**War Order Limits Telephone Installations**

To conserve further the materials essential to the war effort, the War Production Board has ordered the telephone industry to limit installations of both subscribers' and central office equipment as well as cables and wire lines.

Subject to future orders by the War Production Board, telephones now in service will not be affected unless customers move or desire rearrangements or changes in their existing equipment.

Some of the important restrictions are:

- EXTENSION TELEPHONES** may not be installed in residences unless required for public health, welfare or security.
- TELEPHONES** may not be changed from wall and desk types to handsets.
- PARTY LINES** will be installed where sharing of lines will conserve scarce and critical materials.
- SWITCHBOARDS** in business establishments may not be converted from manual to dial.

In compliance with the order of the War Production Board, we are doing our utmost to conserve vital war materials and to meet the requirements of the order with the least inconvenience to our customers.

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