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Invasion Is
Costly fighting
Your Boy Gives
100 per cent
How about your
bond buying?

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NATIONAL DRAFT PROPOSAL SIDETRACKED INDEFINITELY

House Group Blocks Move Of Roosevelt

Compromise Fails on
Subsidy Issue, Fight on
Senate Floor Probable

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's recommendation for national service legislation got a setback on Capitol Hill today when the house military committee voted to sidetrack it indefinitely.

In some legislative quarters, this step just a week after the White House recommendation, was believed to foretell the end of such legislation this session.

The action, Chairman May (D-Ky.) explained after a meeting behind closed doors, does not preclude future consideration of such legislation, under which the services of most men and women would be subject to government call.

"We decided to hold it in abeyance for the time being, pending further developments," May told reporters.

The senate military committee, he explained, already has arranged for hearings on the legislation and the house group could avail itself of information gathered by that committee if it desires to consider the bill later.

Indications were, May said, that the house committee would call for hearings later to determine the need for the legislation.

Senator Bankhead said flatly today that a compromise on the subsidy issue is impossible and that "the only thing to do is to bring the problem on to the senate floor—and let the chips fall where they may."

Bankhead is a leader of the move in the senate to ban federal payments which are aimed at holding down retail food prices. Price Administrator Bowles has said that if subsidies are outlawed food costs will rise about seven per cent immediately and that this trend might lead

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

An interesting story comes from Stockholm.

It relates that the Germans, too, have a rocket-propelled fighter plane and adds that the big American air battle last week forced them to uncover it and send it into action.

They used it again against British night bombers that attacked a Messerschmidt fighter factory at Brunswick.

The new German rocket plane is said to climb 44 miles in two minutes, instead of the usual 15 minutes. Only top-notch pilots, a Stockholm dispatch continues, are able to withstand the sudden change of pressure experienced in the climb, which is described as more terrific than that undergone by dive bomber pilots.

It is also reported from Stockholm that the nazis are building a new type of automatic machine gun that continues to fire on the target after the gunner is killed or wounded.

When our new rocket-propelled plane was announced with what amounted to a brass band flourish the other day, all shrewd guessers surmised that the Germans must have something similar, or at least knew all about our new weapon.

DISCLOSURE that this nazi rocket-propelled fighter has been forced out of the wraps by our attacks on German fighter plane factories confirms something else—that is, that the Germans have been keeping a RESERVE of air power to be used

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Russian Peace Feeler Rumor Branded Insulting in London

British Press Hits
Yarn, Government
Reassures Soviet

LONDON, Jan. 18.—(AP)—The British press minced no words today in expressing indignation over Pravda's publication of a British-German "separate peace" talk rumor, the London Daily Mail denouncing it as insulting and the Manchester Guardian calling it a "slandorous accusation."

The morning papers generally displayed the story on their front pages, emphasizing that the British foreign office had issued a flat denial of the truth of the report printed in Moscow by the communist party organ. Not one London afternoon paper published the Moscow story yesterday, although there was no censorship ban.

Meanwhile, it was announced that the foreign office denial of the authenticity of the "separate peace" story has been brought to the attention of the soviet government by the British charge d'affaires in Moscow.

In the absence of any official explanation from Moscow, and in view of the wide circulation given the report yesterday by the Moscow radio, the Daily Mail said the British government "may deem it necessary in the near future to reassert in common sense their determination to abide by their agreements never to make a separate peace."

An Associated Press dispatch from Madrid said authorized Spanish sources denied last night that Nazi Foreign Minister von Ribbentrop had been in Spain and termed Pravda's "Cairo rumor" that von Ribbentrop had discussed peace with two British officials on the "Pyrenees peninsula" as ridiculous.

The Daily Mail, whose headline read: "Britain Kills 'Separate Peace' Lie," commented that "the newspaper Pravda must be remarkably ignorant of British national standards. This is the only excuse we can find for it."

"To the world at large the story carries its refutation on its face," said the Manchester Guardian, "but what is not pleasant is that such slanderous accusation against an ally should be circulated."

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Losses in Nippon Craft Upped By Allied Smashes

(By the Associated Press)

Japanese losses in planes and ships continued to mount as the hard-pressed Nipponese traded sharp aerial punches with the allies in Southwest Pacific aerial warfare.

American P-40 fighters shot down 18 and probably 20 enemy planes which attempted to deliver the heaviest attack on Saldor, allied coastal gateway to northern New Guinea, since units of the U. S. Sixth army landed there January 2.

Liberators and Mitchells unloaded 87 tons of bombs on Japanese defensive facilities back of the American invasion positions at Arawe, southwest New Britain, while South Pacific flyers pounced again on the big enemy base of Rabaul on the island's northeast tip.

Allied patrol bombers, keeping up the ceaseless campaign to blast the enemy's weakened shipping, sank a 10,000-ton vessel and left fires raging on two merchantmen in a six-ship Japanese convoy off Kavieng, New Ireland.

A Japanese small cargo ship was sunk and three others damaged by U. S. army and navy bombers in raids on the Marshall islands. The enemy's interception was described as the strongest yet encountered over any single atoll of the central Pacific chain.

Roseburg Soldier Wins Silver Star



SOMEWHERE IN AUSTRALIA—Officer Candidate Alfred D. Boyer, above at right, receives congratulations from his school commandant upon being awarded the silver star for gallantry in action at Mt. Tambu, New Guinea, July 30, 1943. Boyer, a graduate of Roseburg high school and a former member of the Oregon National Guard company in this city, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Boyer of Roseburg. He is slated for promotion from staff sergeant to 2nd lieutenant on January 25 next. His heroism was performed in rescuing comrades of a patrol detachment trapped by Japanese after he himself, as a member of the unit, had escaped unhurt amid numerous casualties.

Ex-Draft Board Official, Accused, Plunges to Death

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—(AP)—John Edward Wilson, 58, former draft board official under indictment with bribery and Gert Hans von Gontard on a charge of conspiracy to violate the selective service act, plunged to his death last night from a 14-story midtown building.

Police said Wilson, also under arrest on charges of conspiring to keep a 27-year-old restaurant owner out of the armed forces, left four notes, two to his wife, one to a friend and a fourth addressed to no one.

All related to the indictment, police added. He was to have appeared in court today. "This is the only way out," police quoted him as writing.

Wilson was indicted by a federal grand jury January 10 along with von Gontard, identified by federal officials as a grandson of the late Adolphus Busch, St. Louis brewer; Dr. Arnold A. Hutschnecker, a German refugee; Army Lieutenant Francis X. Grottano and Michael Mangano, an official of a uniform company.

The indictment charged that the men conspired "to the making of false statements as to the unfitness and no-liability" of von Gontard for selective service, and "to unlawfully, wilfully and knowingly counsel aid and abet" von Gontard to evade service.

2 Killed, 5 Hurt When Plane Hits Housetop

TUCSON, Ariz., Jan. 18.—(AP)—A B-2 Liberator, attempting a landing at Davis Monthan field, crashed off a housetop and crashed yesterday killing two and injuring five other crewmen, reported Col. C. K. Rich, commanding officer.

Russian Drives Increase Pressure On German Forces

MOSCOW, Jan. 18.—(AP)—Troops of General Vatutin's First Ukrainian army were reported closing in today on Rovno (in old Poland), key German communications center 110 miles south of Pinsk, another main objective of Vatutin's forces on the northern edge of the frozen Pripiet marshes.

Fall of Rovno, junction of the Berdichev-Warsaw and Sarny-Lwow railways, inevitably would imperil the German grip on a vast area of southern and southwestern Russia, already threatened by Vatutin's left wing driving toward the Rumanian frontier.

The five-day-old Russian offensive on the Leningrad front, meanwhile, continued to roll forward with the occupation of five additional localities north and northeast of Novosokolniki, a rail junction on the line connecting Velikie-Luki and Riga (the old Latvian capital).

(The German high command said the Russians were attacking north and northwest of Nevel, north of Lake Ilmen, south of Leningrad and south of Oranienbaum, with "growing intensity."

Berlin broadcasts said the Red army was using 250,000 men on a 250-mile-long front below Leningrad and acknowledged Russian breakthroughs.)

Fifty Cases of Whiskey Stolen From Store

PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—(AP)—Fifty cases of Scotch and bourbon whiskey were spirited away from a north Portland state liquor store over the weekend, an inventory showed today.

An attempt to burglarize another store was frustrated by two volunteer policemen.

Bridge Cost Dispute Nears Adjustment

Compromise on Split
Bill Planned by County
Court and City Council

Settlement of the dispute between the Douglas county court and the Roseburg city council, involving the county's claim of approximately \$1,500 for one-half of the cost of the Umpqua Park footbridge, is in sight, members of the council were told at the regular mid-monthly meeting last night.

Councilman Charles Wharton, chairman of the street committee, reported that a meeting had been held with the county court to discuss the matter and a tentative compromise proposal is under consideration.

Councilman Charles Snoddy contended that the county's records of the cost of the bridge are inaccurate and that the total amount claimed for the expense of rebuilding the bridge was excessive.

Mayor W. F. Harris urged that the matter be disposed of at the earliest possible date, declaring that the city had better pay the bill, even if deemed excessive, than to "remain at loggerheads" with the county court.

The court, which had withheld the \$1,500 from the road taxes due the city remitted the full amount due following rejection by the council of the discount, Recorder A. J. Geddes reported.

Fire Protection Extended.

The council at its last night's meeting authorized immediate fire protection for the emergency housing trailer camp located at the east city limits. A letter from the Federal Housing authority requested a contract for fire protection to be retroactive to January 13, proposing a monthly charge of \$15. The city attorney was instructed to prepare the contract and the fire department was notified to respond to calls from the camp, composed of 50 trailer homes and representing an investment of approximately \$90,000. A fire hydrant has been installed on the grounds, it was stated.

Only one bid was received for the city's gasoline service during

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Roseburg Set For Kick-Off Of Bond Drive

Free Army Show to Be Staged; Training Plane Buy Goal of Students

The Fourth War Loan campaign will be officially inaugurated in the Roseburg area Wednesday night with the presentation of an "All-Army" free show at Hunt's Indian theater. The theater has been donated for the occasion by the management.

Dr. Ed Boring, county chairman, repeated today the announcement the show will be absolutely free to all comers. There will be no sale of bonds. Speakers will be present to urge purchase of bonds, but there will be no direct solicitations. The only restrictions are that children must be accompanied by adults and that persons attending the first show should be present by starting time, 7 p. m., as the theater will be cleared prior to the second show at 9 o'clock. A space will be reserved for war bond salesmen at the second show.

The entertainment will be furnished by the travelling unit from Camp White, Medford, with Staff Sergeant Don Stafford as master of ceremonies. A diversified vaudeville program will be presented.

All residents of the Roseburg area are invited to attend the free show. The committee suggests that all who are able to do so attend.

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Accident Board Official Locates in Roseburg

H. Maynard Stevens, district representative of the state industrial accident commission, will move to Roseburg the last of January to establish headquarters. Stevens, who directs the industrial safety division for Douglas, Coos and Curry counties, has been stationed at Marshfield. Increased personnel in the department, coupled with the large industrial expansion in Douglas county, makes possible a full-time officer for the county and Stevens has been selected for the position. He has been serving as district representative for the past two and one-half years.

Noted Soprano Dated For First Roseburg Program Of Concert Association

By LOTUS KNIGHT PORTER

Dorothy Maynor, outstanding Negro soprano, has been announced as the artist to appear on the Community Concert association's first program to be presented in Roseburg. The date is the evening of January 29. Miss Maynor is acclaimed by critics as having one of the greatest voices of the day.

The concert association opened its membership campaign at a 6:30 o'clock dinner in the Civic club room of the Hotel Umpqua last evening with the president, Miss Gladys H. Strong, as toastmistress. Mrs. Homer W. Grow, pianist, accompanied the group singing of the national anthem, and short talks were given by W. M. Campbell, secretary; Attorney Paul Geddes and Miss Helen Casey.

David Ferguson, New York representative for Columbia Concerts, Inc., told of the success all over the United States and Canada, as well as in South Africa, of sponsoring Community Concert associations in bringing world-famed artists to their respective cities without financial setbacks.

Enthusiastic applause greeted the announcement of Miss Maynor as the first guest artist of the series of three concerts. The next two will be presented a month apart from the first.

The association membership campaign will close promptly at 2 o'clock Saturday, January 22, and no memberships will be

taken after that date. Memberships for adults are \$5.50 and \$2.20 for students, including the government tax. The association

guarantees three concerts a year. Mayor Endorses Work

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Roseburg Girl Graduated With Highest Honors



Maxine I. Howard, Roseburg, tied for top scholastic honors in a WAVE class graduated recently from the hospital corps school at the U. S. naval hospital, San Diego.

Maxine I. Howard, of Roseburg, Ore., and Catherine T. Buckley, of Philadelphia, tied for top scholastic honors in a class of 64 WAVES graduated recently from the hospital corps school at the U. S. Naval hospital, San Diego.

The Eleventh Naval district announces that Miss Howard, whose home is at 522 South Stephens street (Roseburg), has been promoted to the rating of Pharmacist's Mate Third Class and has been retained for duty at the San Diego hospital.

During one month of intensive training at the hospital corps school she studied anatomy, physiology, nursing, ward management, hygiene, sanitation, first aid, minor surgery, materia medica, and metrology. Classroom instruction was augmented by supervised practice work in the laboratories and wards.

Before entering the service, Miss Howard was a public welfare case worker. She is a graduate of Washington high school, Portland, and Reed college. Her brother, Walter I. Howard, resides at 1517 Aubrey road, Bend, Ore.

Allied Pincers on Cassino Tightens

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Jan. 18 (AP)—An American patrol crossed the Rapido river north of Cassino and probed the nazis' strong "Gustav line" positions, headquarters announced today. French troops occupied Sant' Elia, three miles northeast of Cassino.

The doughboy patrol found the Germans entrenched in fortified positions 300 yards beyond the western bank of the Rapido, and withdrew across the river after a skirmish.

French forces advanced 1,000 yards to seize Sant' Elia, and also captured the hamlet of Valvori two miles farther northeast as the allies are tightened on Cassino, sentinel of the valley pathway to Rome.

Aloft, allied bombers smashed at enemy communications, and RAF Wellingtons today bombed the Pisa railway yards in bright moonlight.

U. S. bombers struck at rail lines at Prato, Pontassieve and Arezzo, between Florence and Rome, railway yards at Chivari, Viterbo and Orte, and hit docks at Anzio and rail yards at Palo.

Bombers lashed German positions in the battle area, while other planes crossed the Adriatic to bomb Sibenik harbor. A vessel was exploded in the harbor. No allied aircraft were lost.

Quota Oversubscribed By News-Review Staff

The employees of the Roseburg News-Review have already oversubscribed their Fourth War Loan quota, it was announced today by Mrs. Olive Hies, office secretary, who was made chairman of bond sales for the News-Review office and mechanical department. The bond sale will continue, however, with the hope of doubling the quota.

6,000 Quit in Zone Board's Wage Ruling

4,000 Others in Shops Affected; Plants May Be Seized by Army.

SEATTLE, Jan. 18.—(AP)—War-vital foundry production was at a standstill in nearly 79 plants today as picket lines appeared and some 6,000 Oregon and Washington members of the Molders and Foundry Workers union (AFL) went on strike in a demonstration against a regional War Labor board wage ruling.

Nell V. Pardo, secretary of the local here, said there had been no decision on terms under which the foundrymen would end the shutdown. The War Labor board regional chairman, Dr. George Bernard Noble, told interviewers to expect no action from the board while the workers remain on strike.

"There is nothing more we can do," he added. "We spent all yesterday urging union leaders to appeal their case to the national board. They declined to do, preferring to close down the industry on which many war plants in this area depend. It was a most unfortunate choice. They cannot hope to win anything."

Although Tacoma, Wash., and Portland, Ore., locals voted against the strike in the 79 affected plants, their votes were over-balanced by the heavy pro-strike votes here and at Everett, Wash.

Shops Also Affected

Leon Morel, superintendent of one of the strike-bound Seattle foundries, said "If we don't make castings, the machine shops will have to shut down, too. Virtually all the shops are behind on their orders now. For the sake of the war, the strike simply can't last. It's a terrible thing."

Doctor Noble said only President Roosevelt could order the army to reopen the plants.

A statement from the operators' organization expressed the belief that the dispute would result in a work stoppage by approximately 10,000. The additional 4,000 are employed in shops at plants where foundries also operate. Pardo said the picketing would involve the shops also.

An army official, who declined to be quoted by name, estimated that "between 20,000 and 30,000 workers would be without work in the near future, as a direct result of the strike."

The walkout at Portland affected 27 plants employing 1500. Picket lines were established peacefully and no attempts were made to go through the lines, although Portland members of the union had voted Sunday against striking.

H. W. Sprague, union business agent, explained the Portland local was pledged to follow majority action, and the votes of Washington unions put the strike motion over.

At Salem Col. Elmer V. Wooton, Oregon selective service director, said he was studying the situation, but had no comment when asked if he would cancel deferments of the strikers.

He said he would have to learn whether many had job deferments. There would be no point in taking action, if the number was small, Wooton said.

T. A. Martin, head of the production services for the Regional War Production board, said the foundry strike would threaten

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Gas Stamp 10 to Draw 3 Gallons

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—(AP)—Number 10 "A" gasoline coupons, which become valid January 22, probably will be good for three gallons each, Leo Gentner, regional administrator of the OPA said today.

"There may be a cut coming some time in the future," he said, "but I don't look for it on January 22."

He added that "if we are to effect a reduction in the use of gasoline, it will have to be through a re-examination of allowances to individuals and for off-highway use."

OPA officials from Washington will confer here with Gentner later this week regarding gasoline rationing.

Levity Fact Rant
By L. F. Reizenstein

Opinions may vary as to whether President Roosevelt will run FOR a fourth term, but it's a cinch bet that he wouldn't run FROM one.